

**Demand Estimation Sub-Committee Minutes**  
**Friday 10 June 2011**  
**at ENA, , 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF**

**Attendees**

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Tim Davis (Secretary)	(TD)	Joint Office
Bairavi Varatharajan	(BV)	Corona Energy
Gareth Lloyd	(GL)	National Grid NTS
Joseph Lloyd	(JL)	Xoserve
Linda Whitcroft	(LW)	Xoserve
Louise Gates	(LG)	EDF Energy
Louise Hellyer	(LH)	Total Gas & Power
Mark Perry	(MP)	Xoserve
Matt Jackson	(MJ)	British Gas
Mo Rezvani	(MR)	SSE
Paul Tuxworth	(PT)	National Grid NTS
Sallyann Blackett	(SB)	E.ON UK
Paolo Agnolucci	(PA)	Centrica
Steve Baker	(SB1)	RWE Npower
Tom Young	(TY)	E.ON UK

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**1. Introduction, Confirmation of Membership and Apologies for Absence**

BF welcomed all to the meeting.

**2. Review of Minutes and Actions from the Previous Meeting**

**2.1. Minutes**

The minutes from the previous DESC meeting were accepted.

**2.2. Actions**

**Action DE1101:** RV Analysis (Slide 6): Provide a Table of rejection numbers by rejection criteria.

**Update:** Issued in February. **Complete.**

**Action DE1102:** RV Analysis (Slide 6): Provide view of reconciliation data for population at December 2010

**Update:** MP reported that he had not been able to do this as yet, but intended to undertake it during the Summer. **Carried Forward.**

**Action DE1103:** NDM Sample Consumption Analysis (Slide 14): Clarify the calculations relating to the left hand column of the Table.

**Update:** Issued in February. **Complete.**

**Action DE1105:** Consider in future analysis making appropriate adjustments for known Significant LDZ Measurement Errors.

**Update:** Issued in February. **Complete.**

**Action DE1106:** Respond to E.ON UK's comments relating to the Spring Approach.

**Update:** Issued in February. **Complete.**

**Action DE1107:** Inform DESC of all suggested Workplan ideas for the Autumn for DESC's consideration and prioritisation.

**Update:** MP presented (see 3 below). **Complete.**

**Action DE1108:** Royal Bank Holiday: Review Scaling Factors over the Golden Jubilee period (June 2002) and report back to DESC members as soon as possible.

**Update:** Issued in February. **Complete.**

**Action DE1109:** NDM Sample: Contact individual Shippers regarding 'lost' AMR equipment relating to sites in their ownership.

**Update:** Contact had been made. **Complete.**

**Action DE1110:** NDM Sample: Write to DESC Members advising each of the name(s) of the recipient(s) within their organisation of the Monthly Demand Estimation Sample Report.

**Update:** Letters had been issued. **Complete.**

### 3. Review of Work Plan

#### 3.1. Suggested Workplan

MP explained that no suggested work plan ideas had been received from DESC for this year. Therefore proposals for adhoc analysis in Autumn / Winter 2011 were based around comments made at the February DESC meeting. Firstly, MP described proposals for Band 1 analysis. MJ asked about splitting EUC Band 1 into an extra sub category, rather than only at 10MWh pa and 20 MWh pa. There was consensus in favour of considering this, which MP agreed to consider.

Post Meeting Note:

To clarify sub band analysis will look at splitting the current Band 1 of 0-73.2 MWh pa into three sub bands, namely 0-10, 10-20 and 20-73.2 MWh pa

Secondly, MP proposed looking at the cold weather period between late November and late January in more detail when looking at the annual NDM sample analysis results presented each February. PA suggested extending this to shoulder months where models did not behave well. MP agreed to extend the analysis to include some hot days in order to show the extremes.

It was agreed that these extra analyses would be completed in addition to the standard annual programme.

### **3.2. NDM Sample update**

LW summarised the changes in sample numbers across a range of sub categories, and the efforts made to ensure robust sample numbers are maintained.

MJ asked whether the need to get customer permission biased the sample towards a particular class of household. LW acknowledged that this is possible, although efforts are made to encourage take-up with, for example, incentives being offered.

## **4. Any Other Business**

### **4.1. Modification 0330 Legal text**

ST reported that legal text will be submitted today and will be issued with the Draft Modification Report. If all could review the text and ensure it delivers the intent of the modification, that would be appreciated. Modification 0331 is expected to be in the same position.

## **5. Date of Next Meeting/Diary Planning**

DESC is due to meet again on 29 July at 31 Homer Road, Solihull.

**Action Log: Demand Estimation Sub Committee**

<b>Action Ref*</b>	<b>Meeting Date(s)</b>	<b>Minute Ref</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Status Update</b>
<b>DE1101</b>	01/02/11	3.1	RV Analysis (Slide 6): Provide a Table of rejection numbers by rejection criteria.	xoserve (MP/JL)	<b>Closed</b>
<b>DE1102</b>	01/02/11	3.1	RV Analysis (Slide 6): Provide view of reconciliation data for population at December 2010.	xoserve (MP/JL)	<b>Carried forward</b>
<b>DE1103</b>	01/02/11	3.1	NDM Sample Consumption Analysis (Slide 14): Clarify the calculations relating to the left hand column of the Table.	xoserve (MP/JL)	<b>Closed</b>
<b>DE1104</b>	01/02/11	3.1	NDM Sample Consumption Analysis (Slides 15 and 16): Confirm what CWV and SNCWV versions were used in producing these Slides.	xoserve (MP/JL)	<b>Closed</b>
<b>DE1105</b>	01/02/11	3.2	Consider in future analysis making appropriate adjustments for known Significant LDZ Measurement Errors.	xoserve (MP/JL)	<b>Closed</b>
<b>DE1106</b>	01/02/11	3.4	Respond to E.ON's comments relating to the Spring Approach.	xoserve (MP/JL)	<b>Closed</b>
<b>DE1107</b>	01/02/11	3.4	Inform DESC of all suggested Workplan ideas for the Autumn for DESC's consideration and prioritisation.	xoserve (MP/JL)	<b>Closed</b>
<b>DE1108</b>	01/02/11	3.5	Royal Bank Holiday: Review Scaling Factors over the Golden Jubilee period (June 2002) and report back to DESC members as soon as possible.	xoserve (MP/JL)	<b>Closed</b>
<b>DE1109</b>	01/02/11	4.0	NDM Sample: Contact individual Shippers regarding 'lost' AMR equipment relating to sites in their ownership.	xoserve (MP/JL)	<b>Closed</b>
<b>DE1110</b>	01/02/11	4.0	NDM Sample: Write to DESC Members advising each of the	xoserve (MP/JL)	<b>Closed</b>

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