

Record of Determinations: Panel Meeting 16 April 2015

Modification	Vote Outcome	Shipper Voting Members					Transporter Voting Members					Consumer Member	Determination Sought	
		AG	AM	SM	PB	CB	CW	EM	JF	FH	RP	CA		
0527 - Implementation of Annual Quantity arrangements (Project Nexus transitional modification)	Proceed to Consultation - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should DMR be Issued to Consultation (includes a deemed Text request)
	Legal text not required - unanimous vote against	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Is further legal text required for inclusion in DMR
	Cost estimate not required - unanimous vote against	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Is a cost estimate required for inclusion in DMR
	Consultation to close out on 12 May 2015 - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should Consultation end on 12 May 2015
0528 - Implementation of Supply Point Administration, gas allocation and settlement arrangements (Project Nexus transitional modification)	Proceed to Consultation - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should DMR be Issued to Consultation (includes a deemed Text request)
	Legal text not required - unanimous vote against	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Is further legal text required for inclusion in DMR
	Cost estimate not required - unanimous vote against	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Is a cost estimate required for inclusion in DMR
	Consultation to close out on 12 May 2015 - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should Consultation end on 12 May 2015
0533S - Corrections to Network Entry Provisions in the National Grid NTS-BBL Interconnection Agreement)	Proceed to Consultation - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should DMR be Issued to Consultation
	Consultation to close out on 11 May 2015 - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should Consultation end on 11 May 2015
0523S - Supply Point Registration – Facilitation of 'faster switching' for Shared Supply Meter Points	Workgroup to report by July 2015 Panel - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Extend Workgroup reporting date to July 2015 Panel

0531 - Provision and Development of Industry Testing Prior	Workgroup to report by June 2015 Panel - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Extend Workgroup reporting date to June 2015 Panel
0535 - Implementation of Non Effective Days to enable Annual AQ Review (independent of Nexus transition)	Legal Text requested - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Request Legal Text
Modification 0501 0501A 0501B 0501C - Treatment of Existing Entry Capacity Rights at the Bacton ASEP to comply with EU Capacity Regulations etc.	Issued to Workgroup 0501 - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Refer to Workgroup 0501 for further assessment
	Workgroup 0501 to report by the May 2015 Panel - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Workgroup to report by the May 2015 Panel

In favour	Not in Favour	No Vote Cast	Not Present	
✓	X	NV	NP	

UNC Modification Panel

Minutes of the 174th Meeting held on Thursday 16 April 2015 via teleconference

Attendees

Voting Members:

Shipper Representatives	Transporter Representatives	Consumer Representative
A Green (AG), Total P Broom (PB), GDF Suez R Fairholme (RF), E.ON UK S Mulinganie (SM), Gazprom S Trivella (ST), British Gas	C Warner (CW), National Grid Distribution E Melen (EM), Scotia Gas Networks J Ferguson (JF), Northern Gas Networks R Pomroy (RP), Wales & West Utilities F Healy (FH), National Grid NTS	C Alexander (CA), Citizens Advice

Non-Voting Members:

Chairman	Ofgem Representative
A Plant (AP), Chair	A Rooney (ARo), Ofgem

Also in Attendance:

H Chapman (HC), Xoserve; K Elliott-Smith (KES), Cornwall Energy; L Jenkins (LJ), Joint Office and R Fletcher (RF), Secretary.

Record of Discussions

174.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting

R Pomroy for S Edwards (Wales & West Utilities)

S Trivella for A Margan (British Gas)

174.2 Record of Apologies for absence

A Margan and S Edwards

174.3 Minutes and Actions of the Last Meeting(s)

Members approved the minutes from the previous meeting (19 March 2015).

174.4 Consider New Non-Urgent Modifications

There were no new modifications for consideration.

174.5 Consider Workgroup Issues

Workgroup Reports for Consideration

- a) Modification 0518S - Shipper Verification of meter and address details following system meter removals

EM advised that a number of questions had arisen due to issues identified in the legal text and the reporting process to be adopted. Members agreed it would be beneficial if these issues were discussed at workgroup before Panel considered the Workgroup Report.

The item was withdrawn from the agenda as the Workgroup is not due to report until June Panel.

- b) Modification 0527 - Implementation of Annual Quantity arrangements (Project Nexus transitional modification)

Members accepted the recommendations within the Workgroup Report.

CW confirmed that the legal text provided with the Workgroup report was suitable for inclusion in the Draft Modification Report.

Members then determined that Modification 0527:

- Should proceed to Consultation;
- Further legal text is not required for inclusion in the draft Modification Report;
- A cost estimate is not required for inclusion in the draft Modification Report; and

- Consultation should close on 12 May 2015.

c) Modification 0528 - Implementation of Supply Point Administration, gas allocation and settlement arrangements (Project Nexus transitional modification)

Members accepted the recommendations within the Workgroup Report.

CW confirmed that the legal text provided with the Workgroup report was suitable for inclusion in the Draft Modification Report.

Members then determined that Modification 0528:

- Should proceed to Consultation;
- Further legal text is not required for inclusion in the draft Modification Report;
- A cost estimate is not required for inclusion in the draft Modification Report; and
- Consultation should close on 12 May 2015.

d) Modification 0533S - Corrections to Network Entry Provisions in the National Grid NTS-BBL Interconnection Agreement

Members accepted the recommendations within the Workgroup Report.

FH confirmed that legal text is not required for inclusion in the Draft Modification Report as this is a facilitating modification and there are no changes proposed to the UNC.

Members then determined that Modification 0533S:

- Should proceed to Consultation; and
- Consultation should close on 11 May 2015.

Consideration of Workgroup Reporting Dates and Legal Text Requests:

Members determined unanimously to extend the following Workgroup reporting dates:

Workgroup	Reporting Date
0523S - Supply Point Registration – Facilitation of ‘faster switching’ for Shared Supply Meter Points	July 2015
0531 - Provision and Development of Industry Testing Prior to Nexus Go-live	June 2015

Members determined unanimously to request Legal text for the following modifications:

Modification
0535 - Implementation of Non Effective Days to enable Annual AQ Review (independent of Nexus transition)

174.6 Final Modification Reports

- a) 0501 0501A 0501B 0501C - Treatment of Existing Entry Capacity Rights at the Bacton ASEP to comply with EU Capacity Regulations

AP asked members to note that Ofgem had written to Panel requesting an amended Final Modification Report. LJ had published an indicative timeline to meet the Ofgem timeline and members offered no further questions.

Members then determined that:

- Modifications 0501 0501A 0501B 0501C be issued to Workgroup 0501 for further assessment with a report presented by the May 2015 Panel.

174.7 Any Other Business

- a) Ofgem Letter Industry data quality, ownership and governance

AP explained that Ofgem had written to industry Panels requesting that they cooperate and lead a dual fuel workgroup to investigate a number of the report recommendations from the previous years Data Quality workgroups. One of the main areas of focus would be consideration of the use of UPRN and that this was linked to Modification 0468 - Unique Property Reference Number (UPRN) Population by Gas Transporters.

LJ advised that the proposer of Modification 0468 had advised that they had contacted Ofgem and they were content that development of the modification could continue in parallel with the dual fuel group and possibly conclude earlier. The proposers aim is to provide business rules, which should allow completion of the Workgroup Report for the May Panel.

Members supported the establishment of a dual fuel working group although the workgroup should be chaired either by Ofgem or an independent chair appointed by Ofgem. Comments were provided on the blank sections of the proposed Terms of Reference below:

- b) Draft Terms of Reference for Industry data quality, ownership and governance group

AP advised that Ofgem had provided draft terms of reference for the proposed dual fuel working group.

LJ explained that Ofgem had requested comments on the sections that

were blank as follows:

Governance – JF felt that it would be beneficial if the SMART metering model was used, with Ofgem leading the group to provide the strategic lead and once the detail is established and the specific changes identified, the industry Panels would be involved to implement the requirements. CA agreed with this view and advised that these points had been discussed at the BSC Panel, where it had been suggested that Ofgem could nominate an independent chair for the workgroup. JF agreed this would be consistent with other similar working groups although the main point should be strong leadership/direction from a party who is not centric to a particular fuel.

Membership – Some were of the opinion that Panels could nominate representatives. However, SM was concerned that no party who has a legitimate interest should be excluded from meetings. CA would like to see consumer representation on the group as this is an issue that impacts them. JF would like to see non code parties involved such as meter asset managers and suppliers as they have a direct impact on the accuracy and quality of data used to populate central systems.

Secretariat – JF was concerned about the appropriateness of a particular Code leading the workgroup as their focus may be compromised by financial constraints placed on them, as the costs of the secretariat would not be spread across the industry. This issue should be considered by Ofgem with costs shared across the industry. FH agreed with this view as Ofgem would be able to take a view on benefits for each fuel and perhaps share costs accordingly.

LJ asked if this issue should be deferred to SPAA for a gas view. JF did not agree as address accuracy detail impacts central systems and Panel should be involved with monitoring the progress of the dual fuel group.

AP concluded by proposing that the views of the panel be summarised in a note to be agreed between him and the Joint Office, and that this summary should then be forwarded to other Administrators and Ciaran McCann at Ofgem

174.8 Conclude Meeting and Agree Date of Next Meeting

10:30, Thursday 21 May 2015, at the ENA.