

Review Group 0291 Minutes
Thursday 06 May 2010
Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW

Attendees		
Tim Davis (Chair)	(TD)	Joint Office
John Bradley (Secretary)	(JB)	Joint Office
Alan Raper	(AR)	National Grid Distribution
Amar Singh	(AS)	ExxonMobil
Ben Woodside	(BW)	Ofgem
Bethan Winter	(BW)	Wales & West Utilities
Chris Shanley	(CS)	National Grid NTS
Chris Wright	(CW)	Centrica
David Turner	(DT)	Gassco
Graham Thorne	(GT)	Canatxx Gas Storage
Ian Taylor	(IT)	Northern Gas Networks
Joanna Ferguson	(JF)	Northern Gas Networks
Julie Cox	(JC)	AEP
Nick Reeves	(NR)	National Grid NTS
Rekha Patel	(RP)	Waters Wye
Richard Fairholme	(RF)	E.ON UK
Richard Jones	(RJ)	xoserve
Richard Sarsfield-Hall	(RSH)	Poyry Consulting
Shelley Rouse	(SR)	Statoil
Simon Trivella	(ST)	Wales & West Utilities
Stefan Leedham	(SL)	EDF Energy
Steve Bushill	(SB)	GL Associates
Steve Pownall	(SP)	National Grid NTS
Steve Sherwood	(SS)	Scotia Gas Networks
Timothy Wyndham	(TW)	Ofgem

1. Introduction

TD welcomed attendees to the meeting.

2. Consider Terms of Reference

TD summarised the Terms of Reference.

JC suggested that considering the accuracy of forecasting end-of-day linepack would assist the Review Group. National Grid NTS agreed to produce this analysis for the next meeting.

It was agreed that the Terms of Reference should consider interactions of any service with the National Grid Incentives. Ofgem was asked whether they agreed with National Grid's understanding of the licence definition of linepack, which would restrict the scope of development. DT added that the current Special Condition C27 definition excluded a tolerance service. Ofgem responded that it would not wish to exclude such a service and would consider reviewing the Special Condition C27 accordingly. The intention was for all viable options to be reviewed and Ofgem agreed to clarify at the next meeting its understanding of Condition C27 and the consequent scope for developing options.

It was agreed, pending clarification by Ofgem, the Terms of Reference should reflect the existing provisions of Condition C27. JC gained agreement that the Terms of Reference should specifically include charging implications. SL gained

agreement that the Terms of Reference should include interactions with Distribution Networks.

SL asked what transportation systems internationally the Review Group was likely to consider for comparison, and SP outlined those that National Grid NTS had in mind.

BW suggested that the reference to “cash-out fixed differential” was too restrictive and it was agreed that this should be replaced with a reference to “cash-out”.

3. Workplan

The Workplan included within the Draft Terms of Reference was agreed

4. Diary Planning

TD identified that meetings had been arranged for 21 May and 21 June 2010 - both at 10.00 at Ofgem’s Offices, Millbank.