

**UNC Workgroup 0704S Minutes
Review of Transporter Theft Reporting**

Thursday 24 October 2019

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

Attendees

Alan Raper (Chair)	(AR)	Joint Office
Helen Bennet (Secretary)	(HB)	Joint Office
Lorraine O'Shaughnessy	(LO)	Joint Office
Maitrayee Bhowmick-Jewkes	(MBJ)	Joint Office
Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
David Mitchell	(DM)	SGN
Ellie Rogers	(ER)	Xoserve
Gurvinder Dosanjh	(GD)	Cadent
Kirsty Dudley	(KD)	E.ON
Lorna Lewin*	(LL)	Orsted
Louise Hellyar	(LH)	Total Gas & Power
Megan Coventry*	(MC)	SSE
Mark Jones*	(MJ)	SSE
Oorlagh Chapman*	(OC)	British Gas
Steve Mulinganie	(SM)	Gazprom
Richard Pomroy	(RP)	Wales & West Utilities
Sally Hardman	(SH)	SGN
Stephanie Clements	(SC)	Scottish Power
Steve Britton*	(SB)	Cornwall Insights
Tracey Saunders	(TS)	Northern Gas Networks
John Cooper	(JC)	Energy UK

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The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 16 April 2020.

1.0 Outline of Modification

David Mitchell (DM) introduced the Modification. This follows from a joint Workgroup reviewing Shipper and Supplier Theft of Gas Reporting Arrangements (0677R); this Modification will concentrate on Transporter investigated Theft of Gas. The most extensive reporting obligation for theft is currently made via SPAA and Transporters are proposing to rationalise similar obligation for themselves under the UNC.

The 0677R Workgroup reviewed the current obligations on theft of gas reporting and have identified which of these need to be considered further under this Modification. DM commented that a number of definitions would benefit from rewording and proceeded to show the Workgroup the proposed amendments.

Kirsty Dudley (KD) commented that she would like the proposer to ensure that this Modification is 'future proofed'. Everything regarding theft of gas in the industry is currently held under SPAA Schedule 33; taking out the entire piece on Transporter theft reporting obligations could be counterproductive to the industry's current efforts in consolidating works and codes. She also wants to make sure modelling is accurate, i.e. the Modification accurately captures what is being reported, how it is being reported etc. Andy Clasper (AC) agreed with this view.

Steve Mulinganie (SM) stated that he would ideally like the Modification to clearly explain the calculation of energy for reporting purposes as incorrect calculations would reduce shrinkage. If any figures are published, he would also like to know the source of the figures and how they have been used.

When DM advised that this may be difficult to resolve, SM suggested that there are rules around this in the retail market which Transporters can adapt. However, AC advised Transporters too had a scheme to follow as to how calculations are made as they need to justify these to their consumers. This was accepted by SM.

KD highlighted that currently there appears that there is more than one change regarding theft in the industry spread out over different codes, with slightly different topics. She reiterated that a disparate approach could confuse matters and an aspiration should be to provide a consolidated cross code suite of Modifications.

Alan Raper (AR) asked the Workgroup to review if there were any other external factors to note for this Modification and it was remarked that the Modification may be ready for reporting back to Panel in early 2020, ahead of the April deadline. The Workgroup was also asked to check if the Modification needed to be flagged to Ofgem to review whether there would be an impact on the Switching SCR and it was agreed that it was not required.

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 is available at <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/mods>

3.0 Next Steps

AR confirmed that DM would take away the comments raised and redraft the Modification with progress to be reviewed at the next Workgroup. The aim would be to produce a Workgroup Report in December to present to Panel in early 2020.

4.0 Any Other Business

None.

5.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month>

Workgroup meetings will take place as follows:

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:30 Friday 28 November 2019	Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull B91 2AA	Distribution Workgroup standard Agenda

Action Table (as at 24 October 2019)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
			No outstanding actions.		