

UNIFORM NETWORK CODE MODIFICATION PANEL
MINUTES OF THE 51st MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY
7 AUGUST 2007

Members Present:

Transporter Representatives: R Hewitt (National Grid NTS), C Warner (National Grid Distribution), B Grubb (Scotia Gas Networks) and L Spierling (Wales & West Utilities).

User Representatives: C Sykes (Statoil), A Barnes (BG Group), C Wright (British Gas Trading), R Fairholme (EON) and P Broom (Gaz de France).

Ofgem Representative(s):

D Edward and P O'Donovan.

Consumers Representative(s):

None.

Joint Office:

J Majdanski (Chairman), M Berrisford (Secretary).

51.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting:

C Sykes for S Rouse (Statoil), C Wright for M Young (British Gas Trading) and R Fairholme for P Bolitho (EON).

51.2 Record of apologies for absence:

S Rouse (Statoil), M Young (British Gas Trading) and P Bolitho (EON).

51.3 Record invitees to meeting:

None.

51.4 Consider Variation Requests.

- a) Proposal 0163 "Offering Capacity at Donor ASEP in Trades & Transfers Process"

Following a brief presentation by S Gordon (ScottishPower) and a discussion, the Panel did not determine that the Variation Request was immaterial, with no votes cast in favour. Therefore, Modification Proposal 0163 was deemed withdrawn and replaced by Modification Proposal 0163V "Offering Capacity at Donor ASEP in Trades & Transfers Process".

Panel Members discussed at length their concerns surrounding the Modification Proposal, reiterating their beliefs that the variation, as presented, represents a material change and that further development of the Proposal is required.

Members went on to suggest that perhaps a more appropriate process approach would be to withdraw the Proposal and replace it with a new Urgent Modification Proposal (including the legal text that is currently being drafted). Furthermore, Members indicated their willingness to support the Proposer in developing the new Urgent Modification Proposal to ensure that all concerns are addressed.

The Chairman summarised the discussion thus. A new Urgent Modification Proposal will be raised by ScottishPower in draft form for a quick review prior to formal submission to Ofgem for a decision on urgency. He also pointed out that it is up to ScottishPower to consider formally withdrawing 0163V in due course. D Edward observed that if 0163V is not withdrawn, Ofgem would have to make a decision about it as part of the UNC governance process.

51.5 Consider Final Modification Reports.

In light of the above statements, Members did not believe it appropriate to formally consider the Final Modification Report.

51.6 AOB

None.

51.7 Conclude Meeting and Agree Date of Next Meeting:

The Panel noted that the next Panel meeting is due to be held at Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London on 16 August 2007.