UNC Workgroup 0360 Minutes

Removal of Credit Rating Restrictions from Definition of Parent Company

Thursday 24 March 2011 at Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Tim Davis (Secretary)	(TD)	Joint Office

Alan Raper (ARa) National Grid Distribution
Alex Ross (ARo) Northern Gas Networks

Alison Jennings (AJ) xoserve Andrew Wallace (AW) Ofgem

Beverley Viney (BV) National Grid NTS

Brian Durber E.ON UK (BD) Chris Hill First Utility (CH) Clare Cantle-Jones (CCJ) ENA **Dave Turpin** (DT) Xoserve **David Watson** (DW) **British Gas Edward Coleman** (EC) E.ON UK Karen Kennedy (KK) Scottish Power

Jemma Woolston (JWo) Shell

Joanna Ferguson (JF) Northern Gas Networks Joel Martin (JM) Scotia Gas Networks

Jonathan Wisdom (JWi) RWE npower
Phil Broom (PB) GDF Suez
Stefan Leedham (SL) EDF Energy
Steve Mulinganie (SM) Gazprom

1. Introduction and Status Review

1.1. Minutes from the previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

2. Review Group Discussion

BF confirmed that draft legal text had been provided for consideration by the Workgroup. Following a brief discussion, no concerns were raised and the text was believed to be appropriate.

The Workgroup considered the Workgroup Report, which was completed on screen. It was agreed that the Panel should be recommended to issue the proposal to consultation and to make a recommendation at the May Panel meeting, such that an Ofgem decision could be received by the end of May.

SL asked, if the modification were implemented, would this be regarded as best practice for credit purposes and consequently for Transporter cost pass-through. The Transporters confirmed that they believed this was the case and that any change directed by Ofgem should be regarded as consistent with Ofgem's view of best practice.

3. AOB

None raised.

4. Diary Planning for Review Group

No further meetings are required, as the Workgroup has concluded its work.