

**UNC Workgroup 0389 Minutes
Simplification of Points of Telemetry
Wednesday 18 January 2012
at 31 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3LT**

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(TD)	Joint Office
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HCu)	Joint Office
Barry Purl*	(BP)	Scotia Gas Networks
Bethan Winter	(BW)	Wales & West Utilities
Dave Adlam	(DA)	National Grid Distribution
Dave Corby	(DC)	National Grid NTS
Dave Mitchel	(DM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Helga Clarke	(HC)	National Grid NTS
Jeanette Gregory	(JG)	National Grid Distribution
Keith Dixon	(KD)	Northern Gas Networks
Mike Wassell	(MW)	National Grid NTS
Phil Hobbins	(PH)	National Grid NTS
Rob Cameron-Higgs	(RCH)	Wales & West Utilities

* via teleconference

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1. Introduction

BF advised that this modification had been referred by the December 2011 Panel for consideration of the Final Modification Report. It had identified that the legal text is not consistent with the intent of the modification. Panel Members determined Modification 0389S should be returned to Workgroup to allow the consideration of the issues raised in consultation responses.

DC reported that revised legal text has been published and further clarity added to the modification. There were no changes to the intent of modification and he confirmed there was no intent to place additional obligations on the DNs by amending the minimal requirements.

2. Consideration of new issues raised in the consultation process

BP asked for clarity on the modification solution in response to Scotia Gas Network's (SGN) representation and the text to be inserted OAD Annex E-1 (d). He believed the text was unclear.

BP was concerned that the legal text had not been amended to ensure no additional obligations were placed on the DNs by the effect of changing minimal requirements. He was keen to understand that if there was no telemetry on site NTS were not expecting telemetry to be put on site to meet the minimum requirements. He also wanted to know what a site specific option was. DC provided a reference to the UNC to explain the definition of site-specific options and minimum requirements.

BP challenged why National Grid NTS require the outlet pressure and asked NTS to justify why they want it.

BP expressed concern about remote valves and the amendment to the comments within the legal text. He also believed additional comments could be provided in the table to provide a definition/further clarity. It was believed that the additional suggestions were more developmental issues in terms of the solution. However BP still believed that the legal text was not in line with the solution. BP wanted further clarity within the table he noted that extra costs should not be incurred by IDNs.

DC confirmed he would provide some clarity to BP as to the minimum requirements based on the SGN consultation response.

Action 0389 0001: National Grid NTS to provide a response to Scotia Gas Networks clarification points requested in their representation.

HC asked if the update to the table would have a retrospective affect, she anticipated that the updated table would only apply going forward and would apply to new connects or where a change is made to the supplemental agreement.

There were no other objections from the DNs or concerns expressed that the legal text was not in line with the solution or other issues than needed to be resolved.

3. Workgroup Report

The Workgroup report was concluded.

4. Diary Planning for Workgroup

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

If it is deemed another meeting is required it will take place within the business proceedings of the Offtake Arrangement Workgroup on 21 February 2012, 31 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3LT.

Workgroup Action Table

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0001	18/01/12	2.0	National Grid NTS to provide a response to Scotia Gas Networks clarification points requested in their representation.	National Grid NTS (DC)	Pending