

UNC Workgroup 0628S Minutes
Standard Design Connections: PARCA process
Thursday 04 January 2018
at Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW

Attendees		
Chris Shanley	(CS)	Chair
Karen Visgarda	(KV)	Secretary
Andrew Pearce	(AP)	BP
Anna Shrigley	(AS)	Eni Trading & Shipping
Charles Ruffell	(CR)	RWE
Elvan Akkaya*	(EA)	South Hook LNG
Gerry Hoggan	(GH)	ScottishPower
Graham Jack	(GJ)	Centrica
Jeff Chandler	(JC)	SSE
John Costa	(JC)	EDF Energy
Jon Dutton	(JD)	National Grid NTS
Julie Cox*	(JCx)	Energy UK
Liam Drummond-Clark	(LDC)	Ofgem
Matthew Hatch	(MH)	National Grid NTS
Nick King	(NK)	CGN Services
Nicola Lond	(NL)	National Grid NTS
Paul Orsler	(PO)	Xoserve
Phil Hobbins	(PH)	National Grid NTS
Richard Fairholme	(RF)	Uniper
Rowan Hazell*	(RH)	Cornwall Insight
Shiv Singh	(SS)	Cadent
Sinead Obeng	(SO)	South Hook Gas
Terry Burke	(TB)	Statoil
*via teleconference		

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1. Introduction and Status Review

1.1 Minutes from 07 December 2017 were approved

2. Development of Workgroup Report

NL provided an overview of the Customer Low Cost Connections (CLoCC) project, summarising the background of the CLoCC project and explaining that the principle of the modification was to provide an accelerated route through the PARCA Phase 1 process for a capacity quantity consistent with a Standard Design (where National Grid NTS has identified that capacity is currently available).

She then confirmed that the key focus for today was to determine the appropriate fee that can be charged to reflect the reduced time required for an accelerated route. In response to a

question about the current process NL confirmed that fees would be reconciled to actual costs. NL then explained that National Grid NTS recognised the fact that fixed fees did have pros and cons.

She explained that the Activity Based Costing process in order to derive the fees was scheduled to be completed before the February Transmission Workgroup, where she would provide a further update. JCx questioned how any National Grid NTS profit or loss in relation to these fees would be treated, and NL said she would investigate this matter further.

New Action 0101: National Grid NTS (NL) to investigate how any profit or loss would be managed by National Grid NTS in relation to how the fees would be treated.

NK wanted more details on the outlay in relation to the fees, as he proposed that these should be as low as possible in order to assist the smaller players. He said perhaps an initial fee could be considered with a later top-up element, which would help to facilitate this.

NL then summarised a one page document that showed all the different routes available for customers to obtain non-obligated entry and exit capacity, and this was received in a positive manner. JCo wanted to know how often National Grid NTS had accepted or declined non-obligated capacity requests in the past and NL said she would look into this matter and provide feedback at the next meeting.

New Action 0102: National Grid NTS (NL) to provide information on how often National Grid NTS had accepted or declined non-obligated capacity requests in the past.

3. Review of Outstanding Actions

Action 1101: *Reference the PARCA Application Fee* - National Grid NTS (NL) to look to identify the high-level routes for obtaining capacity and where these (0628S) new proposals reside in the overall picture, including any potential costs and timescales.

Update: NL confirmed this information had been supplied/published and discussed in the meeting, so this action could now be closed. **Closed**

Action 1201: NL to flag additional routes and information that needs to be available to customers.

Update: NL confirmed this type of information would be shared with current projects and new projects and it was agreed that the action could now be closed. **Closed**

4. Next Steps

CSh said his expectations for the next meeting would be focused on any changes to the solution (based on discussions to date) and the development of the Workgroup Report.

5. Any Other Business

None.

6. Diary Planning

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

Time/Date	Location
10:00, Thursday 01 February 2018	Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW
10:00, Thursday 01 March 2018	Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW

Action Table (as at 04 January 2018)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
1101	02/11/17	2.1	<i>Reference the PARCA Application Fee - National Grid NTS (NL) to look to identify the high-level routes for obtaining capacity and where these (0628S) new proposals reside in the overall picture, including any potential costs and timescales.</i>	National Grid NTS (NL)	Closed
1201	07/12/17	1.2	NL to flag additional routes and information that needs to be available to customers	National Grid NTS (NL)	Closed
0101	04/01/18	2.0	National Grid NTS (NL) to investigate how any profit of loss would be managed by National Grid NTS in relation to how the fees would be treated.	National Grid NTS	Pending
0102	04/01/18	2.0	National Grid NTS (NL) to provide information on how often National Grid NTS had accepted or declined non-obligated capacity requests in the past.	National Grid NTS (NL)	Pending