

**Record of Determinations: Panel Meeting, 30 May 2013**

Modification	Vote Outcome				Transporter Voting Members					Consumer Representative	Determination Sought	
		AG	AMa	PB	AR	DM	JF	RH	RCH	CH		
0456 – Revision to the treatment of Allocation of Unidentified Gas for the 2013/14 AUG Year	The Panel did not recommend that the modification should follow Urgent procedures with a unanimous vote against	X	NP	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Recommend to the Authority that the modification should follow Urgent procedures

KEY	In favour	Not in Favour	No Vote Cast	Not Present
		✓	X	NV

**UNC Modification Panel**

**Minutes of the 143<sup>rd</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 30 May 2013 via teleconference**

**Attendees**

**Voting Members:**

<b>Shipper Representatives</b>	<b>Transporter Representatives</b>	<b>Consumer Representative</b>
A Green (AG), Total A Manning (AMa), British Gas P Broom (PB), GDF Suez	A Raper (CWa), National Grid Distribution and alternate for R Hewitt (RH), National Grid NTS D Mitchell (DM), Scotia Gas Networks J Ferguson (JF), Northern Gas Networks R Cameron-Higgs (RCH), Wales & West Utilities	C Hill (CH), Consumer Focus

**Non-Voting Members:**

<b>Ofgem Representative</b>	<b>Terminal Operators' Representative</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
J Dixon		T Davis (TD), Joint Office

**Also in Attendance:**

A Miller (AMi), Xoserve; E Thorburn (ET), Ofgem; F Cottam (FC), Xoserve; and R Fletcher (RF), Panel Secretary.

## Record of Discussions

### 133.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting

A Manning for C Wright (British Gas)

A Raper for C Warner (National Grid Distribution) and R Hewitt (National Grid NTS)

D Mitchell for A Musgrave (Scotia Gas Networks)

R Cameron-Higgs for S Edwards (Wales & West Utilities)

### 133.2 Record of Apologies for absence

A Musgrave, C Warner, C Wright, R Hewitt and S Edwards.

### 133.3 Consider New, Urgent Modifications

- a) Modification 0456 – Revision to the treatment of Allocation of Unidentified Gas for the 2013/14 AUG Year

TD explained that Ofgem had requested the Panel's view as to whether or not urgent procedures should be followed. He believed that the proposed implementation date stated in the modification, 01 October, is an error since the modification requires tasks to be undertaken in July.

CH was concerned that a representative of the proposer was not present to make the case for urgency, but he could not see an imminent event that justifies urgency. AR did not think the requirement for urgency is met since it is only dates suggested within the modification that create urgency - not an existing requirement to meet a given date. As such, any need for urgency was self-fulfilling, which did not seem appropriate.

Members noted that the proposer had suggested there would be a significant commercial impact if the modification were not to be implemented. However, it was recognised that the AUGE has stated that the results of applying the draft methodology will not be published before a final methodology has been approved. As such, the scale of any impact is unknown. Members concluded, therefore, that the case for a significant commercial impact arising had not been made, and hence the case for urgency had also not been made.

Members then unanimously determined to recommend that:

- Modification 0456 should not follow urgent procedures.

JD requested the Panel's views, if urgency were to be granted, on the timetable prepared by the Joint Office. TD explained that the timetable had been produced on the assumption that implementation is required by 1 July, and assumed that a Panel recommendation regarding implementation would be made during the planned Panel meeting on 20 June. AG questioned whether the AUGE would be able to deliver the requirements in the time available. TD confirmed this was the case, and

that this had been taken into account in the suggested timetable - allowing the methodology to be approved by the UNCC prior to the latest date put forward in the modification since approval on that date would not allow the AUGÉ to meet the remainder of the timetable.

AMa (who joined the meeting at this point) confirmed that British Gas intend amending the modification in order to clarify that the proposed implementation date is not 1 October.

Members did not raise any alternatives to the suggested timetable.

**133.4 Any Other Business**

None raised

**133.5 Conclude Meeting and Agree Date of Next Meeting**

10:30 20 June 2013, at the ENA.