

UNC Workgroup Individual Terms of Reference

0844 - Enabling Direct Contractual Arrangements with Consumers for Demand Side Response

Introduction

This is an Individual Terms of Reference that includes matters referred from Panel or identified within any initial representations. It replaces the standard Terms of Reference.

Purpose of the Modification and its Solution

Please refer to <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0844>

The purpose of this Modification is to expand the scope of the Demand Side Response (DSR) arrangements (as set out in the UNC) to enable the establishment of direct contractual arrangements between National Gas Transmission (NGT) and individual Consumers for the voluntary reduction of their gas demand.

Topics for Discussion

- Understanding the objective (Why Change?)
- Assessment of alternative means to achieve the objective
- Assessment of Governance and whether the Modification meets/continues to meet the Self-Governance criteria
- Assessment of Code Specific Matters
- Assessment of the Solution (including business rules if appropriate)
- Assessment of impacts, including but not limited to Consumer and System Impacts
- Identification of potential impacts on other energy codes
- Consideration of potential performance assurance impacts
- Assessment of how the Modification furthers the Relevant Objectives
- Consideration of a suitable Implementation Date(s)
- Assessment of Implementation costs
- Consideration/Assessment of the Legal Text, to satisfy it meets the intent of the Solution.

Modification Panel Questions

- Consideration of whether direct contracting is possible.
- Consideration of communication arrangements required with DNOs

Output

To produce a Workgroup Report, for submission to the UNC Modification Panel, containing the assessment and recommendation(s) of the Workgroup.

Composition of Workgroup

The Workgroup is open to any party that wishes to attend or participate.

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

Meeting Arrangements

Meetings will be administered by the Joint Office of Gas Transporters and conducted in accordance with the Code Administration Code of Practice (www.gasgovernance.co.uk/cacop)