UNC Workgroup 0466/0466A Minutes Daily Meter Reading Simplification

Thursday 25 September 2014 at 31 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3LT

Attendees

Les Jenkins (Chair)	(LJ)	Joint Office
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HCu)	Joint Office
Alex Ross-Shaw	(ARS)	Northern Gas Networks
Andy Clasper	(AC)	National Grid
Anne Jackson	(AJ)	SSE
Chris Warner	(CW)	National Grid Distribution
Colette Baldwin	(CB)	E.ON UK
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
David Mitchell	(DM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Ed Hunter	(EH)	RWE npower
Hilary Chapman	(HCh)	Xoserve
Jeremy Guard	(JG)	First Utility
Kirsten Elliott-Smith	(KES)	Cornwall Energy
Richard Pomroy*	(RP)	Wales & West Utilites
Rob Johnson	(RJ)	Wingas
Steve Mulinganie*	(SM)	Gazprom
* via teleconference		

Copies of all papers are available at: <u>http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0466/250914</u> The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 16 October 2014.

1.0 Review of Minutes and Actions

1.1. Minutes

Approved.

1.2. Actions

None outstanding.

2.0 Workgroup Report

2.1. Amended Modification

See item 2.3.

2.2. Consideration of Legal text

See item 2.3.

2.3. Completion of Workgroup Report

During consideration of the Workgroup Report the Workgroup discussed in detail the User Pays elements associated with this modification.

DA believed there are two options to manage the changes to systems. He explained for either option the set up costs will be in the region of $\pounds 0$ to $\pounds 20,000$.

DA explained the option of setting up the IX configuration to allow Shippers to use it for non-commercial UK Link flows. This would incur a one off set up cost of $\pounds1000$ per User. He clarified this would not be classified as a User Pays costs however this cost would still need to be recovered through DNSP.

The Workgroup considered the apportionment of costs and whether this ought to be split by Shippers with DM customers or only by parties who wish to use the service. The Workgroup considered the maximum cost of £20,000 and the potential administrative cost of rebalancing User Pays costs proportionally. It was agreed that the costs should be shared amongst the Shippers proportionally across the DM market and attributed at a fixed date, smeared per supply point.

The decision to configure the IX and pay an additional £1000 would be a commercial decision.

SM enquired about the possibility of utilising existing Supplier IX communication flows and avoid some Shippers having to configure the IX when their Supplier information flow could be utilised. DA suggested this could be considered as an alternative system solution. However he highlighted that the obligations within the UNC may wish to be reviewed to ensure there was no unintended consequences of using a Supplier communication interface to meet obligations discharged to Shippers.

The Workgroup concluded the Workgroup Report.

3.0 Next Steps

The Workgroup Report will be submitted to the October UNC Panel.

4.0 Any Other Business

None.

5.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: <u>www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary</u> No further meeting were planned