

Agenda Items Summary

2.0 Seasonal Normal Review Update (FOR INFORMATION)

- We will be providing an update on the activities performed since the last DESC at the end of July and the remaining actions as we proceed to the start of the new Gas Year.
- You may be interested in slide 4 which identifies some potential differences in the day ahead and within day NDM Nomination values for the 1st October 2020 gas day as we transition from the current CWV formula to the revised version as approved by DESC last year.

3.0 NDM Sample Update (FOR INFORMATION)

- As we start the collation and validation of the NDM sample data to be used in Strand 3 of NDM Algorithm Performance we take a look at how we are doing for sample data submissions – note we desperately need Domestic Pre-payment data if we are going to know whether the new PPM Gas Demand Profiles have been beneficial or not.

4.0 Review of NDM Algorithm (FOR INFORMATION)

- A chance to discuss how we take the Review of the NDM Algorithm work forward and consider how we ensure the wider industry is involved in any potential decisions in the future.
- Note we have provided a link on Slide 5 to a paper presented at September's Contract managers meeting about options for the use of Machine Learning – it would be useful if you could look at this ahead of the meeting.

5.0 Ad-hoc Work Plan (FOR INFORMATION)

- Following approval of the work plan items for the Autumn and Winter at the last DESC meeting, we provide a schedule for when we expect to report back to DESC on the various items.

6.0 COVID-19 Winter Impacts - Gas Year 2020/21 (DISCUSSION)

- As we approach the colder months there is likely to be more scrutiny and questions around the impacts a second wave of COVID-19 infections and subsequent change in behaviours could have on NDM allocation and UiG. There is no material for this agenda item, however it will be helpful to hear any views, insights DESC members have on this subject and views on the appropriateness of the NDM profiles during this period.

7.0 DESC Survey Results (FOR INFORMATION)

- We shall feedback the results from the first survey of DESC members following the July meeting.

8.0 DESC/TWG 2021 Meeting Timetable (FOR INFORMATION)

- Dates for your diary as we have agreed a schedule of DESC and TWG meetings for 2021 with the Joint Office.