

UNC Workgroup 0407 Minutes
Standardisation of notice periods for offtake rate changes for all
National Grid NTS Exit Users

Monday 22 April 2013

Consort, 06 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3QQ

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HCu)	Joint Office
Andy Hine	(AH)	National Grid NTS
Alice Etheridge	(AE)	National Grid NTS
Alison Chamberlain	(AC)	National Grid Distribution
Bethan Winter	(BW)	Wales & West Utilities
Chris Shanley	(CS)	National Grid NTS
David Corby	(DC)	National Grid NTS
David Mitchell	(DM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Helga Clarke	(HC)	National Grid NTS
Julie Cox*	(FC)	Energy UK
Mark Amos	(MA)	National Grid NTS
Mark Freeman	(MF)	National Grid Distribution
Tom Connolly	(TC)	Scottish Power

*via teleconference

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The Workgroup Report is due to the UNC Modification Panel by 18 July 2013.

1.0 Introduction and Status Review

1.1. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed.

CS and AE suggested the following amendments to the minutes on page 2.

CS confirmed a presentation was provided last month for the revised solution with a day ahead notice warning ~~if it is looking likely should~~ the rule ~~may~~ need to be turned on - this would be an enhanced capability. He confirmed that NTS could provide day ahead notices now, however they have only ever issued notices within day and he anticipated that the day ahead warning notice would be issued around 2-5% of the time.....

CS confirmed the before day notice could trigger the need for a ~~remit~~ notice but not in every circumstance, as not every notice would trigger the need to issue a remit.

National Grid NTS were examining the obligations around ~~remit~~ notices but it is not clear-cut at this stage that a ~~remit~~ notice will be issued with every day-ahead notice. CS ~~advised~~ confirmed that ~~the industry is looking at~~ a single platform has already been provided by National Grid on behalf of the gas industry for issuing ~~remit~~ notices. If there is an obligation to issue a remit this would be undertaken.

The minutes were then approved.

1.2. Actions

0301: National Grid NTS to provide historical examples of within day notices and the circumstances that triggered the notice.

Update: AE provided a presentation providing examples of National Grid NTS' actions and notices. **Complete.**

2.0 Discussion

The Workgroup discussed the presentation and the restrictions visible to National Grid NTS. MF explained that not all the DNs would be aware of the restrictions. AE summarised the six factors considered by National Grid NTS.

BW confirmed that the legal text for the modification was currently being considered.

BF noted that the modification originally raised by WWU had undergone some refinement during the Workgroup assessment process. She acknowledged that the modification is an improvement on the current situation but WWU still had concerns about the gaps within the SRFN process and that these would be raised as part of the consultation process.

The Workgroup deferred consideration of the Workgroup Report to allow for a further amendment and the provision of legal text. It was anticipated the Workgroup Report would be finalised in May to achieve the preferred implementation date by 01 October 2013.

3.0 Any Other Business

None raised.

4.0 Diary Planning for Review Group

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

The next meeting will take place within the business proceedings of the Offtake Arrangements Workgroup on:

Tuesday 21 May 2013, at 10:30, Consort House, 6 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3QQ

Action Table

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0301	26/03/13	2/0	Provide historical examples of within day notices and the circumstances that triggered the notice.	National Grid NTS (CS)	Complete