UNIFORM NETWORK CODE MODIFICATION PANEL MINUTES OF THE 29th MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 20 JULY 2006

Members Present:

Transporter Representatives: R Hewitt (National Grid NTS), A Raper (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)

29.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting:

S Rouse for R Cross (Statoil) and B Grubb (Scotia Gas Networks) for L Spierling (Wales & West Utilities)

29.2 Record of apologies for absence:

R Cross (Statoil) and L Spierling (Wales & West Utilities)

29.3 Record invitees to meeting:

None

29.4 Receive report on status of Urgent Modification Proposals:

- a) Proposal 0086 "Introduction of Gas Reserve Arrangements" Status = Rejected 14/07/2006.
- Proposal 0092 "Provision of a Supply Point Enquiry Service for Smaller Supply Points"
 Status = Representations close out 19/07/2006.

29.5 Consider New, Non-Urgent Modification Proposals.

- a) Proposal 0090 "Revised DN Interruption Arrangements"
 Following a presentation from A Raper (National Grid UKD), the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to Development.
- b) Proposal 0091 "Extending Uniform Network Code to allow Users to raise Class 3 UK Link modification proposals"

Following a presentation from S Ladle (Total Gas and Power), the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to consultation with A Jennings as Subject Matter Expert.

- c) Proposal 0093 "Amendment of Interconnector UK's Meter Flow Rates" Following a presentation from R Hewitt (National Grid NTS), the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to consultation with a reduced timescale of five days and N Sisman as Subject Matter Expert.
- d) Proposal 0094 "Reconciliation following AQ Amendment, SSP becoming LSP with change of <20% or 15,000kWh" Following a presentation from M Young (BGT), the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to consultation with R Cameron-Higgs as Subject Matter Expert.</p>
- e) Proposal 0095 "Reconciliation following AQ Amendment, SSP becoming LSP following change of Registered User" Following a presentation from M Young (BGT), the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to consultation with R Cameron-Higgs as Subject Matter Expert.
- f) Proposal 0096 "Reconciliation following AQ Amendment, SSP becoming LSP following inter-process amendment of AQ" Following a presentation from M Young (BGT), the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to consultation with R Cameron-Higgs as Subject Matter Expert.
- g) Proposal 0097 "Modification to release aggregated ex-post information for pipeline interconnector offtake flows" Following a presentation from C Sykes (EON UK), the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to the Transmission Workstream.
- h) Proposal 0098 "Modification to Codify Emergency Curtailment Quantity (ECQ) Methodology"
 Following a presentation from C Sykes (EON UK), the Panel voted by Panel Majority for the Proposal to proceed to consultation, the following members casting votes, P Broom, S Ladle, C Sykes, S Rouse, M Young, R Cameron-Higgs, B Grubb (also proxy vote for L Spierling). The Panel then voted UNANIMOUSLY for B Grubb as Subject Matter Expert.
- i) Proposal 0099 "Management of erroneous Domestic AQs during the Registration process"
 Following a presentation from S Howe (Npower), the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to the Distribution Workstream.

29.6 Existing Modification Proposals for Reconsideration.

a) Proposal 0053 "Extending established Uniform Network Code governance arrangements to include the Network Code Operations Reporting Manual referenced in Section V9.4"

Following a discussion it was suggested that the Secretary should request the Authority to give an indication of the likely date by which the Authority's decision shall be made. The Panel then voted and of the nine Panel Members present, capable of casting ten votes, five votes were cast in favour, P Broom (Gaz de France), S Ladle (Total Gas and Power), C Sykes (EON UK), S Rouse

(Statoil) and M Young (British Gas Trading). Therefore no determination was made. This was also the view for the following three Modification Proposals due for reconsideration.

- b) Proposal 0056 "Extending established Uniform Network Code governance arrangements to include the Code Credit Rules referenced in section V3.1.2"
- c) Proposal 0059 "Extending established Uniform Network Code governance arrangements to include the Network Code Validation Rules document referenced in Section M1.5.3"
- d) Proposal 0063 "Extending established Uniform Network Code governance arrangements to include the GRE Invoice Query Incentive Scheme Methodology document referenced in Section S4.6"

29.7 Consider New Proposals for Review.

None.

29.8 Consider Terms of Reference.

None.

29.9 Consider Workstream Monthly Reports.

a) Distribution

Proposal 0089 "Clarification of Timescales to Revise AQ for Small Supply Point threshold-crossers"

Following a discussion, the Panel voted UNANIMOUSLY for the Proposal to proceed to consultation, with J Skinner as Subject Matter Expert.

- b) Transmission
- c) Governance
- d) Offtake Arrangements

29.10 Consider Review/Development Work Group Reports.

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

The Panel approved the amendments to the Terms of Reference.

29.11 Consideration of Final Modification Reports*.

a) Proposal 0081" AQ Review Process - publication of information"
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 'facilitating effective competition between relevant Shippers' and voted UNANIMOUSLY to recommend implementation of the Proposal.

b) 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 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.

29.12 Receive report on status of Consents.

No new consents.

29.13 Any Other Business

None

29.14 Conclude Meeting and Agree Date of Next Meeting:

The Panel noted that the next Panel meeting will be held at 1.00pm on 3 August 2006, to make a recommendation for Proposal 0092 "Provision of a Supply Point Enquiry Service for Smaller Supply Points", with the full monthly Panel meeting due to be held at Elexon, 350 Euston Road, on 17 August 2006.