

UNC Workgroup 0571 Minutes
Application of Ratchet Charges to Class 1 Supply Points Only
Thursday 28 April 2016
at Energy UK, 5-11 Regent Street, London, SW1Y 4LR

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Mike Berrisford (Secretary)	(MB)	Joint Office
Alex Ross-Shaw	(ARS)	Northern Gas Networks
Andrew Margan*	(AM)	British Gas
Andy Clasper	(AC)	National Grid Distribution
Anne Jackson	(AJ)	SSE
Chris Warner	(CW)	National Grid Distribution
Colette Baldwin	(CB)	E.ON UK
Colin Blair	(CBI)	ScottishPower
David Mitchell	(DM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Gavin Anderson*	(GA)	EDF Energy
Hilary Chapman	(HC)	Scotia Gas Networks
John Welch*	(JW)	RWE npower
Kirsten Elliott-Smith	(KES)	Cornwall Energy
Naomi Nathanael	(NN)	Plus Shipping
Rachel Hinsley	(RH)	Xoserve
Richard Pomroy*	(RP)	Wales & West Utilities
Sasha Pearce	(SP)	npower
Shiv Singh*	(SS)	National Grid Distribution
Suchitra Hammond	(SHa)	Ofgem
Steve Mullinganie	(SM)	Gazprom

* *via teleconference*

Copies of all papers are available at: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0571/280416>

The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 16 June 2016.

1.0 Introduction and Status Review**1.1. Review of Minutes (24 March 2016)**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

2.0 Consideration of (draft) Alternate 0571A

Prior to considering the (draft) Workgroup Report, the Workgroup undertook a brief onscreen review of (draft) alternate modification 0571A presented for consideration by E.ON UK.

BF explained that if the Workgroup believes that the alternate modification has merit, then further discussion and development of the Workgroup Report for 0571 would be put on hold (*as alternates can only be raised during the Workgroup stage in the modification process*) until the alternate modification has been formally raised and reviewed at a subsequent Panel meeting.

CB provided a brief resume of the alternate modification (0571A) explaining that it is seeking to retain ratchets for the larger Class 1 and 2 sites (but not for small business or domestic premises etc.).

BF went on to explain that in order for the alternate modification to be considered at the 19 May 2016 Panel meeting, it would need to be formally submitted to the Joint Office by no later than Friday 06 May 2016. In the event that the alternate modification is allocated to the Workgroup for consideration, the aim would be to complete the (combined 0571 / 0571A) Workgroup Report at the next meeting scheduled for 26 May 2016. Additionally, to support the process, the Panel would need to formally request legal text for both modifications at the 19 May meeting. CW suggested that on first acquaintance he could see no major concerns with producing legal text for either / both modifications.

SM indicated that as far as he concerned, he does not believe there are any time critical elements to 0571 as the ratchet impacts would not impact these sites until the Winter commencing October 2017 and would therefore be happy to await the arrival of 0571A before continuing development.

When asked whether or not there might be some User Pays implementation costs associated with these modifications, CW agreed to discuss the matter with Xoserve and provide a view on whether or not a Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) would be needed going forwards.

New Action 0401: National Grid Distribution (CW) to discuss with Xoserve, and provide a view on, whether or not a Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) would be needed for either 0571 or 0571A (should it be formally raised) going forwards, at the next Workgroup meeting.

3.0 Workgroup Report

In light of discussions under item 2.0 above, further work on the (draft) Workgroup Report was deferred at this time.

3.1. Consideration of Business Rules

Not specifically considered at the meeting.

3.2. Consideration of User Pays

Not specifically considered at the meeting.

3.3. Review of Impacts and Costs

Not specifically considered at the meeting.

3.4. Review of Relevant Objectives

Not specifically considered at the meeting.

4.0 Review of Outstanding Actions

There were no outstanding actions to consider at the meeting.

5.0 Next Steps

E.ON to formally submit their alternative modification (0571A) for consideration at the 19 May 2016 Panel meeting and thereafter, the Joint Office to prepare a combined (draft) Workgroup Report (0571 / 0571A) for consideration and sign off at the 26 May 2016 Workgroup meeting.

6.0 Any Other Business

None.

7.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary

Workgroup meetings will take place as follows:

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:30 Thursday 26 May 2016	Consort House, 6 Homer Road, Solihull. B91 3QQ	Detail planned agenda items. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consideration of alternate modification 0571A • Consideration of Business Rules • Consideration of User Pays • Review of Impacts and Costs • Review of Relevant Objectives • Consideration of Legal Text • Completion of Workgroup Report

Action Table (28 April 2016)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0401	28/04/16	2.0	To discuss with Xoserve, and provide a view on, whether or not a Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) would be needed for either 0571 or 0571A (should it be formally raised) going forwards, at the next Workgroup meeting.	National Grid Distribution (CW)	Pending