

UNC Workgroup 0553 Minutes
Removal of National Grid LNG Storage UNC TPD Section Z
obligations and associated cross references
Thursday 01 October 2015
Energy Networks Association, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF

Attendees

Les Jenkins (Chair)	(LJ)	Joint Office
Lorna Dupont (Secretary)	(LD)	Joint Office
Anna Shrigley	(AS)	Eni
Colin Hamilton	(CH)	National Grid NTS
David Reilly	(DR)	Ofgem
Graham Jack	(GJ)	Centrica
Jeff Chandler	(JC)	SSE
Joel Martin*	(JM)	Scotia Gas Networks
John Costa	(JCo)	EDF Energy
Kirsten Elliott-Smith	(KES)	Cornwall Energy
Maggie Steven	(MS)	National Grid LNG Storage
Pavanjit Dhesi	(PD)	Interconnector UK
Phil Hobbins	(PH)	National Grid NTS
Steve Nunnington	(SN)	Xoserve

**via teleconference*

Copies of all papers are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0553/011015

The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel on 15 October 2015.

1.0 Review of Minutes (03 September 2015)

The minutes were approved.

2.0 Workgroup Report

The draft Workgroup Report was reviewed.

The Workgroup considered impacts and costs. JM continued to have concerns regarding liquified gas costs, but accepted that the liquification costs were funded, and effectively sunk costs. He agreed that the matter was outside the scope of this modification and supported the impacts statement drafted for the Report.

It was recognised it was difficult to quantify with any great accuracy at this stage, as it depended on how much gas remained at the end of April. It was possible that 10-15 GWh might be left; MS explained how gas would be allocated at the final stage of decommissioning. GJ pointed out there were likely to be regasification costs.

2.1 Relevant Objectives

It was agreed that the modification facilitated relevant objective (f).

2.2 Legal Text

MS explained that some minor changes were required to the Supporting Information provided alongside the modification. These were not believed to be material.

The Workgroup reviewed the legal text and no issues were raised.

2.3 Self Governance Status

The status of the modification was discussed; there was a majority view that this would have no material impact on competition, and it was suggested that Panel be asked to reconsider whether or not this should now be designated a self-governance modification.

2.4 Recommendation(s) to Panel

The Workgroup recommended that this Modification 0553 be issued for consultation, and that Panel reconsider its current status.

3.0 Next Steps

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

4.0 Diary Planning

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

No further Workgroup meetings were required.