UNIFORM NETWORK CODE MODIFICATION PANEL MINUTES OF THE 27th MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15 JUNE 2006

Members Present:

Transporter Representatives: R Hewitt (National Grid NTS), C Warner (National Grid UKD) B Grubb (Scotia Gas Networks) and R Cameron-Higgs (Northern Gas Networks)

User Representatives: P Broom (Gaz de France), S Ladle (Total Gas and Power), M Young (British Gas Trading), C Sykes (EON UK) and S Rouse (Statoil).

Ofgem Representative(s):

D Edward

Consumers Representative(s):

None

Joint Office:

T Davis (Chairman), J Majdanski (Secretary)

27.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting:

S Rouse for R Cross (Statoil), R Cameron-Higgs (Northern Gas Networks) for L Spierling (Wales & West Utilities) and C Warner for A Raper (National Grid UKD)

27.2 Record of apologies for absence:

R Cross (Statoil), L Spierling (Wales & West Utilities) and A Raper (National Grid UKD)

27.3 Record invitees to meeting:

Angela Love (Ilex)

27.4 Receive report on status of Urgent Modification Proposals:

a) Proposal 0086 "Introduction of Gas Reserve Arrangements"
 Status = Representations close out 19/06/2006.
 Following a proposal from the Chairman, the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for G Frazer to be Subject Matter Expert.

27.5 Consider New, Non-Urgent Modification Proposals.

Proposal 0087 "Single Centralised On-line Gas Enquiry Service - Removal of Redundant UNC provisions".

Following a presentation from C Warner (National Grid UKD), the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to consultation, with P Lucas as Subject Matter Expert.

b) Proposal 0088 "Extension of DM service to enable Consumer Demand Side Management"

Following a presentation from G Evans (Total Gas and Power) the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to Development and instructed the Transporters to finalise Terms of Reference for the workgroup.

c) Proposal 0089 "Clarification of Timescales to Revise AQ for Small Supply Point threshold-crossers" Following a presentation from G Evans (Total Gas and Power) the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to the Distribution Workstream.

27.6 Existing Modification Proposals for Reconsideration. None

27.7 Consider New Proposals for Review.

None.

27.8 Consider Terms of Reference.

None.

27.9 Consider Workstream Monthly Reports.

- a) Distribution
- b) Transmission
- c) Governance

Proposal 0084 "Removal of the SME Role from the UNC Modification Rules" Following a brief discussion, the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to consultation, with C Thorneywork as Subject Matter Expert.

d) Offtake Arrangements

27.10 Consider Review/Development Work Group Reports.

None.

27.11 Consideration of Final Modification Reports*.

- a) Proposal 0075 "Proposal to amend Annex A Part 8 of the Connected System Exit Point (CSEP) Network Exit Agreement (NExA) by replacing the current version of the AQ Table with a revised Table to account for movements in AQ values as a result of the AQ Review 2004/05"

 Panel Members considered the report was in the correct form and discussed whether or not to recommend implementation of the Proposal. They considered that implementation of the Proposal could be expected to further the GT Licence 'code relevant objective' of 'facilitating effective competition between relevant Shippers' and voted UNANIMOUSLY to recommend implementation of the Proposal.
- b) Proposal 0076 "Right of set off under Uniform Network Code"

Panel Members considered the report was in the correct form and discussed whether or not to recommend implementation of the Proposal. They considered that implementation of the Proposal could be expected to further the GT Licence 'code relevant objectives' of 'facilitating effective competition between relevant Shippers' and 'promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the code', and voted UNANIMOUSLY to recommend implementation of the Proposal.

- c) Proposal 0077 "Notice Period for Code Credit Limit Revision (as a consequence of Credit Rating downgrade) and remedies for non-compliance with a request for provision of additional security"
 Panel Members considered the report was in the correct form and discussed whether or not to recommend implementation of the Proposal. They considered that implementation of the Proposal could be expected to further the GT Licence 'code relevant objective' of 'facilitating effective competition between relevant Shippers' and voted UNANIMOUSLY to recommend implementation of the Proposal.
- d) Proposal 0078 Variation/Withdrawal of a Modification Proposal Panel Members considered the report was in the correct form and discussed whether or not to recommend implementation of the Proposal. They considered that implementation of the Proposal could be expected to further the GT Licence 'code relevant objective' of 'promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the code', and voted UNANIMOUSLY to recommend implementation of the Proposal.
- e) Proposal 0082 Clarificatory revisions to UNC Section Q Emergencies" Panel Members considered the report was in the correct form and discussed whether or not to recommend implementation of the Proposal. They considered that implementation of the Proposal could be expected to further the GT Licence 'code relevant objectives' of 'the efficient and economic operation of the pipe-line system', and voted UNANIMOUSLY to recommend implementation of the Proposal.
- f) Proposal 0083 "Proposal to insert obligations to process data received from iGTs in line with the requirements as outlined within Annex A of the Connected System Exit Point (CSEP) Network Exit Agreement (NExA)"

 Panel Members present considered the report required revised legal drafting and voted UNANIMOUSLY to defer making a recommendation regarding implementation of the Proposal.

27.12 Receive report on status of Consents.

No new consents.

27.13 Any Other Business

None.

27.14 Conclude Meeting and Agree Date of Next Meeting:

The Panel noted that the next Panel meeting will be held at 1.00pm on 6 July 2006, arranged to make a recommendation for Proposal 0086 "Introduction of Gas Reserve Arrangements", with the full monthly Panel meeting due to be held at Elexon, 350 Euston Road, on 20 July 2006.