

UNC Workgroup 0615S Minutes
Representation on DSC Committees: amendment to include mid-year appointment

Thursday 27 April 2017

at Elexon, 4th Floor, 350 Euston Road, London, NW1 3AW

Attendees

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| Bob Fletcher (Chair) | (BF) | Joint Office |
| Mike Berrisford (Secretary) | (MB) | Joint Office |
| Andy Clasper | (ACI) | National Grid Gas Distribution |
| Andrew Margan | (AM) | British Gas |
| Carl Whitehouse | (CWh) | first:utility |
| Chris Warner | (CW) | National Grid Gas Distribution |
| Colette Baldwin | (CB) | E.ON Energy |
| Dan Simons | (DS) | MRASCo |
| David Addison | (DA) | Xoserve |
| David Reily | (DR) | Ofgem |
| Fraser Mathieson | (FM) | Scotia Gas Networks |
| Hilary Chapman | (HC) | Scotia Gas Networks |
| John Welch | (JW) | npower |
| Kelly Docherty | (KD) | British Gas |
| Kish Nundloll | (KN) | ES Pipelines |
| Mark Jones* | (MJ) | SSE |
| Rachel Hinsley | (RH) | Xoserve |
| Richard Pomroy | (RP) | Wales & West Utilities |
| Shanna Key | (SK) | Northern Gas Networks |
| Steve Mulinganie | (SM) | Gazprom |
| Steven Britton | (SB) | Cornwall |

* via teleconference

Copies of all papers are available at: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0615/270417>

The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 15 June 2017.

1.0 Outline of Modification

Introducing the item, BF advised that the modification had been amended prior to the meeting whereupon CB confirmed that this was undertaken in response to DSC Change Management Committee feedback and the changes focus on enabling parties to step down during the year and also sees the inclusion of additional class appointments where previously there was none.

The Workgroup attention focused on the Section 5 – Solution, where CB explained that the thinking behind advocating three calendar months before the start of the next annual election cycle proposal.

BF pointed out that in essence, what the modification is proposing is a nominations process that could/would be followed by a vote mechanism should positions be oversubscribed.

Some concerns were voiced around the potential impacts associated with when a party accedes into position / class and also temporary votes being given to other parties (i.e. relinquishing inherited seats (positions) etc.) – in short, should Class A and B representatives inherit Class C voting rights, in the absence of an actual Class C nominee, they would / should relinquish these in the event that a Class C party steps forward. Thereafter, the new Class C representative would have both votes for Class C.

CB explained that the principle aim behind the modification is to make it easy for representatives to step forward and assume responsibilities of members who choose to retire, move organisation or come forward because their class was previously unrepresented.

In considering the proposed ad hoc election process, BF advised that the bulk of the estimated timeline would already be covered under the SPOC process.

When asked, CW indicated that he hoped that legal text would be provided in time for consideration at the next Workgroup meeting.

2.0 Initial Discussion

2.1. Issues and Questions from Panel

None raised.

2.2. Initial Representations

None received.

2.3. Terms of Reference

The standard UNC Workgroup Terms of Reference will apply and are available at: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/mods>

3.0 Next Steps

BF confirmed that at the next Workgroup meeting the main aim would be to consider and sign off the legal text and complete the Workgroup Report.

4.0 Any Other Business

None.

5.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary

Workgroup meetings will take place as follows:

| Time/Date | Venue | Workgroup Programme |
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| 10:30 Thursday 25 May 2017 | Consort House, 6 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3QQ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard Agenda items • <i>Consideration of legal text</i> • <i>Completion of Workgroup Report</i> |