

UNC Workgroup 0571 0571A Minutes
Application of Ratchet Charges to Class 1 Supply Points (and
Class 2 with an AQ above 73,200kWhs)
Thursday 25 August 2016
at Elexon, 4th Floor, 350 Euston Road, London NW1

Attendees

Andy Clasper	(AC)	National Grid Distribution
Angela Love*	(AL)	ScottishPower
Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
David Mitchell	(DM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Fraser Mathieson	(FM)	Scotia Gas Networks
James Hill*	(JH)	EDF Energy
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	DONG Energy
Maitrayee Bhowmich-Jewkes*	(MBJ)	RWE npower
Mark Jones*	(MJ)	SSE
Mike Berrisford (Secretary)	(MB)	Joint Office
Rachel Hinsley	(RH)	Xoserve
Sean Hayward	(SH)	Ofgem
Shanna Key	(SK)	Northern Gas Networks
Steve Mullinganie	(SM)	Gazprom

* via teleconference

Copies of all papers are available at: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0571/250816>

The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 17 November 2016.

1.0 Introduction and Status Review

BF explained that due to unavoidable circumstances, the Proposer of UNC Modification 0571A is unable to attend the meeting and sends her apologies.

As a consequence discussions at today's meeting would be limited in scope.

1.1. Review of Minutes (28 July 2016)

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

2.0 Workgroup Report

2.1. Consideration of amended modification (s), where appropriate

Modification 0571

SM provided an overview of the recent changes made to the modification during which attention was focused on the Section 2 – Why Change? Changes and the 'Through the general view expressed.....' Statement, which not all parties agreed with. Responding, SM agreed to reconsider the wording and confirm why a threshold of 2 million therms has been referenced.

When asked why therms rather than kWh's is referenced, SM suggested that this is probably because due to historical references and that it was a well understood term in the industry, however he would also consider providing both sets of values as part of an additional amendment to the modification.

Moving on, SM suggested that the Ofgem decision on a revised Project Nexus Implementation Date might well be provided before the next Workgroup meeting and that this would inform potential implementation dates and considerations.

Modification 0571A

In the absence of the Proposer, BF advised those in attendance that to date an amended version of the modification has not been forthcoming and therefore the Workgroup discussion should be deferred to the next meeting.

2.2. Completion of Workgroup Report

Consideration deferred.

3.0 Review of Outstanding Actions

Action 0702: Xoserve (RH) to supply information on the following:- Supply Points above 73,200kWh, separated out into AQ banding and total energy.

Update: RH advised that a copy of the information would be provided to the Joint Office for publication after the meeting. **Closed**

Action 0703: Ofgem (SH) to provide a view on User Pays for these modifications.

Update: SH provided a brief resume of the Guidance Document definition for User Pays after which it was agreed to close the action. **Closed**

4.0 Next Steps

Subject to the Proposer of 0571A providing an amended modification in time for consideration at the September meeting, it is hoped that the Workgroup Report would be considered at the next meeting and completed should legal text be available.

5.0 Any Other Business

5.1. Ratchets Presentation by Xoserve

RH provided a brief overview of the presentation during which she agreed to try to identify how many erroneous reads have been encountered during the Xoserve assessment.

In examining the new Modification 0571 / 0571A requirements that are not currently within the scope of Project Nexus delivery, SM reminded everyone that these only relate to the application of any charges before indicating that he would be happy to seek the most cost effective solutions.

5.2. Workgroup Terms of Reference Amendments

When BF provided an update on the Panel’s proposed / recommended amendments to the terms of reference, SM suggested that the changes are possibly more relevant to Modification 0571A. Furthermore, he believes that the Network Sensitivity debate is a completely separate issue to the frequency of meter reading submission.

6.0 Diary Planning

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 Thursday 22 September	Consort House, 6 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3QQ	Standard Agenda items including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consideration of amended

2016		modification(s) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development / Completion of Workgroup Report
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Action Table (28 July 2016)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0702	28/07/16	1.0	To supply information on the following:- Supply Points above 73,200kWh, separated out into AQ banding and total energy.	Xoserve (RH)	Update provided. Closed
0703	28/07/16	1.0	To provide a view on User Pays for these modifications.	Ofgem (SH)	Update provided. Closed