

**UNC Workgroup 0854 Minutes
Revision of Virtual Last Resort User and Contingent Procurement of
Supplier Demand Event Triggers
Thursday 02 November 2023
via Microsoft Teams**

Attendees		
Eric Fowler (Chair)	(EF)	Joint Office
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HCu)	Joint Office
Adam Bates	(Aba)	SEFE Market and Trading
Alex Barnes	(AB)	On behalf of WatersWye Associates
Alex Nield	(AN)	Storengy UK
Amy Howarth	(AH)	Storengy UK
Anna Shrigley	(AS)	ENI
Antony Miller	(AM)	South Hook Gas
Carlos Aguirre	(CA)	Pavilion Energy
Chimaobi Maduka	(CM)	Procode
Chris Wright	(CWr)	Exxon Mobil
Conor McClarin	(CM)	National Gas Transmission (NGT)
David Mitchell	(MD)	SGN
Eddie Allard	(EA)	Cadent (from 12:00)
Ellie Rogers	(ER)	Xoserve (from 12:30)
Gavin Williams	(GW)	National Gas Transmission
Georgie Price	(GP)	Ofgem
Hannah Reddy	(HR)	Corella on behalf of Xoserve
Harmandeep Kaur	(HK)	Joint Office
James Lomax	(JLo)	Cornwall Insight
Jonathan Roche	(JR)	Organisation not confirmed (from 12:30)
Joseph Leggett	(JL)	Interconnector
Julie Cox	(JCo)	Energy UK
Kathryn Adeseye	(KA)	Xoserve
Lauren Jauss	(LJa)	RWE
Mariachiara Zennaro	(MZ)	Centrica
Malcolm Montgomery	(MM)	National Gas Transmission
Marina Papathoma	(MP)	WWU (from 12:00)
Marion Joste	(MJ)	ENI
Mathew Chandy	(MC)	Ofgem
Matthew Newman	(MN)	National Gas Transmission
Paul O'Toole	(POT)	Northern Gas Networks
Phil Lucas	(PL)	National Gas Transmission
Rebecca Steventon	(RS)	Energy Security (from 13:15)
Richard Fairholme	(RF)	Uniper
Ritchard Hewitt	(RHe)	Hewitt Home Energy Solutions
Ronan Haas	(RH)	National Gas Transmission

Shiv Singh	(SS)	Cadent
Stephen Huang	(SH)	Castel Commodities UK
Steve Mulinganie	(SM)	SEFE Energy
Terry Burke	(TB)	Equinor

The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 18 January 2024.

This Workgroup meeting will be considered quorate provided at least two Transporter and two Shipper User representatives are present.

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1.0 Introduction and Status Review

Eric Fowler (EF) welcomed all parties to the meeting.

1.1 Approval of Minutes (05 October 2023)

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

1.2 Approval of late papers

None.

1.3 Review of Outstanding Actions

None.

2.0 Consideration of Business Rules

Phil Lucas (PL) provided the legal text in support of the Business Rules which was based on the Modification 0813 - Revision of Virtual Last Resort User and Contingent Procurement of Supplier Demand Event Triggers. The Workgroup Reviewed the Legal text and Commentary.

The Workgroup considered the application of sanctions, the nature of sanctions, regulations, the consequences, and required activities.

The Workgroup considered the scenario of NGT making a mistake and Steve Mulinganie (SM) asked if there would be any form of indemnity for NGT or whether it might face severe financial consequences if its actions under the proposed arrangement are legally overturned. The Workgroup considered the failure and consequences if NGT issued a Cessation/Termination (UPTN) Notice in error. PL confirmed as a prudent operator National Gas Transmission (NGT) would seek relevant assurances that its actions are correct but would in any case consult with colleagues to establish whether NGT has the protection of an indemnity.

New Action 1101: NGT (PL) to confirm if there will be an indemnity of actions as a consequence of NGT making an incorrect decision on issuing a Cessation Notice.

Panel Questions to be considered:

1. Does the Modification directly impact IGT UNC
2. Would the Modification impact REC and the registration process

3.0 Review of Impacts and Costs

Deferred.

4.0 Review of Relevant Objectives

Deferred.

5.0 Consideration of Wider Industry Impacts

Deferred.

6.0 Next Steps

See Diary Planning.

7.0 Any Other Business

None.

8.0 Diary Planning

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

Workgroup meetings will take place as follows:

Time / Date	Paper Publication Deadline	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:00 Thursday 07 December 2023	5 pm Wednesday 29 November 2023	Microsoft Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Development of Workgroup Report
10:00 Thursday 04 January 2024	5 pm Wednesday 22 December 2023	Microsoft Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review of Legal Text• Conclusion of Workgroup Report