UNC Workgroup 0506 Minutes Gas Performance Assurance Framework and Governance Arrangements

Tuesday 28 October 2014

Energy Networks Association, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road London SW1P 2AF

Attendees

Bob Fletcher Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Ian Hollington (Secretary)	(IH)	Joint Office
Andy Clasper	(AC)	National Grid Gas Distribution
Andy Miller	(AMi)	Xoserve
Andrew Margan	(AM)	British Gas
Angela Love	(AL)	ScottishPower
Chris Warner	(CW)	National Grid Distribution
Colette Baldwin	(CB)	E.ON
Ed Hunter	(EH)	RWE Npower
Emma Lyndon	(EL)	Xoserve
John Peters	(JP)	Engage
Jon Dixon	(JD)	Ofgem
Jonathan Kiddle	(JK)	EDF Energy
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Naomi Anderson	(NA)	Engage
Steve Mulinganie*	(SM)	Gazprom

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The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 18 December 2014.

1.0 Review of Minutes and Actions

1.1. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

1.2. Actions

0901: All parties to provide specific views on why Xoserve should/should not be included in the Performance Assurance regime (in whole or in part).

Update: AL confirmed that no updates had been received. She agreed to work offline with CB to document the areas of concern. **Closed**

Transferred Actions

Following discussion and agreement the following two actions (PA0801 and PA0802) were transferred from the Performance Assurance Framework Workgroup to the responsibility of this Workgroup and will be reviewed at the next meeting (28 October 2014):

PA0801: ScottishPower (AL) to examine the electricity market model for nominating and warranting of (the equivalent Review Framework) Committee members.

Update: AL agreed to email an update to the Joint Office for publication and asked for this item to be carried forward. **Carried forward**

PA0802: All to look at potential options for the Review Framework Committee (including terms of reference, quoracy requirements, etc.) composition and supporting election processes.

Update: AL to provide an outline of the potential options for discussion at the next meeting. **Carried forward**

2.0 Discussion

The Workgroup discussed whether Modification 0506 should proceed on its own or be coupled with 0483. AL's view was to keep them separate, a view that AMa agreed with although it was noted that Ofgem would probably prefer to consider related Performance Assurance modifications as a package. BF asked for a realistic timescale in order for the modification to be implemented by 15 October 2015, commenting that he did not wish to repeatedly request extensions. It was decided that due to the complexity of the business rules an April reporting date would be appropriate.

AMa asked if costs and benefits should be included in the Draft Workgroup Report and AL asked JD for his opinion. JD referred the group to a presentation he had given in June 2013, which concluded that this modification did not provide any tangible benefits as it facilitated the regime being put in place.

The discussion moved onto Xoserve's inclusion and role in the scheme and JD advised that the rules and risks should be reviewed first and then a decision on whether Xoserve should be included would be based on the findings of the review.

AL stated that Scottish Power's view was that this should be an independent tender exercise and if Xoserve apply they should be subject to the rules of the regime. This may make them eligible or not depending on the none codified activities they are involved in. She referred to her action under 0901,(listed above) and her intention to review the areas of concern in light of the post Nexus regime.

CB expressed concerns over the timescales proposed for the tender process and AL and AMa discussed the benefits of the framework and how this could affect customer behaviour.

BF brought the discussions to a close citing the requirement for 0506 and 0483 to be linked but kept as separate modifications and that it would desirable if they went out to consultation together.

3.0 Legal Text

This was not discussed at today's meeting.

4.0 Workgroup Report

This was not discussed at today's meeting

5.0 Any Other Business

None raised.

6.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 26 November 2014 and will be accommodated within the business proceedings of the Performance Assurance Framework Workgroup.

Workgroup meetings will take place as follows:

Time/Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme		
10:30 26 November 2014	Energy UK (Room F61)	development of Business Rules		
10:30 16 December 2014	Energy UK (Room LG8)	development of Business Rules		
10:30 13 January 2015	To be confirmed [see note 0483]	To be confirmed		
10:30 24 February 2015	Energy Networks Association (Room 4)	To be confirmed		

Action Table

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
PA 0801	05/08/14		To examine the electricity market model for nominating and warranting of (the equivalent Review Framework) Committee members.	ScottishPower (AL)	(Transferred from PAWG on 30/09/14) Carried forward
PA 0802	05/08/14		To look at potential options for the Review Framework Committee (including terms of reference, quoracy requirements, etc.) composition and supporting election processes.	All	(Transferred from PAWG on 30/09/14) Carried forward
0901	30/09/14		All parties to provide specific views on why Xoserve should/should not be included in the Performance Assurance regime (in whole or in part).	ALL Parties	Closed