UNC Workgroup 0419 Minutes Redefining the capacity of the Specified Exit Point used in the calculation of the NTS Optional Commodity tariff

Thursday 03 May 2012

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

Attendees

Tim Davis (Chair)	(TD)	Joint Office
Lorna Dupont (Secretary)	(LD)	Joint Office
Charles Ruffell	(CR)	RWE npower
Chris Shanley	(CS)	National Grid NTS
Chris Wright	(CW)	Centrica
Colin Thomson	(CT)	Scotia Gas Networks
Debra Hawkin	(DH)	National Grid NTS
Deepak Mistry	(DM)	National Grid NTS
Derek Jamieson	(DJ)	ESBI
Erika Melen	(EM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Gerry Hoggan	(GH)	ScottishPower
Graham Jack	(GJ)	British Gas
Jeff Chandler	(JC)	SSE
Julie Cox	(JCx)	Energy UK
Lewis Hodgart	(LH)	Ofgem
Malcolm Arthur	(MA)	National Grid NTS
Mike Wassell	(MW)	National Grid NTS
Paul Mott	(PM)	EDF Energy
Phil Broom	(PB)	GDF Suez
Rekha Theaker	(RT)	Waters Wye
Richard Fairholme	(RF)	E.ON UK
Richard Hounslea	(RH)	National Grid NTS
Robert Cameron-Higgs*	(RCH)	Wales & West Utilities
Shelley Rouse	(SR)	Statoil (UK) Ltd
* by teleconference		

Copies of all papers are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0419/030512

1.0 Outline of Modification and initial discussion

TD summarised the key points of the modification, which had in essence been outlined at the previous Transmission Workgroup meeting.

DH confirmed that the new charges were to be effective from 01 October 2012, and that implementation was required on 01 October 2012. A decision would therefore be required before 01 August 2012 in order that the requirement to give two months' notice of changes to charges could be met.

RH confirmed that MNEPOR would be equal to or greater than that currently used. The rates will be affected by the position established after Exit Reform. DH and RH were happy for Users to contact them to discuss what rates for their specific sites would be under the MNEPOR methodology. DH confirmed that National Grid NTS would write to Shippers by 01 August 2012 regarding their affected sites. RH would provide an indication of the numbers to Ofgem (LH requested, but not for general circulation due to commercial confidentiality considerations) to give an indication of materiality.

The Workgroup considered that the intent of the modification was sufficiently clear and no further comments were offered.

2.0 Consider Terms of Reference

The Workgroup raised no issues regarding the Terms of Reference.

3.0 Consideration of Legal Text

No comments were received. The Workgroup considered that the draft text provided met the intent of the modification.

4.0 Completion of Workgroup Report

The impacts of the modification on the Relevant Objectives were considered and views were established. The Workgroup Report was reviewed and concluded. It will be submitted to the May Modification Panel meeting for consideration.

5.0 Any Other Business

None raised.

6.0 Diary Planning for Review Group

Further details of planned meetings are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary
No further meetings required.