

Network Emergency Coordinator Exercise 2012

Exercise Titan

High level overview

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- Exercise Titan will be held over two days on 19/20th September during normal working hours.
- NEC industry wide exercise.
- Test to gauge the effectiveness of an industry response to a Network Gas Supply Emergency (NGSE) affecting the National Transmission System.
- Objective of exercise is to test new emergency arrangements to introduced from 1st October 2012 as a result of full implementation of NTS Exit Reform.
- Also to test implementation of key recommendations arising from last years exercise Saffron.

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New NGSE Emergency Arrangements:

- Effective from 1st October 2012.
- Reduction of 5 stages to 4.
- NTS Emergency Interruption removed from Stage 1.
- Maximising Beach supplies, Storage and Firm Load Shedding combined in Stage 2.
- Procedure for Network Gas Supply Emergency [reference T/PM/E/1] updated to reflect new arrangements.

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- 2 day exercise testing industry response to both a Critical Transportation Constraint and a Gas Deficit Emergency.
- Industry participants will include: NEC, NEMT, DN's, Shippers, DECC, Terminal Operators.
- Exercise 'date' will be a high demand day during winter 2012/13 allowing new emergency arrangements to be tested.
- Exercise will start with an asset related issue on the NTS.
- Following actions will try to simulate as close to possible what would happen in a real emergency.
- All communications prefixed with 'Exercise Titan'.
- No changes to physical or commercial operation of network during exercise Titan.

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Importance of accurate contact information:

- FLS of greater than 25,000 therms per annum expected to be tested.
- Successful FLS dependent upon accurate customer contact details.
- Will be reporting on accuracy of contact details by Shipper.
- Will also be reporting on reasons why contacted sites refuse the request to turn off.
- Your support in ensuring up to date contact details is essential in the success of FLS.

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Further Information:

- Further information including specific actions and reporting requirements will be provided in the industry briefing pack to be issued during July.
- Or from Emergency Planning Team:
- (email - gasops.emergencyplanning@nationalgrid.com).