

**Agenda:** Pre-Modification Panel Briefing  
**Meeting Details:** 13:00, 14 November 2016  
**Teleconference:** 0207 950 1251, access code 21870295#  
**Documentation at:** <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/panel/171116>

Dear Colleague,

Please note that we will be hosting a pre-Modification Panel briefing by teleconference starting at **13:00 on Monday 14 November 2016**. Discussions will be based on the Modification Panel agenda (<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/panel/171116>).

This pre-Panel briefing is intended to provide, in particular, an opportunity for smaller parties, including customer representatives as well as smaller Shippers and Suppliers, an opportunity to feed views into the modification process at critical stages. We therefore expect to focus on new Modifications and those on which the Panel will debate whether or not implementation is supported. Similar teleconferences are held prior to each monthly Modification Panel meeting (third Thursday of the month). Any views on which information would be most helpful to you, or on the time and format of the teleconference, would be welcome.

Modifications that are on this month's Panel agenda are:

### ***New Modifications***

#### **Modification 0601 – Revision of National Grid Gas plc's Individual Network Code to reflect the correct company name**

Proposed by National Grid NTS

Under the terms of their Licence, each network operator is required to have an Individual Network Code (INC) that provides any network-specific terms and linkage to the UNC (see here for more information: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/INDNC>). Post-separation of National Grid's distribution networks (into National Grid Gas Distribution Ltd on 01 October 2016), National Grid conducted a review to ensure that their INC was appropriate for the residual transmission network. This housekeeping modification proposes to update INC with the current company name and number.

Please note that, as part of the work to separate National Grid Gas Distribution, a new INC was established for that network operator and this can be seen at the above link.

The Proposer is seeking fast-track self-governance status for this modification on the basis that it updating only factual information and has no impact on any other party.

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0601>

#### **Modification 0602 – Implementation of Non Effective Days and Variant Non-Business Days for Project Nexus Implementation (Project Nexus transitional modification)**

Proposed by National Grid Gas Distribution

This modification proposes arrangements that effect a smooth and efficient transition to the new UK Link system by identifying the dates when the existing systems will not be

available for normal UNC transactions and processes. It sets out when the relevant systems would be taken off-line or subject to additional support measures impacting transaction processing.

It is the successor proposal to 0532 (Implementation of Non-effective days – Nexus transition), which related to the previous Project Nexus Implementation Date.

The Proposer is seeking self-governance status for this modification on the basis that it is unlikely to have a material impact on Consumers because switching times should not be affected, neither is it likely to have an adverse impact on competition between Shippers because it applies equally to all parties.

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0602>

### **Modification 0603 – Removal of liability for members of Performance Assurance Committee**

Proposed by Wales and West Utilities

This modification proposes identical arrangements for Performance Assurance Committee members to those already enshrined in the UNC for Energy Balancing Credit Committee members. This ensures that, providing members act in good faith and in accordance with the Performance Assurance Framework document, they will be free of liability.

The Proposer is seeking self-governance status for this modification on the basis that it is unlikely to have a material impact on any commercial activities.

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0603>

### ***Implementation Recommendations***

None this month.

### ***Self-Governance Implementation***

#### **Modification 0595S – Amendment to the Arrangements between National Grid NTS and GNI at the Moffat IP to Provide for Interruption of Virtual Reverse Flow**

This enabling modification seeks to amend the tri-partite Agreement between National Grid, Gas Networks Ireland (GNI UK) – as the owner and operator of the Irish Interconnector - and GNI - as the Transmission System Operator in the Republic of Ireland - to reflect the existing arrangements for interruption (by GNI) of within-day Virtual Reverse Flow (VRF) capacity entitlements.

The consultation closes on Thursday 10 November and responses can be seen using the link shown below. A summary of respondent's views will be provided on the call. Panel members will be asked whether consultation responses have raised any new relevant issues that should be assessed by the Workgroup or, if not, whether the modification should be implemented.

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0595>

I hope this summary is helpful.

Regards,

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