

## UNC Workgroup 0448 Minutes

### UNC alignment with Transporters' licence requirements for "Network Code and Uniform Network Code" relating to European Regulatory change

Thursday 04 April 2103

Energy Networks Association, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF

#### Attendees

|                          |       |                       |
|--------------------------|-------|-----------------------|
| Tim Davis (Chair)        | (TD)  | Joint Office          |
| Lorna Dupont (Secretary) | (LD)  | Joint Office          |
| Charles Ruffell          | (CR)  | RWE Npower            |
| Chris Wright             | (CW)  | Centrica              |
| Clement Perry            | (CP)  | Ofgem                 |
| Colin Williams           | (CW1) | National Grid NTS     |
| Erika Melen              | (EM)  | Scotia Gas Networks   |
| Ewan Thorburn            | (ET)  | Ofgem                 |
| Fergus Healy             | (FH)  | National Grid NTS     |
| Gerry Hoggan             | (GH)  | ScottishPower         |
| Graham Jack              | (GJ)  | Centrica              |
| James Thomson            | (JT)  | Ofgem                 |
| Jane Butterfield         | (JB)  | Gemserv               |
| Jeff Chandler            | (JC)  | SSE                   |
| Julie Cox                | (JCx) | Energy UK             |
| Mark Cockayne            | (MC)  | Xoserve               |
| Mike Wassell             | (MW)  | National Grid NTS     |
| Peter Bolitho            | (PB)  | Waters Wye Associates |
| Phil Broom               | (PB1) | GDF Suez              |
| Richard Griffiths        | (RG)  | National Grid NTS     |
| Richard Lea              | (RL)  | Gazprom               |
| Ritchard Hewitt          | (RH)  | National Grid NTS     |
| Sean McGoldrick          | (SM)  | National Grid NTS     |
| Steve Pownall            | (SP)  | National Grid NTS     |
| Tom Farmer               | (TF)  | Ofgem                 |

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The Workgroup Report is due to the UNC Modification Panel on 20 June 2013.

#### 1.0 Outline of Modification

SM introduced the modification and explained its purpose.

#### 2.0 Discussion

It was noted that the Code Governance Final Proposals had now been issued and the modification would be aligned to reflect these requirements.

ET sought clarification as to why the last paragraph on page 3 of the modification had been included. SM referred to licence condition SSC9.11(c) that allows the Authority to direct that an alternative should not be raised. ET believed that it

should be at the Authority's discretion and that this should be clarified. RH indicated that legal text needed to be developed and discussed.

CW asked if the SCR ruling needed to be changed. RH pointed out that the intent of this modification is only to put in place the Licence requirements; other issues could be addressed separately. It was suggested that the fast track modification process might be better addressed as a separate modification; SM indicated that it had broad industry support and could be reviewed in a month's time.

JCx believed there was no need to rush this modification but it would helpful to tidy it up. SM observed that Ofgem might think that it needs to have it implemented before October before the EU commitments. RH suggested it would be good to have it in place, as it will reflect the Licence; it may/may not include the fast track process – if this was too complex it might be separated out for individual development.

The relevant objectives were considered and it was agreed that (c) and (g) were facilitated.

#### *Next Steps*

JCx pointed out that it was important to have meeting papers issued in good time so parties could review and comment. RH confirmed that the legal text would be provided as soon as possible; he would like comments in advance so that if necessary the text could be revised and resubmitted for the May meeting.

The revised modification and the legal text were to be provided for review at the next meeting (02 May 2013), with a view to considering and completing a Workgroup Report.

### **3.0 Terms of Reference**

No issues were raised.

### **4.0 Any Other Business**

None raised.

### **5.0 Diary Planning for Review Group**

The next Workgroup meeting will take place within the business proceedings of Transmission Workgroup on Thursday 02 May 2013, at the Energy Networks Association, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF.