

# SGN Third Party Connections Briefing Note 36

(>7bar Enquiries and Requests)

## 1 Introduction

SGN shall adopt >7bar High Pressure Transmission infrastructure as per SGN publication SGN/SP/SLO-1 and SGN/SP/BIO-2.

SGN/SP/SLO-1 sets out the circumstances and Audit process under which SGN will adopt >7bar assets from a third party, referred to in SGN/SP/SLO/1 as a 'Self Lay Operator'. A version of SGN/SP/SLO/1 is included in the TPC Documents ZIP file, available from SGN.co.uk.

The purpose of the audit framework document is to provide a consistent, objective, systematic, and auditable approach to ensuring that a self-lay pipeline system is compatible with those designed and operated by SGN. Additionally, it is important to recognise that the costs associated with maintaining this compatibility, as well as the required level of safety and integrity, are enduring and will persist throughout the asset's lifespan.

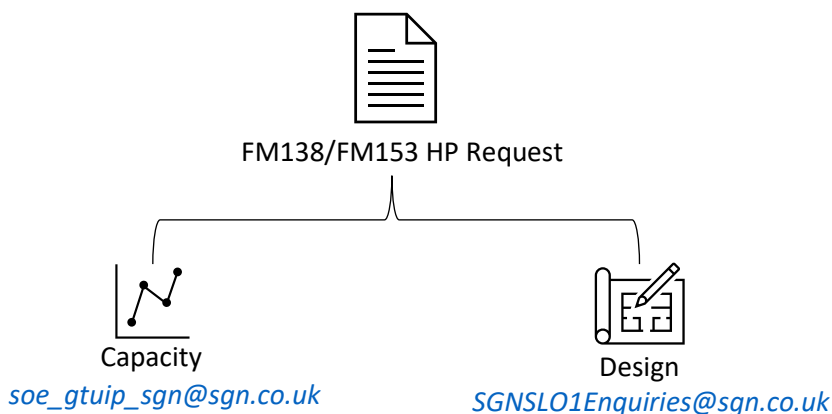
The SGN/SP/SLO-1 audit framework comprises a total of 7 phases that encompass the key stages of a self-lay project from Feasibility Study through Detail Design and Construction to Asset Acceptance.

- Phase 1: Feasibility Study
- Phase 2: Environmental Statement
- Phase 3: Conceptual Design
- Phase 4: Detail Design
- Phase 5: Construction
- Phase 6: Operational Acceptance and Commissioning
- Phase 7: Asset Acceptance

Audits may be carried out by SGN personnel, or a third party nominated by SGN. The SGN/SP/SLO-1 shall ensure their management system covers the entire scope of the works. Supporting evidence of SGN/SP/SLO-1 competency shall be demonstrated in advance to SGN.

Taking ownership of self-lay pipelines should generally not impose additional costs, risks or liabilities above those that would have been incurred had SGN constructed the pipeline. Costs associated or incurred by SGN (or by service providers employed by SGN) facilitating audit phase (1-7) shall be reimbursed through the SGN/SP/SLO-1 process.

High Pressure Requests are split into two parts, Capacity and Design:



High Pressure Requests may be subject to a NEXA and PARCA, which will be qualified in an SGN Capacity Quotation.

See SGN Briefing Notes 32 and 37 for further guidance.

## 2 Process

### 2.1 >7bar Enquiries

Pre-acceptance FM137 and FM172 >7bar Enquiries do not follow procedures outlined in SGN publication SGN/SP/SLO-1 and will be responded to like-for-like to that of a <7bar Pre-acceptance Enquiry, as outlined in SGN Third Party Connections Briefing Note 24 (*Guidance on pre-acceptance Enquiries*). >7bar High Pressure Enquiry Requests should be sent directly to [soe\\_gtuip\\_sgn@sgn.co.uk](mailto:soe_gtuip_sgn@sgn.co.uk).

### 2.2 >7bar Requests

Where Third Parties submit requests to SGN for Assets or CSEPs to be adopted under SGN/SP/SLO-1, any new assets will be constructed by the third party. There will be charges subject to who will be undertaking the Final Connection. Those charges will be identified as part of the SGN/SP/SLO-1 process.

>7bar High Pressure Connection Requests should utilise an FM138 Request form for UIP-installed asset for SGN adoption or an FM153 Request form for an iGT CSEP and be sent directly to [soe\\_gtuip\\_sgn@sgn.co.uk](mailto:soe_gtuip_sgn@sgn.co.uk).

- SGN Third Party Connections will book >7bar High Pressure Connection Requests onto the Third Party Connections main Quotation System and produce a reference number.
- >7bar LTS Analysis will be undertaken by the SGN LTS Planning Team.
- SGN Third Party Connections will produce a Capacity Quotation (*FM078 HP*) and issue to the Third Party.
- The Third Party will formally accept the Capacity Quotation, completing and returning page 4 of the FM078 HP Capacity Quotation Form.
- SGN Third Party Connections will acknowledge Acceptance and notify SGN LTS Planning and the SGN/SP/SLO-1 Team.
- The SGN/SP/SLO-1 Team will liaise directly with the Third Party in relation to Contracts, Design, Costs, Audit, requirements under SCO, requirements under GL/5 (*PS/5*) and Completion File records.
- SGN Third Party Connections will acknowledge formal adoption of Assets upon completion, as advised by the SGN SLO/1 Team.