
UNC Shrinkage Forum Minutes
Tuesday 15 January 2013
via teleconference

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office of Gas Transporters
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HC)	Joint Office of Gas Transporters
Geoff Goldie	(GG)	Northern Gas Networks
Ian Dunston	(ID)	Wales & West Utilities
John Morrison	(JM)	Northern Gas Networks
Rawinder Basra	(RB)	Scotia Gas Networks
Rob Cameron-Higgs	(RCH)	Wales & West Utilities
Rochelle Harrison	(RH)	British Gas
Roy Malin	(RMa)	National Grid Distribution
Steve Armstrong	(SA)	National Grid Distribution
Steve Edwards	(SE)	Wales & West Utilities
Tom Wythall	(TW)	Wales & West Utilities
Will Guest	(WG)	Northern Gas Networks

Meeting papers can be found at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/sf/150113

1. Introduction and Status Review

1.1. Review of Minutes

The minutes of previous meeting on 10 December 2012 were accepted.

1.2. Review of Actions Outstanding

SF0601: Transporters to provide a breakdown of 2010 Theft of Gas upstream incidents, ie the number of cases reported, the number of proven cases, an estimate of energy and an LDZ breakdown for consideration at the next meeting.

Update: SE (WWU) believed this action was being taken forward through Modification 0399's suite of reporting. He believed the reports would be available at the next Distribution Workgroup meeting. RH requested that the report is also provided to the Shrinkage Forum. A standard agenda item was suggested for the review of Modification 0399 reports. **Complete.**

SF0801A: Transporters to collate the approaches taken to auditing shrinkage model inputs and outputs, and consider introducing a consistent approach.

Update: RM confirmed the final proposals for Shrinkage are due at the end of February. SE explained that new licence obligation come into force on 01 April 2013 and that the DNS need to look at the new obligations and work through them. It was agreed to raise a standard agenda item to look at Best Practise. **Complete.**

2. Initial Shrinkage Proposals

RH expressed concern that the baseline had only been added to the National Grid Distribution proposals.

Action 0101: All DNs to add the proposed leakage model impact figures to Section 2 and Section 3.1.1. within the Shrinkage Proposals and republish by the end of January.

RH noted that the RIIO-GD1 Final proposal shrinkage allowances appear to be by Network opposed to LDZ, she enquired how the East Midlands area would specifically be treated. RM believed some apportionment may be required based on a basic methodology or historical base lines. RH asked each DN to provide the LDZ apportionment values.

Action 0102: Each DN to provide apportionment values by LDZ for the Shrinkage Proposals.

3. Update on Proposed Leakage Model Changes

AGI Venting

RM confirmed an update would be provided at the next meeting to go through the processes required, changes to the incentive regime and changes to baselines. He explained that an agreed methodology is required for non-enduring events, which would require a formal modification.

It was anticipated that one adjustment would be undertaken for the AGI Venting and Low Pressure changes.

RM was not anticipating any information being available on the volume impacts for February's meeting. However, RH was keen to understand by the next meeting when the volume models would be ready.

Low Pressure Leakage Model Shrinkage Adjustment 2013/14

No further update.

4. Any Other Business

None raised.

5. Diary Planning

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

The next Shrinkage Forum meetings will take place:

09:30 on Tuesday 12 February 2013 via Teleconference

Action Table

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
SF0601	28/06/11	1.1	WWU to provide a breakdown of 2010 Theft of Gas upstream incidents, ie the number of cases reported, the number of proven cases, an estimate of energy and an LDZ breakdown.	WWU (RCH)	Complete
SF0801A	28/09/11	1.2	All Transporters to collate the approaches taken to auditing shrinkage model inputs and outputs, and consider introducing a consistent approach.	All DNOs	Complete
SF0101	15/01/13	2.0	Add the proposed leakage model impact figures to Section 2 and Section 3.1.1. within the Shrinkage Proposals and republish by the end of January.	All DNOs (except National Grid)	Pending
SF0101	15/01/13	2.0	Each DN to provide apportionment values by LDZ for the Shrinkage Proposals.	All DNOs	Pending