UNC Workgroup 0395 Minutes Limitation on Retrospective Invoicing and Invoice Correction Monday 10 October 2011

at 31 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3LT

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office Joint Office
Helen Cuin (Secretary) Alan Raper	(TD) (AR)	
Alison Jennings	(AJe)	
Andy Lees	(AL)	National Grid NTS
Anne Jackson	(AJ)	SSE
Brian Durber	(BD)	
Chris Warner	(CW)	
Claire Thorneywork	(CT	National Grid NTS
Darren Jackson	(DJ)	Xoserve
David Addison	(DA)	
David Watson	(DW)	British Gas
Gareth Evans	(GE)	Waters Wye
Joanna Ferguson	(JF)	Northern Gas Networks
Karen Kennedy	(KK)	Scottish Power
Linda Whitcroft	(LW)	Xoserve
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Richard Vernon	(RV)	RWE npower
Sasha Pearce	(SP)	RWE npower
Simon Trivella	(ST)	Wales & West Utilities
Stefan Leedham	(SL)	EDF Energy
Steve Mulinganie	(SM)	Gazprom
Tabish Khan	(TK)	Ofgem

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1. Introduction and Status Review

1.1. Review of Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

1.2. Review of Actions

Action 0002: Establish the potential adjustment LSP volume on monthly and daily read sites.

Update: LW provided a Reconciliation Bulk Adjustments Presentation. **Complete.**

Action 0004: 01 April 2012 implementation date - Establish what notice from Ofgem was required.

Update: SL confirmed that the implementation date had been changed to 01 October 2012. **Complete.**

Action 0005: Xoserve to establish the likely number of neutral USRV reconciliations. **Update:** LW provided a USRV presentation reporting the number of USRVs that take over 4 months to resolve by Xoserve. In August 2011, 169 USRVs were over 20 months old.

MJ suggested that the Workgroup need to consider the period that a USRV covers not simply how long it takes to resolve. **Complete**

Action 0007: Xoserve to provide [further] information on energy corrections credits and debits.

Update: LW provided a Reconciliation Bulk Adjustments Presentation illustrating the overall totals per month for all Bulk and Offline NDM Adjustment invoices. SL asked if this could be broken down into the relative size of credits and debits. **Carried Forward.**

2. Discussion

The Workgroup considered the draft Workgroup Report.

AL provided a presentation on the Impact on LDZ Meter Error Reconciliation
Arrangements; this included a graph illustrating the cash impact with the current cut-off, a
3 year cut-off and a 2 year cut-off. AL highlighted that there is a potential for up to 28
months to pass before completing an Offtake Meter Reconciliation.

TK questioned what the number count difference was between the 2 year and 3 year cutoff.

Action 0008: National Grid to provide a count breakdown of offtake errors between the 2 and 3 Year cut-off.

GE confirmed his intent on raising a new topic surrounding LDZ NDM reconciliations for large errors to bring them back in line with legal statutes on limitations. He was concerned that the modification may impact parties who cannot prevent their customers seeking redress after the UNC obligations have cut off.

SL provided a presentation on Meter Errors illustrating over and under recorded meter errors. SL reported that 99.98% of meter errors are under recorded and only 0.33% are reported as over recorded. Potential solutions were presented.

The USRV payments were considered and the incentive's surrounding these. SL was concerned with expanding the modification too much.

ST acknowledged that Richard Street opposed both 0395 and 0398 Modifications at the UNC Panel Meeting. GE was unsure of the benefits of either modification. GE reported that National Grid NTS and Corona Energy are considering the legal interpretation of the Statute of Limitations - he was concerned about the repercussions.

ST was keen to wait for the ROM, it was anticipated that this would be ready for November.

3. Any Other Business

None raised.

4. Diary Planning for Workgroup

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

The next meeting of the Workgroup will take place within the business proceedings of the Distribution Workgroup, on 11 November 2011, 31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT.

Action Log – UNC Workgroup 0395

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0002	25/08/11	5.1	Establish the potential adjustment LSP volume on monthly and daily read sites.	Xoserve (LW)	Complete
0004	25/08/11	5.1	01 April 2012 implementation date - Establish what notice from Ofgem was required.	Xoserve (LW)	Complete
0005	12/09/11	3.0	Xoserve to establish the likely number of neutral USRV reconciliations.	Xoserve (LW)	Complete
0007	12/09/11	3.0	Xoserve to provide further information on energy corrections credits and debits.	Xoserve (LW)	Carried Forward
0008	10/10/11	2.0	National Grid to provide a count breakdown of offtake errors between the 2 and 3 Year cutoff.	National Grid NTS (AL)	Pending