UNC Workgroup 0401 Minutes Amendments to the provisions for agreeing pressures at the Offtakes from the National Transmission System to Distribution Networks

Tuesday 29 November 2011 at 31 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3LT

Attendees

Tim Davis (Chair)	(TD)	Joint Office
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HC)	Joint Office
Alison Chamberlain	(AC)	National Grid Distribution
Bethan Winter	(BW)	Wales & West Utilities
Dave Adlam	(DA)	National Grid Distribution
Dave Corby	(DC)	National Grid NTS
Fergus Healy	(FH)	National Grid NTS
Helga Clarke	(HC)	National Grid NTS
Jeanette Gregory	(JG)	National Grid Distribution
Keith Dixon	(KD)	Northern Gas Networks
Mark Amos	(MA)	National Grid NTS
Mike Wassell	(MW)	National Grid NTS
Phil Hobbins	(PH)	National Grid NTS
Rob Cameron-Higgs	(RCH)	Wales & West Utilities
Quenton Robert	(QR)	National Grid Distribution

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1. Review of Minutes and Actions

1.1 Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

1.2 Actions

No actions to review.

2. Discussion

AJ confirmed that National Grid Distribution is still considering the National Grid NTS initial representation and potential changes to the modification. It was anticipated that the Workgroup Report would be completed on 20 December 2011, in time for January's Panel meeting. However the Workgroup wished to request a one-month extension in case the deadline is missed.

JG then presented different scenarios where the flow swap was not possible, in its entirety or partially. MW believed that the revised OPN was not an ideal solution as this is not indicative of actual flows and he would prefer to receive evidence on the impact on the DNO. MW asked when the extra headroom is created for the next day at an offtake, how would National Grid NTS know this is for legitimate reasons.

MW asked about notice periods and within day flow swaps which may breach the within day tolerance. MW also wished to understand how DNs are going to quantify the impacts that they are seeking relief from. JG explained relief would only be required in the first hour - it was agreed that this would needed to be made clear in the modification.

It was recognised that the Modification needed to be amended and the legal text provided in time for consideration on 20 December 2011.

3. Legal Text

The Legal Text will be amended when changes are made to the modification.

4. Any Other Business

None raised.

5. Diary Planning for Review Group

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 Offtake Arrangement Workgroup, on 20 December 2011, 31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT.