
UNC Workgroup 0541/A/B Minutes
Removal of uncontrollable UNC charges at ASEPs which include
sub-terminals operating on a 06:00 - 06:00 Gas Day

Tuesday 16 February 2016

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Attendees

Les Jenkins (Chair)	(LJ)	Joint Office
Lorna Dupont (Secretary)	(LP)	Joint Office
Andrew Pearce	(AP)	BP Gas
Anna Tostevin	(AT)	Dentons
Edward Freeman	(EF)	Ofgem
Francisco Gonçalves	(FG)	Gazprom
Graham Jack	(GJ)	Centrica
Justin Goonesinghe	(JG)	National Grid NTS
Lucy Manning	(LM)	Gazprom
Natasha Ranatunga	(NR)	EDF Energy
Nick Wye	(NW)	Waters Wye Associates
Phil Lucas	(PL)	National Grid Transmission
Steve Nunnington	(SN)	Xoserve

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The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by **21 April 2016**.

1.0 Introduction

LJ welcomed all to the meeting.

2.0 Review of Minutes and Actions

2.1 Minutes (19 January 2016)

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

2.2 Actions

0101: Xoserve (SN) to provide feedback on the 'Back Stop' period.

Update: SN reported that Shippers have 18 months to dispute a charge on the Energy Balancing invoice (longer if end users are involved). **Closed.**

0102: BP Gas (AP) and Gazprom (FG) to produce an explanation narrative summary for Appendix 3.

Update: Provided and included. **Closed.**

3.0 Review Formal Amendments to Modifications 0541A and 0541B

3.1 Modification 0541A

The revisions made to the Solution, and other minor changes, were understood and accepted. It was noted that the Solution (Business Rules) still contained square brackets; AP will remove these.

3.2 Modification 0541B

The revisions made to the Solution, and other minor changes, were understood and accepted. It was noted that the Solution (Business Rules) still contained square brackets; FG will remove these.

4.0 Review of Legal Text for Modifications 0541A and 0541B

4.1 Modification 0541B

AT guided the Workgroup through the legal text, explaining the additions and the changes made to the various sections.

There were a number of references to '17th' and '19th' Business Day; it was suggested and agreed that each of these references in respect of the timing of the calculation should be checked and amended if appropriate (in the Solution and the legal text).

It was noted that the text still contained square brackets; AT confirmed these would be removed.

4.2 Modification 0541A

AT guided the Workgroup through the legal text, explaining the additions and the changes made to the various sections. Noting these were changes as to when adjustments should be made, PL drew attention to the parts where this text differed to that provided for Modification 0541B.

There were a number of references to '17th' and '19th' Business Day; it was suggested and agreed that each of these references in respect of the timing of the calculation should be checked and amended if appropriate (in the Solution and the legal text).

It was noted that the text still contained square brackets; AT confirmed these would be removed.

4.3 General

PL agreed to provide a copy of the Schedule of GMT Terminals referred to in TPD Section A2.2.3(b), for publication alongside the Workgroup Report. It was suggested that this should also include a list of the ASEPs to be regarded as GMT ASEPs, together with the GMT sub-terminals impacted by them.

LJ observed that it was difficult to have a retrospective period after the implementation date; this was briefly discussed and agreed that go-live should be on the first day of the month following an implementation decision as this would remove the concern.

5.0 Completion of Workgroup Report

The Workgroup reviewed and discussed the draft content of the report. Adjustments to statements were made on screen following Workgroup's consideration and agreement.

User Pays - PL provided some figures for inclusion in this section.

Relevant Objectives - Proposers' Views - Assessed and agreed.

Justification for Retrospectivity - Assessed and agreed.

Relevant Objectives - Assessed and agreed.

Implementation - Assessed and agreed.

Workgroup Recommendation to the UNC Modification Panel

The Workgroup considered its recommendations to the UNC Modification Panel. The Workgroup agreed that the Panel should be requested to:

- note that the costs described in this Workgroup report are 'High Level Costs (HLCs)' only and that there is a delay before the corresponding change to the Agency Charging Statement will be prepared. (The Workgroup recommended that Consultation should not be delayed, since the HLC costs provided were considered to be adequate for respondents to form an opinion.)
- include a Consultation question that specifically seeks respondents' views on the applicability of the proposed User Pays arrangements.

It was recommended that these modifications should be submitted for Consultation.

6.0 Next Steps

LJ summarised the requirements to complete the Workgroup's report.

- The Proposers to revise and submit amended modifications that have all square brackets removed (only).
- The Legal text for both modifications to be revised and resubmitted.
- PL to provide a Schedule of GMT Sub-Terminals/ASEPs, etc, for publication alongside the Workgroup Report.

Noting the amendments to be made, the Workgroup agreed that it did not require a further meeting to review the revised text and that it was happy for the report to be finalised (on receipt of the above).

The Workgroup Report will be submitted to the March UNC Modification Panel for its consideration.

7.0 Diary Planning

No further meetings were required.

Action Table (16 February 2016)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0101	19/01/16	5.0	Xoserve (SN) to provide feedback on the 'Back Stop' period.	Xoserve (SN)	Closed
0102	19/01/16	5.0	BP Gas (AP) and Gazprom (FG) to produce an explanation narrative summary for Appendix 3.	BP Gas (AP) and Gazprom (FG)	Closed