UNC Workgroup 0424 Minutes Re-establishment of Supply Meter Points – prospective measures to address shipperless sites

Tuesday 12 June 2012 at 31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HC)	Joint Office
Alex Ross	(ARo)	Northern Gas Networks
Alison Jennings	(AJe)	Xoserve
Andrew Margan	(AM)	British Gas
Anne Jackson	(AJa)	SSE
Chris Warner	(CW)	National Grid Distribution
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
David Mitchell	(DM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Elaine Carr*	(EC)	ScottishPower
Erika Melèn	(EM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	DONG Energy
Marie Clarke	(MC)	Scottish Power
Richard Vernon	(EH)	RWE npower
Steve Mulinganie	(SM)	Gazprom
* by teleconference		

Copies of all papers are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0424/120612.

1.0 Outline of Modification and initial discussion

CW introduced the modification, explaining the intention was the same as Modification 0369 - Re-establishment of Supply Meter Points – measures to address shipperless sites, with the retrospective aspects and impacts removed.

CW explained the process that in the cases of an isolation and withdrawal, if during the GS(IU)R cut-off visit it is established that the same meter was still in situ or has been reconnected and the site is capable of offtaking gas, the Shipper would be asked to reregister the supply point. If the reregistration is not undertaken within a month, this would be undertaken on the behalf of the Shipper and any retrospective charges would be applied, he also explained that the costs for aborting the GS(IU)R cut-off would also be pursued. It was anticipated that the cost of the aborted visit would be in the region of £45, as the works that would have been planned for, would have to have to be aborted.

CW confirmed that the rules would only apply to isolations and withdrawals after the implementation of the modification.

The ROM produced for Modification 0369 was briefly discussed; the cost of the changes required under Modification 0424 was expected to be similar i.e. medium level change. AJe believed the modification could be implemented fairly quickly, as the changes can be made whilst the applicable GS(IU)R visits are being planned or taking place.

AJa asked if DNs would continue to notify Shippers when GS(IU)R visits were taking place. There was no expressed intention by the DNOs to change their current practise.

It was anticipated that the Workgroup Report could be completed at the next meeting.

2.0 Consider Terms of Reference

The Workgroup raised no issues regarding the Terms of Reference.

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
Workgroup meetings will take place within the Distribution Workgroup on: Tuesday 10 July 2012, 10:30, 31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT
Wednesday 08 August 2012, 10:30, 31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT