# UNC Workgroup 0469S Minutes Transporter Gas Safety Visit Reporting Friday 08 November 2013

### Consort House, 6 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3QQ

#### **Attendees**

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Mike Berrisford (Secretary)	(MB)	Joint Office
Alan Raper	(AR)	National Grid Distribution
Alex Ross-Shaw	(ARS)	Northern Gas Networks
Andrew Margan	(AM)	British Gas
Chris Warner	(CW)	National Grid Distribution
Colette Baldwin	(CB)	E.ON UK
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
Dave Corby	(DC)	National Grid Transmission
David Mitchell	(DM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Erika Melén	(EM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Gareth Evans	(GE)	Waters Wye Associates
Hilary Chapman	(HC)	Xoserve
Kirsten Elliot-Smith	(KES)	Cornwall Energy
Les Jenkins	(LJ)	Joint Office
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	DONG Energy
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Nigel Williams*	(NW)	Wales & West Utilities
Richard Vernon	(RV)	RWE npower
Rob Johnson	(RJ)	Wingas
Steve Edwards*	(SE)	Wales & West Utilities
* via teleconference		

Copies of all papers are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0469/081113

The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 20 March 2014.

#### 1.0 Outline of Modification

AM introduced the modification and explained the rationale behind it, before indicating that it has been borne from a British Gas review of unallocated gas considerations. He went on to add that the modification has been raised within the UNC arena in preference to the SPAA area.

#### 2.0 Initial Discussion

In conducting a brief debate around the possible governance aspects relating to this modification, AR noted that it appears to cross UNC and SPAA provisions in terms of governance, this should be considered later during development of the modification.

It was suggested that perhaps the solution section would benefit from the inclusion of 0424 'Re-establishment of Supply Meter Points – prospective measures to address shipperless sites' and 0425V 'Re-establishment of Supply Meter Points – Shipperless sites' related considerations. It was acknowledged that some form of a 'feedback loop' would be required to avoid contravening 0425V provisions (i.e. reporting on the number of

potential sites where the service is not cut off, but capped instead etc.). AR suggested that there would be benefit in providing some definitions and supporting volumetric information around the bullet points contained in section 3. A new action was assigned to all parties to provide their views on any missing reporting items they would like to see added to the list in section 3 and also consider whether the report(s) should be anonymous or named.

The Workgroup considered whether or not, the modification could / would fall into the scope of the Performance Assurance Framework arrangements in due course – consensus being that it could.

Whilst not rejecting the modification per se, EM indicated that to her it feels more like a Supplier Licence issue, with an element of Transporter Performance Reporting thrown in, and as a consequence, questioned if the UNC is the best forum under which to discuss the matter. Responding, AM pointed out that he had approached the Transporters for a view on where the modification would best sit, and in the absence of a response, British Gas has decided to raise it under the auspices of the UNC. It was acknowledged that 'finding a suitable home' for the modification is difficult, because whilst it is not directly related to a Code provision, it is charged for via the Transportation charges – it was agreed that in this sense, the modification is a bit of a misfit.

AR suggested that the solution would need to be developed further before any work could / should commence on preparation of the legal text. It was suggested that legal text provision prioritising could potentially have a significant impact on progressing the modification. Responding, AR advised that the prioritisation is undertaken in a fair and even handed way.

Action 0469 11/01: All parties to provide their views on any missing reporting items they would like to see added to the list in section 3 of the modification and to also consider whether the report(s) should be Shipper or industry based.

#### 3.0 Any Other Business

None.

#### 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 as follows:

Time / Date		Venue	Workgroup Programme	
	10:30 on Tuesday 10 December 2013	Consort House, 6 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3QQ	Workgroup discussion	

## **Action Table**

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0469 11/01	08/11/13	2.0	To provide their views on any missing reporting items they would like to see added to the list in section 3 of the modification and to also consider whether the report(s) should be Shipper or industry based.	All	Update to be provided.