

## Transmission Workgroup Minutes

Thursday 05 June 2014

Energy Networks Association, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF

### Attendees

Les Jenkins (Chair)	(LJ)	Joint Office
Lorna Dupont (Secretary)	(LD)	Joint Office
Andy Heppel	(AH)	TGPP Ltd
Anjela Maharajah	(AM)	RWE
Anna Shrigley	(AS)	ENI
Antonio Ciavoletta	(AC)	BP Gas
Charles Ruffell	(CR)	RWEst
David Reilly	(DRe)	Ofgem
Dennis Rachwal	(DRa)	National Grid NTS
Francisco Goncalves	(FG)	Gazprom
Gerry Hoggan	(GH)	ScottishPower
Graham Jack	(GJ)	Centrica
Isabelle-Agnes Magne*	(IAM)	GDF Suez
Jeff Chandler	(JC)	SSE
Julie Cox	(JCx)	Energy UK
Kirsten Elliott-Smith	(KES)	Cornwall Energy
Marshall Hall	(MH)	Oil & Gas UK
Natasha Austin	(NA)	Poyry Consulting
Natasha Ranatunga	(NR)	EDF Energy
Nick Wye	(NW)	Waters Wye Associates
Ric Lea*	(RL)	Gazprom
Richard Fairholme*	(RF)	E.ON UK
Ricky Hill	(RH)	Centrica

\*via teleconference

Copies of papers are available at: [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/tx/050614](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/tx/050614)

## 1. Introduction and Status Review

### 1.1 Review of Minutes and Actions from the previous meeting (01 May 2014)

#### 1.1.1 Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

#### 1.1.2 Actions

**TR0501:** Establish whether permit arrangements might be reconsidered once decisions have been reached on the PARCA arrangements.

**Update:** DRe reported that this is still under consideration. **Carried forward**

**TR0502:** *Charging Information* - Provide a list/details of the current charging information provision/links for publication ahead of the NTS CMF meeting on 19 May 2014 (at [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/ntscmf/190514](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/ntscmf/190514))

**Update:** Complete. **Closed**

## 1.2 Review of Live Modifications not covered elsewhere on the agenda

The Modifications Register is at: [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/mods](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/mods).

**0452V** and **0465V** – With Ofgem for decision.

**0454** – With Ofgem for decision.

**0485** – Workgroup Report to be submitted to June Panel.

**0489** - Workgroup Report to be submitted to June Panel.

**0494** - Workgroup Report to be submitted to June Panel.

**0493** – Next meeting 11 July 2014.

**0500** – Next meeting 11 July 2014.

**0501** - Next meeting 11 July 2014.

**0504** – Noting that, for expediency, this was ahead of its presentation to the Modification Panel on 19 June, LJ confirmed that a meeting had been arranged for 02 July 2014; concerns were expressed that a number of Shippers may not be able to attend on this date and an alternative might be preferred. DRa noted these concerns for consideration.

## 1.3 Ofgem Update

DR provided a general update as follows:

- **Stakeholder Engagement Panel Members 2013-14.** The Stakeholder Engagement Incentive is intended to encourage network companies to engage effectively with a wide range of stakeholders to inform how they plan and run their businesses. This page holds information in relation to the 2013-14 Stakeholder Panel members and can be found at the following location on the Ofgem website: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/ofgem-publications/87874/sepanelmembers2013-14.pdf>
- **Scotia Gas Network's decision to proceed with alternative LNG as the short term solution for supplying the Statutory Independent Undertakings (SIUs).** The additional cost of supplying LNG to the SIUs is recovered through a charge levied by National Grid Gas Transmission on all shippers and then passed on from NGG to Scotia Gas Networks (SGN). The letter acknowledging Scotia Gas Network's decision to proceed with alternative LNG as the short term solution for supplying the Statutory Independent Undertakings can be found at the following location on the Ofgem website: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/ofgem-publications/87824/siusolutionlettertosgn19may2014.pdf>

Observing that this had been an ongoing issue for the past seven years, NR asked how short-term was the 'short-term' solution. In the absence of any alternatives, it was conceded that this was a less expensive solution than laying pipe.

- **Uniform Network Code (UNC) 491: Change Implementation Date of Project Nexus to 1 April 2016.** UNC491 sought to delay the implementation of Project Nexus until 1 April 2016 or such other later date as may be determined by the Uniform Network Code Committee (UNCC). The decision to reject this proposal can be found at the following location on the Ofgem website: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/ofgem-publications/87795/unc491final.pdf>
- **Modification/Amendments with Ofgem for Decision – Indicative timetable.** The table giving the indicative decision dates, and names of Ofgem experts, for code modification/amendment proposals that are with Ofgem for decision can be found at the following location on the Ofgem website: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/ofgem-publications/86423/indicativedecisiondatesformodificationwithofgem.pdf>

JCx commented that this document was not updated very frequently; referring to the entries for the PARCA modifications, a decision on these very soon would be welcomed.

- **Literature Review - Gas Transmission Charging Review.** A literature review was commissioned as part of the Gas Transmission Charging Review, to explore aspects of revenue recovery and network charging principles in more detail. The document can be found at the following location on the Ofgem website: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/ofgem-publications/87516/gtcrliteraturereviewfinalreport.pdf>
- **Decision on changes to the Stakeholder Engagement Incentive Guidance document.** The document outlining our decision to modify Stakeholder Engagement Incentive Guidance Document can be found at the following location on the Ofgem website: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/ofgem-publications/87488/decisiononchangestotheseguidancedocumentv2.pdf>

#### 1.4 Pre Modification Discussions Update

None for consideration.

## 2. Workgroups

### 2.1 Combined Workgroup: 0498 and 0502 – Amendment to Gas Quality NTS Entry Specification at BP Teesside System Entry Point

Minutes available at [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0498/050614](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0498/050614)

## 3. Issues

### 3.1 New Issues

No new issues raised.

## 4. Any Other Business

### 4.1 Late Meeting Papers

NR thanked those providing meeting papers for the more timely submission in advance of this meeting and said that this was much appreciated by meeting participants.

### 4.2 IAD Stakeholder Engagement

JCx commented that parties had been contacted an inordinate number of times, but still with no indication on how/when engagement will actually commence. DRa thanked JCx for her feedback and will communicate this internally.

### 4.3 Network Flexibility Project

JCx commented that there had been no indication on how/when engagement will actually commence. DRa thanked JCx for her feedback and will communicate this internally.

## 5. Diary Planning

These meetings will immediately follow the proceedings of the UNC European Workgroup.

Date	Location
Thursday 03 July 2014	ENA, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF
Thursday 07 August 2014	ENA, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF
Thursday 04 September 2014	ENA, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF
Thursday 02 October 2014	ENA, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF
Thursday 06 November 2014	ENA, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF
Thursday 04 December 2014	ENA, 6 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF

### Action Table – UNC Transmission Workgroup: 05 June 2014

Action Ref	Meeting Date(s)	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
TR0501	01/05/14	1.3	Establish whether permit arrangements might be reconsidered once decisions have been reached on the PARCA arrangements.	Ofgem (DRe)	Carried forward
TR0502	01/05/14	4.2	<i>Charging Information</i> - Provide a list/details of the current charging information provision/links for publication ahead of the NTS CMF meeting on 19 May 2014 (at <a href="http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/ntscmf/190514">www.gasgovernance.co.uk/ntscmf/190514</a> )	National Grid NTS (CW)	Closed