UNC Workgroup 0420 Minutes New Connections Interruptible loads

Tuesday 10 July 2012 31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT

Attendees

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Chris Warner (CW) National Grid Distribution
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David Addison (DA) Xoserve

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Fergus Healy (FH) National Grid Transmission
Gareth Evans (GE) Waters Wye Associates
Joanna Ferguson (JF) Northern Gas Networks
Joel Martin (JM) Scotia Gas Networks

Jonathan Dixon* (JD) Ofgem

Kathy Heard (KH) National Grid Transmission

Lorna Lewin (LL) DONG Energy
Matt Smith (MS) Xoserve
Richard Vernon (RV) RWE npower
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*via teleconference

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1.0 Review of Minutes and Actions

1.1. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

1.2. Actions

No outstanding actions to review.

2.0 Discussion

No matters to discuss.

3.0 Legal Text

EM briefly explained the draft text provided for the modification and confirmed that this modification would only apply to new supply points and not existing supply points.

EM explained the use of a new supply point type, which would utilise existing operational processes, file flows and the notifications that would occur for the early use of capacity.

FH enquired about multiple connections in close geographical proximity. EM explained when reinforcement is being considered the reinforcement is not simply considered for one customer but an assessment is made for the entire network.

AJa asked about a backstop date for the site to be designated firm. EM confirmed that this would be provided in the contract.

4.0 Workgroup Report

The Workgroup report due to the UNC Modification Panel on 18 October 2012, was considered. The Workgroup concluded that the report should be submitted to the August UNC Panel meeting. It was agreed that the Workgroup Report would be published and if no further comments were submitted.

5.0 Any Other Business

None raised.

6.0 Diary Planning for Workgroup

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

No further meetings were planned however if the Workgroup wished to reconsider the Workgroup Report this could be scheduled within the business proceedings of the Distribution Workgroup.