Joint Office of Gas Transporters

Uniform Network Code Committee

Minutes of the 125th Meeting held on Thursday 21 August 2014

at ENA, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF

Attendees

Voting Members:

Shipper Representatives	Transporter Representatives		
A Green (AG), Total	C Warner (CW), National Grid Distribution		
A Margan (AM), British Gas	E Melen (EM), Scotia Gas Networks		
P Broom (PM), GDF Suez	J Ferguson (JF), Northern Gas Networks		
R Fairholme (RF), E.ON UK	R Pomroy (RP), Wales & West Utilities		
S Muliganie (SM), Gazprom	R Hewitt (RH), National Grid NTS		

Non-Voting Members:

Chairman	Ofgem Representative	Consumer Representative
L Jenkins (LJ), Joint Office	A Rooney (AR), Ofgem	C Alexander (Citizens Advice)

Also in Attendance:

A Clasper (AC), National Grid Distribution; A Miller (AM), Centrica Storage; A Gordon* (AGo), DNV GL; D Addison (DA), Xoserve; F Cottam (FC), Xoserve; I Hollington (IH), Joint Office; K Elliott-Smith (KES), Cornwall Energy; M Jones* (MJ), SSE; N Cole* (NC), Xoserve; P Hamilton (PH), SSE and R Fletcher (RF), Secretary

^{*} by teleconference

125.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting

A Margan for C Wright (British Gas)

E Melen for A Musgrave (Scotia Gas Networks)

R Pomroy for S Edwards (Wales & West Utilities)

S Muliganie for A Barnes (Gazprom)

125.2 Apologies for Absence

A Barnes, A Musgrave, C Wright and S Edwards.

125.3 Minutes and Actions from the previous meeting

The Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

125.4 Matters for the Committee's Attention

a) Consideration of the Proposed Allocation of Unidentified Gas Statement

FC explained the process for approving the AUGS as set out in the AUG Guidelines and UNC and included in the presentation published for the meeting.

FC asked members to note that the response provided by ICoSS is still being considered by the AUGE as it is based on the previous years data and was submitted at the end of the consultation window.

SM questioned why the ICoSS submission is being considered as late, when in previous years this was not the case and responses were considered after this date, which in turn lead to changes made by the AUGE. LJ advised that the previous years responses were not on the statement but the table, which is later in the process and contains numbers to be applied and not just the methodology.

AGo explained that in the AUGEs view, the response from ICoSS was related to data and not to the methodology in the statement, therefore these comments should be considered when the final values are reviewed later in the process.

PB challenged the inclusion of a DM threshold in the AUGS and felt this was outside the methodology. FC clarified that this was raised during discussions on the draft AUGS as the AUGE had been asked to confirm the materiality.

FC gave an overview of the next steps in the process. SM wanted a caveat included that, should the Committee accept the AUGE assuranced that the ICoSS report is not raising any changes to the methodology, that it should be reopened should it be discovered later that the methodology is impacted. LJ explained that the Guidelines did not allow for an AUGE view at this stage of the process and that it was for Committee members to make a decision on any challenge to the methodology.

FC noted that no party is proposing a change to the methodology in the AUGS at this time FC confirmed the process locks out the methodology on or around the 01 September; therefore no changes will be possible to the methodology after this time.

LJ asked members to confirm if there was a request for a change to the methodology in the AUGS at this time? No changes were proposed.

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AM asked for the process to be clarified or changes proposed so that this same issue is not encountered next year. SM proposed that consideration is deferred until 01 September to allow more time for potential impacts on the AUGS to be analysed based on the ICoSS report. Members unanimously agreed to meet to approve the AUGS at 09.00hrs on 02 September 2014.

125.5 Any Other Business

None raised.

125.6 Next Meeting

Tuesday 02 September 2014 at 09.00, by teleconference.

Thursday 18 September 2014, at the ENA, immediately after the UNC Modification Panel meeting.

Action Table - UNCC

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Status Update