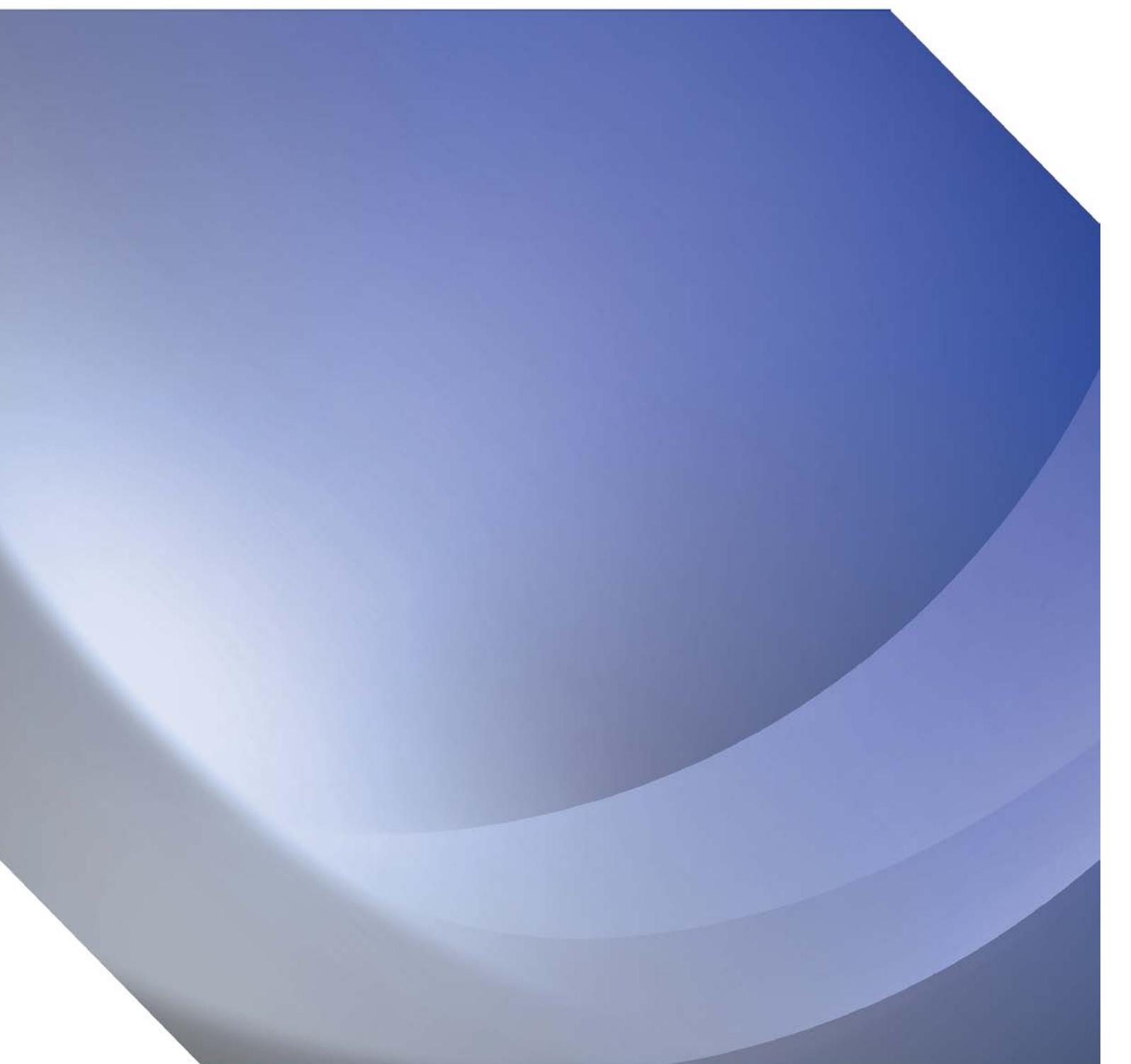


Decision on modifications to NATS (En Route) plc licence in respect of reporting of certain plans under Condition 10a

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CHAPTER 1

Introduction

Purpose of this document

- 1.1 This document sets out the CAA's decision on modifications to the air traffic services licence held by NATS (En Route) plc ("NERL"). The modifications affect the timing of the reporting of plans in respect of the United Kingdom Transition Altitude (TA) and the implementation of the terminal airspace redesign under the London Airspace Management Programme (LAMP).

The CAA's proposals and representations

- 1.2 With NERL's consent under section 11(1) of the Transport Act 2000 ("the Act") the CAA published, on 12 November 2015, proposals to modify condition 10a in NERL's licence by notice under section 11(2) of the Act¹. The effect of the proposed modifications was to modify from 31 December 2015 to 30 June 2016 the date by which NERL has to submit certain plans to the CAA in respect of TA and LAMP.
- 1.3 The CAA invited representations on its proposals by Friday 11 December 2015. A representation was received from NERL which confirmed support for the CAA's proposed modifications. No other representations were submitted.

¹ [CAP 1352 – Proposal to modify NATS \(En Route\) plc licence in respect of reporting of certain plans under Condition 10a: Notice under section 11\(2\) of the Transport Act 2000](#)

Chapter 2

The CAA's Decision

- 2.1 In the absence of any adverse comments on its proposal, the CAA has decided to modify Condition 10a with effect from 31 December 2015 as proposed in its notice of 12 November 2015 and consistent with its duties under section 2 of the Act.
- 2.2 The modifications to paragraphs 3 and 4 of Condition 10a are set out in Annex A.
- 2.3 This decision was made by the NATS Licence Management Coordination Committee of the CAA.

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ANNEX A

The following modifications to Condition 10a take effect on 31 December 2015 (emphasis added to show precise modifications)

Condition	Current text	Modified text
Condition 10a, paragraph 3	<p>In relation to the TA programme, by 31 December 2015, and without prejudice to Condition 10 of this Licence, the Licensee shall submit to the CAA a detailed project plan for implementing by 31 March 2018 a TA of 18,000 feet for the airspace that the Licensee is accountable for according to its Licence obligations (Implementation is subject to successful consultation by the CAA in relation to TA, and also any LAMP dependencies) This project plan shall include significant delivery milestones (and the dependencies associated with those milestones), and the implementation plan shall have been subject to consultation with Users. Such consultation shall, so far as is reasonably practicable, take place in the context of the Service and Investment Plan ("SIP") consultation under Condition 10, or any enhancement to that process.</p>	<p>In relation to the TA programme, by 30 June 2016, and without prejudice to Condition 10 of this Licence, the Licensee shall submit to the CAA a detailed project plan for implementing by 31 March 2018 a TA of 18,000 feet for the airspace that the Licensee is accountable for according to its Licence obligations (Implementation is subject to successful consultation by the CAA in relation to TA, and also any LAMP dependencies) This project plan shall include significant delivery milestones (and the dependencies associated with those milestones), and the implementation plan shall have been subject to consultation with Users. Such consultation shall, so far as is reasonably practicable, take place in the context of the Service and Investment Plan ("SIP") consultation under Condition 10, or any enhancement to that process.</p>

Condition	Current text	Modified text
Condition 10a, paragraph 4	<p>In relation to the LAMP programme, by 31 December 2015, and without prejudice to Condition 10 of this Licence, the Licensee shall submit to the CAA a project plan for LAMP for the period until 31 December 2019. This shall be a detailed plan for the period until 31 December 2017 and an outline plan for the period from 31 December 2017 to 31 December 2019. By 31 December 2017, a detailed plan shall be submitted to the CAA replacing the outline plan for the period to 31 December 2019. These plans shall include significant delivery milestones (and the dependencies associated with those milestones), and any implementation plans shall have been subject to consultation with Users including Airports. Such consultation shall, so far as is reasonably practicable, take place in the context of the Service and Investment Plan (“SIP”) consultation under Condition 10, or any enhancement to that process.</p>	<p>In relation to the LAMP programme, by 30 June 2016, and without prejudice to Condition 10 of this Licence, the Licensee shall submit to the CAA a project plan for LAMP for the period until 31 December 2019. This shall be a detailed plan for the period until 31 December 2017 and an outline plan for the period from 31 December 2017 to 31 December 2019. By 31 December 2017, a detailed plan shall be submitted to the CAA replacing the outline plan for the period to 31 December 2019. These plans shall include significant delivery milestones (and the dependencies associated with those milestones), and any implementation plans shall have been subject to consultation with Users including Airports. Such consultation shall, so far as is reasonably practicable, take place in the context of the Service and Investment Plan (“SIP”) consultation under Condition 10, or any enhancement to that process.</p>