UNIFORM NETWORK CODE MODIFICATION PANEL MINUTES OF THE 5th MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 13 JULY 2005

Members Present:

Transporter Representatives: C Warner (NGT/UKD), R Hewitt (NGT/UKT), R Cameron Higgs (Northern Gas Networks), S Featherstone (Scotia Gas Networks) L Spierling (Wales & West Utilities)

User Representatives: P Broom (Gaz de France), M Young (BGT), S Ladle (Total Gas & Power Ltd), C Sykes (EON UK plc) & S Parmar (Statoil).

Ofgem Representative: J Dixon.

Consumers Representatives:

Joint Office: T Davis (Chairman), M Berrisford (Deputy Secretary)

5.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting.

C Warner for D McLaughlin (UKD), S Featherstone for B Grubb (Scotia Gas Networks).

5.2 Record of apologies for absence.

B Grubb (Scotia Gas Networks).

5.3 Record invitees to meeting.

None.

5.4 Consider New, Non-Urgent Modification Proposals. .

None.

5.5 Consideration of Final Modification Reports.

5.5(a) Proposal 0019 "Amendment of Network Entry Provisions at ConocoPhillips sub-terminal at Theddlethorpe to align with Transco's 10 Year Statement"

The Panel considered the report was in the correct form and discussed whether or not to recommend implementation of the Proposal.

The Panel considered that this Modification Proposal furthers the GT Licence 'code relevant objective' of 'securing competition between relevant shippers and between relevant suppliers' and voted UNANIMOUSLY to recommend implementation of the Proposal.

5.5(b) Proposal 0021 "Revision of the Emergency Cashout Arrangements"

The Panel considered the report was in the correct form and discussed whether or not to recommend implementation of the Proposal.

Following discussion, several panel members commented that the proposal would have been better considered had it followed the Non Urgent route such that it could have been developed and better understood. The Proposal was complex and responses indicated that areas remained unclear. Against this background, and bearing in mind their representative role, User members felt that they had had insufficient time in which to consider the report and associated representations to enable them to make an informed recommendation.

In agreement with J Dixon from Ofgem, the Panel will reconvene on Tuesday 19 July 2005 to further consider Modification Proposal 0021.

5.6 Any Other Business.

5.6(a) C Warner, Transco UKD proposed that the Joint Office should reconstitute the Offtake Arrangements workstream.

It was pointed out that it is the role of the Modification Panel to refer matters to the workstream.

Following further discussion it was agreed that the matter would be discussed at a later date.

5.7 Conclude Modification Meeting.

The Panel agreed to reconvene by teleconference on 19 July 2005 at 1.00pm to consider a recommendation for the Final Modification Report for Proposal 0021 "Revision of the Emergency Cashout Arrangements".