

UNC Workgroup 0659S Minutes
Improvements to the Composite Weather Variable
Wednesday 31 October 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
Beth Wilson*	(BW)	Ecotricity
Carl Whitehouse	(CWh)	First Utility
Edward Fyfe*	(EF)	SGN
Ellie Rogers*	(ER)	Xoserve
Fiona Cottam	(FC)	Xoserve
Imran Shah*	(IS)	British Gas
John Welch	(JW)	npower
Jonathon Heard	(JH)	Xoserve
Kirsty Dudley*	(KD)	E.ON
Linda Whitcroft	(LW)	Xoserve
Lindsay Biginton*	(LB)	Utilita
Lorna Lewin*	(LL)	Orsted
Louise Hellyer	(LH)	Total Gas & Power
Luke Reeves*	(LR)	EDF Energy
Mark Bellman	(MB)	ScottishPower
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Mark Perry	(MP)	Xoserve
Mark Rixon*	(MRi)	Engie
Megan Coventry*	(MC)	SSE
Michael Robertson	(MRo)	ScottishPower
RHYS Kealley	(RK)	British Gas
Richard Pomroy*	(RP)	Wales and West Utilities
Robert Cameron-Higgs	(RCH)	Flow Energy UK
Shaheeni Vekaria	(SV)	Utility Warehouse
Simon Harris*	(SH)	Xoserve
Steven Britton*	(SB)	Cornwall
Tracey Saunders	(TS)	Northern Gas Networks

* *via teleconference*

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1.0 Introduction and Status Review

1.1 Approval of Minutes (03 October 2018)

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

2.0 Consideration of Amended Modification

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

3.0 Review of Legal Text

Bob Fletcher (BF) showed onscreen the Legal Text provided and confirmed the aim is for the Workgroup to report to November UNC Panel.

Mark Perry (MP) advised that these proposals could be included in the Demand Estimation Methodology document (DEM) for approval at the next DESC meeting, 08 November 2018,

The Workgroup were then advised that, if DESC approve the change to the DEM, this Modification could be withdrawn

Tracey Saunders (TS) talked the Workgroup through the Legal Text provided as there were a number of questions to consider and it would be useful to have views should the Modification still be needed.

It was suggested that, paragraph 5.1.1 an alternative approach is that paragraphs c) and d) could be added in to a) (forecasting day ahead) and b) (historic). This would then be consistent with the provision of similar data items.

TS will take the suggestion back to their lawyer.

BF confirmed, the Legal Text has been provided within the 15 days, the amendments will only be completed if the Modification is to be progressed.

4.0 Review of the ROM

MP advised that even if the Modification is withdrawn the ROM analysis is still valid.

MP explained different considerations and said that it is unknown what the new formula will look like. Some of the costs in the high end are about temperature and wind; temperature is currently reported 2-hourly and wind 4-hourly, but this could be an opportunity to get temperature and wind on an hourly level to aid DESC and the CWV.

It was clarified that the intent is to make this reporting more flexible for the future. The high-level costs incorporate adding in more flexibility.

Temperature and weighting are currently hard-coded, this is an opportunity to make them more flexible.

FC confirmed that the funding for this is 50-50 between Shippers and Transporters. This ROM will go to DSC Change Management Committee for them to decide on the best solution option, and whether to implement a cheap solution or to build in the flexibility.

5.0 Development of Workgroup Report

This will be covered at the next Workgroup meeting.

6.0 Review of Outstanding Actions

No outstanding actions.

7.0 Next Steps

It was agreed to defer consideration until DESC had reviewed the DEM at which point, the Modification might be withdrawn.

8.0 Any Other Business

None.

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

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10.30 Monday 19 November 2018	Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court Warwick Road Solihull B91 2AA	Detail planned agenda items.

Action Table (as at 31 October 2018)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update