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Please note National Grid Gas Distribution has now formally appointed Dr Michael Reader-Harris as the independent expert in relation to resolution of the Orifice Plate Meter Measurement Errors. It has taken sometime to get to this stage and I believe it may be helpful if we explain the process we have followed to date. I should stress that the delay has not been due to lack of willingness on either side.

Timeline.

16<sup>th</sup> October 2009

Offtake meeting to appoint the Expert

27<sup>th</sup> October 2009

Initial meeting with Dr Reader-Harris

Introductions

Outline the error

Explain the Guidelines

Check availability to undertake work

November 2009

Establish confidentiality agreement to allow data to be passed to the expert for the purpose of providing a quote for the work.

December 2009/January 2010

National Grid accept the quotation and form contract for work.

TUVNEL commence work.

In forming the contract with the expert we have ensured that the generic terms of reference, within the guidelines, have been appended to the scope of work.

The process to date has taken longer than we anticipated but work is now underway and we anticipate scheduling the first technical workstream shortly. (late Jan or early Feb).

If you wish to discuss this please let me know.

Regards

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