Cadent
Your Gas Network

Distributed Gas Information Strategy

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1. Introduction

The Distributed Gas Information Strategy has been written to provide basic information for stakeholders wishing to inject gas into Cadent's network. This document also satisfies our licence obligation to provide an adequate level of information and a satisfactory standard of service in relation to the distributed gas connections process and matters relevant to it. The scope and contents of the strategy must cover how Cadent will provide information to such users, in a form and manner tailored to their specific requirements.

The **Distributed Gas Information Strategy** outlines how and when Cadent will provide information to producers wishing to connect distributed gas to our network. It is reviewed on an annual basis, so ensure that you are using the current version, as displayed on the Cadent Biomethane website

Gas Producers - Cadent Gas Ltd

This document will explain our process for obtaining a distributed gas entry connection, our standards of service and our information provision.

Each Transporter issues a **Connection Charging Methodology** which describes the methods and principles used to derive connection charges. Cadent currently defines all distributed gas entry connections as **Sufficiently Complex Connections**. Each entry connection application is therefore subject to the Sufficiently Complex Connections process which requires feasibility and design studies to be carried out. A copy of our Connection Charging Methodology can be found on the Cadent website www.cadentgas.com.

2. Process of obtaining a Distributed Gas entry connection

The process to apply for a distributed gas connection is shown below and can also be found on the Cadent website. Gas Producers - Cadent Gas Ltd



Cadent offers the following services to anyone wishing to make a distributed gas connection:

- Dedicated project manager
- Free 'initial network capacity check' - a high-level report identifying the available network capacity and feasibility of your project
- Fixed price full capacity study known as a DAS (Detailed Analysis Study)
- Connections Agreement, Feasibility Study, Design Study and Construction Agreement, as well as physical construction if Cadent is constructing any of the infrastructure
- Network Entry Agreement

As all distributed gas entry connections are defined in our **Connections Charging methodology** as being Sufficiently Complex Connections, for each project we will quote, and on receipt of payment, carry out a design study prior to estimating the cost of constructing any equipment. Sufficiently Complex Connections are charged on the basis of anticipated cost, plus applicable overheads. Please note that the design study does not constitute an acceptance, or offer, by Cadent to enter 'distributed gas' into our network.

Cadent has introduced a **Reinforcement Assessment** process which enables stakeholders to enter an assessment window to request evaluation of potential reinforcement requirements

associated with connection requests. This process provides a structured approach for assessing network reinforcement needs and supports greater transparency and coordination with stakeholders. The applicable costs associated with undertaking a reinforcement assessment and the stages afterwards are set out within the Connections Charging Methodology. Further details and frequently asked questions of the process are outlined below and can be found on a dedicated webpage [Biomethane entry reinforcement assessment window - Cadent Gas Ltd]



3 . Standards of Service

Timescales and Standards of Service

For distributed gas connections services which cannot be provided competitively, Cadent has developed their own in-house targets, known as Voluntary Standards of Service (VSOS)

Process	VSOS
Initial Enquiry – Network capacity check	15 working days
Detailed Analysis Study (DAS)	30 working days

Correspondence

For each of the processes listed below, Cadent will send the customer written correspondence confirming the work that has been carried out.

- Initial Enquiry
- Detailed Analysis Study
- Connection Offer
- Network Entry Agreement

Reinforcement Assessment Window

Cadent aims to open Reinforcement Assessment application windows on an annual basis, providing stakeholders with regular opportunities to submit requests for reinforcement assessments. Communications will be issued in advance of each application window, setting out the relevant timelines, key milestones, and stakeholder commitments to ensure transparency throughout the process

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- RAS
- Contracts
- Reinforcement offer
- Connection offer
- Network Entry Agreement

4. Information Provision

Cadent has adopted an approach to support producers from conception to completion of their distributed gas to grid project. We proactively work with the you while you identify, develop, construct and produce your sustainable locally sourced gas project. We offer a range of services to achieve this, including:

- Providing access to our maps so that you can determine which of your proposed sites are near to a suitable main. To request access to our maps, please Email biomethaneconnections@cadentgas.com
- Providing a free Initial network capacity check
- A face-to-face or online meeting with a member of our dedicated customer engagement team to discuss project requirements and solutions

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