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**UNC Workgroup 0493 Minutes  
EU Gas Balancing Code – Daily Nominations at Interconnection  
Points (IP)**

**Tuesday 23 September 2014  
31 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3LT**

**Attendees**

Les Jenkins (Chair)	(LJ)	Joint Office
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HC)	Joint Office
Andrew Blaire*	(AB)	Interconnector UK
Anna Shrigley*	(AS)	ENI
Chris Shanley	(CS)	National Grid NTS
David Tennant	(DT)	Dentons
Graham Jack	(GJ)	Centrica
Isabelle-Agnes Magne*	(IAM)	GDF Suez
Lucy Manning*	(LM)	Interconnector UK
Phil Lucas	(PL)	National Grid NTS
Richard Fairholme	(RF)	E.ON UK

*\*via teleconference*

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*The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 16 October 2014.*

**1. Introduction and Status Review**

**1.1. Minutes**

Approved

**1.2. Actions**

None outstanding

**2. Business Rules**

PL confirmed that the business rules have been finalised and the legal text produced based on the rules.

**3. Legal Text Principles for Implementation of EU Code Driven Change**

DT referred to the “Approach to legal text for European Modifications” paper issued. He summarised the changes required to the relevant sections of the UNC and the proposed EID document. To ensure consistency of the concept he clarified which rules would need to be moved from the UNC into the EID document. DT also referred to the “Skeleton of Legal Text for European Modifications” document to illustrate the consolidated approach required.

#### 4. Legal Text

DT referred to the [Reference Version of EID A](#) and summarised the changes highlighted in yellow and the new definitions for Modification 0493. PL also highlighted to the Workgroup that a [Legal Text Commentary](#) document had been provided.

CS noted the requirement to review and remove any square brackets in the draft text.

GJ asked how National Grid NTS are going to manage the overarching changes required and how these will be presented for each modification. CS clarified the intention will be to produce and implement consolidated text as a whole with a consistent implementation date. The Workgroup discussed the management of the legal text amendments particularly if one European modification proceeds ahead of the others or if any modification does not proceed. National Grid NTS clarified the legal text would be altered if any implementation issues are encountered. LJ suggested National Grid NTS discuss the implementation approach with Ofgem.

GJ suggested the changes to Section A should be made to include all new definitions relating to Sections B, D and D at the outset.

AB enquired about the definitions relating to the interconnector system and the use of different references. DT agreed to review the definitions to ensure consistency.

The Workgroup considered the [Draft Legal Text](#) for Modification 0493. DT provided in detail an explanation of the text.

The Workgroup considered the changing roles relating to the Interconnector Agreements; initiating roles, matching roles and notice periods. CS confirmed National Grid NTS were not intending to change the current way of working. GJ was concerned about how the changes piece together and if in future National Grid NTS need to change any terms / roles, how these might impact on Shippers. LJ suggested National Grid NTS might want to consider consulting with parties on the proposed changes to obtain a view from stakeholders.

National Grid agreed the following discussion points:

- Elimination of square brackets in the European consolidated legal text.
- National Grid NTS to consider discussing the European implementation approach and management of Legal Text for European Modifications with Ofgem.
- National Grid NTS and Dentons to review the interconnector definitions with the Legal Text.
- Workgroup 0500 to review the European consolidated Legal Text.
- Consider views on the Interconnector Framework as a whole.

AB enquired about single side nominations. CS provided clarity on the definition of single sided nominations. Although these are treated as one communication the delivery would be two nominations.

A small number of points were noted for clarity by Denton to consider for the draft legal text.

National Grid NTS agreed to provide a further draft of the legal text.

PL provided an [update on the Nominations Framework](#). The Workgroup considered the roles of the various parties and finalising the framework.

**5. Workgroup Report**

The Workgroup reviewed the [Draft Workgroup Report](#). The Workgroup concluded the Workgroup Report for submission to the UNC Modification Panel in October 2014.

**6. Diary Planning**

*Further details of planned meetings are available at: [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary)*

No further Workgroup meetings were planned.