

UNC Workgroup 0652 Minutes

Introduction of winter read/consumption reports and associated obligations

Monday 19 November 2018

at Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull B91 2AA

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Helen Bennett (Secretary)	(HB)	Joint Office
Alexander Mann*	(AM)	Gazprom
Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent
Carl Whitehouse	(CWh)	First Utility
Chris Warner	(CW)	Cadent
Dan Fittock	(DF)	Corona Energy
Imran Shah*	(IS)	British Gas
John Welch	(JW)	npower
Kirsty Dudley*	(KD)	E.ON
Leanne Jackson	(LJ)	Xoserve
Lindsay Biginton*	(LB)	Utilita
Lorna Lewin*	(LL)	Orsted
Louise Hellyer	(LH)	Total Gas & Power
Mark Bellman	(MB)	ScottishPower
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Mark Palmer*	(MP)	Orsted
Mark Rixon*	(MRi)	Engie
Megan Coventry*	(MC)	SSE
Richard Pomroy	(RP)	Wales and West Utilities
Robert Cameron-Higgs	(RCH)	Flow Energy UK
Sallyann Blackett	(SB)	E.ON
Shaheeni Vekaria*	(SV)	Utility Warehouse
Steven Britton*	(SB)	Cornwall
Tracey Saunders	(TS)	Northern Gas Networks

Apologies

Emma Smith

* via teleconference

Copies of all papers are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0652/191118

The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 20 December 2018.

1.0 Introduction and Status Review

Bob Fletcher (BF) updated the Workgroup and advised that the UNC Panel held on 15 November 2018, did not agree with the Workgroups recommendation that the Workgroup Report could be considered at short notice at the extra-ordinary UNC Panel meeting planned for 22 November 2018.

The Workgroup Reporting date was extended to the December Panel meeting and if necessary, a reduced consultation period could be used to allow the Final Modification Report to be considered at the January 2019 meeting.

BF confirmed Northern Gas Networks (NGN) provided the Legal Text on Friday 16 November 2018.

1.1 Approval of Minutes (31 October 2018)

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

2.0 Review of Amended Modification

No further amendments have been made to the Modification since the last review.

3.0 Review of ROM

Not reviewed.

4.0 Review of Legal Text

Tracey Saunders (TS) provided an update on the Legal Text provided, advising that there were some points of clarification required.

BF showed onscreen the Legal Text submitted.

TS explained that paragraph 5.9.17 requires clarification as to whether it should refer to the Central Data Services Provider (CDSP) rather than Performance Assurance Framework Advisor (PAFA). JW clarified that this is notifying whether there is consumption or not, therefore, no interaction with the PAFA would be necessary. This should refer to the CDSP rather than PAFA.

It was confirmed that the Modification referred to CDSP but Dentons interpreted it should be PAFA.

There followed a lengthy discussion regarding the definition of Winter Consumption Data and whether it is currently defined in Uniform Network Code (UNC).

Legal Text Paragraph 5.9.16 gives a suggested definition for Winter Consumption Data and it is suggested this is used for the definition in UNC. The Workgroup agreed the wording should be amended to just Winter Consumption rather than Winter Consumption Data. Therefore, a definition may not be necessary.

The Workgroup agreed to change the paragraph as follows:

5.9.16 In respect of a Class 4, Smart or Advanced Supply Meter "winter consumption data" means [data which is required by the CDSP to enable it to determine the quantity of gas which is offtaken from the Total System at the Supply Meter Point in the period December to March in a Gas Year as a proportion of the [Annual Quantity] for the Supply Meter Point [prevailing at the start of such Gas Year]

New Action 1101: npower (JW) for consistency, to update the Modification solution to link with the Legal Text. The solution in the Modification needs to drive the Legal Text. JW to insert a separate paragraph that describes the specific part of the solution – to add clarity.

SB clarified that Winter Annual Consumption is referenced in UNC TPD section H 1.8. The Legal Text for this Modification needs to reference this and then stipulate that DESC will refer to this section to manage the process.

The Workgroup agreed that, for Legal Text paragraph 5.9.16, the wording should be amended to say: 'send winter consumption in pursuant to TPD section H 1.8.

JW added that, with regards to suggested legal text 5.9.17, this will only apply to supply points with an EUC band 3-8; JW is concerned that the data will be communicated to a much wider proportion of users and that winter consumption data only goes out to lower EUC classes.

New Action 1102: re: Legal text 5.9.17: npower (JW) check with Xoserve who gets winter consumption data at the moment, if lower level than EUC band 3, the wording on the Modification should be amended.

An amendment to Legal Text paragraph 5.9.16 is also required to make clear the type of meter class that this paragraph is applicable to. The suggestion is that it only refers to Class 4. SB clarified that this needs to be a Class 4 site with an obligation to Monthly reads. This also needs to be reflected in the solution within the Modification.

BF checked and confirmed that there would be no amendments required to the PAC reports section and suggested to set out the reports as an attachment to show what they will look like.

Next steps:

BF clarified that:

JW and TS to finalise and agree the Legal Text offline.

JW to consider the suggested amendments to the Modification.

Following receipt of the amended Modification Workgroup will meet on 07 December 2018 to finalise the Workgroup Report.

The Workgroup Report will go to December UNC Panel.

5.0 Completion of Workgroup Report

Not discussed.

6.0 Review of Outstanding Actions

No outstanding actions to review.

7.0 Any Other Business

None.

8.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month>

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10.30 Friday 07 December 2018	Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court Warwick Road Solihull B91 2AA	Detail planned agenda items.

Action Table (as at 19 November 2018)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
1101	19/11/18		npower (JW) for consistency, to update the modification solution to link with the suggested legal	npower	Pending

			text. The solution in the modification needs to drive the legal text. To insert a separate paragraph that describes the specific part of the solution – to add clarity.	(JW)	
1102	19/11/18		<i>re: 5.9.17:</i> npower (JW) check with Xoserve who gets winter consumption data at the moment, if lower level than EUC band 3, the wording on the modification needs to be amended.	npower (JW)	Pending