

UNC Workgroup 0400 Minutes
Removal of obligation to install duplicate Telemetry
Equipment

Tuesday 18 October 2011
at 31 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3LT

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HC)	Joint Office
Alison Chamberlain	(AC)	National Grid Distribution
Bethan Winter	(BW)	Wales & West Utilities
Dave Adlam	(DA)	National Grid Distribution
Dave Corby	(DC)	National Grid NTS
Helga Clarke	(HC)	National Grid NTS
Jeanette Gregory	(JG)	National Grid Distribution
Keith Dixon	(KD)	Northern Gas Networks
Keith Gilmour	(KG)	National Grid NTS
Mark Amos	(MA)	National Grid NTS
Mark Lyndon	(ML)	National Grid NTS
Mike Wassell	(MW)	National Grid NTS
Phil Hobbins	(PH)	National Grid NTS
Rob Cameron-Higgs	(RCH)	Wales & West Utilities

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1.0 Introduction

BF introduced the Workgroup.

2.0 Outline of Modification and initial discussion

DC introduced the modification, explaining the background and intent. He explained that the intention of NTS following SOMSA was to install their own equipment, however the installation of equipment/out-stations is questionable when the existing equipment could be used until the end of its life.

He explained the solution to install equipment only in certain circumstance to ensure the efficient use of existing equipment and to save reconfiguring sites. Where equipment would not be required the DN equipment could record the information and use the SCADA link to provide the information to NTS – this would present a significant saving to the industry.

BW asked National Grid NTS to recognise that DNs would need to configure systems to provide data to NTS and this would require additional administration and possibly longer notice periods. KG was aware there maybe some operational costs, BW recognised this would still cheaper than installing new equipment. It was agreed that notifications would need to be considered. DC would welcome an impact assessment for inclusion within the report.

New Action 0001: DNs to consider the modifications impact for inclusion into the Workgroup Report.

New Action 0002: NTS to provide a list of relevant Offtakes to each DN.

The Draft legal was expected in time for the November meeting.

3.0 Consider Terms of Reference

No further comments were received on the Terms of Reference.

4.0 Any Other Business

None raised.

5.0 Diary Planning for Review Group

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

The next meeting of the Workgroup will take place within the business proceedings of the Offtake Arrangement Workgroup, on 29 November 2011, 31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT.

ACTION LOG – Workgroup 0400

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0001	18/10/11	2.0	DNs to consider the modifications impact for inclusion into the Workgroup Report.	All DNs	Pending
0002	18/10/11	2.0	NTS to provide a list of relevant Offtakes to each DN.	National Grid NTS	Pending