# UNC Workgroup 0404 Minutes Profiling payment of LDZ capacity transportation charges for Small Shipper Organisations

# **Thursday 24 November 2011**

# at Elexon, 4th Floor, 350 Euston Road, London, NW1 3AW

#### **Attendees**

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office	
Alison Jennings	(AJe)	Xoserve	
Anne Jackson	(AJ)	SSE	
Brian Durber	(BD)	EON UK	
Cesar Coelho	(CC)	Ofgem	
Chris Warner	(CW)	National Grid Distribution	
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve	
Edward Hunter	(EH)	RWE npower	
Erika Melen	(EM)	Scotia Gas Networks	
Gareth Evans	(GE)	Waters Wye	
George Glen	(GG)	Scottish Power	
Karen Kennedy	(KK)	Scottish Power	
Linda Whitcroft	(LW)	Xoserve	
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	Shell	
Tim Davis (Secretary)	(TD)	Joint Office	

Copies of all papers are available at: http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0404/241111

#### 1.0 Outline of Modification and initial discussion

EM introduced the modification, explaining the background and intent. The modification had emerged in response to Modification 0383 and was looking to create a simple means by which small suppliers could profile their payments.

#### 2.0 Consider Terms of Reference

No further comments were received on the Terms of Reference.

#### 3.0 Initial Discussion

GE asked what the total exposure to the industry would be if this modification were to be implemented – if a Shipper failed at the start of a Gas Year, how much would exposure be increased if there were 100% take up by those eligible? Secondly, GE noted that this effectively provided credit at a given rate of interest. He would like to see how this compared with interest rates available elsewhere, in order to assess the attractiveness of the modification.

Action 001: Establish the maximum exposure with 100% take-up of the proposed arrangements (EM)

Action 002: Illustrate the interest rates implied by the modification (EM)

BD asked where any costs would lie, and it was clarified that the Transporters would bear the cost of any change in cashflow. CW added that it would be particularly helpful if those likely to take advantage of the modification could be encouraged to support assessment of the modification.

## 4.0 Any Other Business

None raised.

### 5.0 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 Distribution Workgroup, on 22 December 2011, 31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT.

# **ACTION LOG – UNC Workgroup 0404**

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0001	24/11/11	3.0	Establish the maximum exposure with 100% take-up of the proposed arrangements	SGN (EM)	
0002	24/11/11	3.0	Illustrate the interest rates implied by the modification	SGN (EM)	