

Workgroup Terms of Reference

0506 - Gas Performance Assurance Framework and Governance Arrangements

Date referred from Panel: 17 July 2014

Background – Why Change?

Please refer to www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0506

Solution

It is proposed that there will be a new Performance Assurance Framework (PAF) introduced into the gas market arrangements. For the avoidance of doubt it is proposed that the Performance Assurance Workgroup will keep the implementation date of the PAF under review during development of this modification. The Transporters' Agency, Xoserve, are presently developing performance assurance reports for the current regime, if the PAF can be introduced ahead of that date, then the framework could be used for the current process.

The Performance Assurance Framework is expected to use the risk assessment process, as set out in another modification (at the present time Modification 0483 has been raised with the risk assessment process included). Such modification would therefore be complementary to this modification, but not an alternative to it.

Topics for Discussion

- Understanding the objective
- Assessment of alternative means to achieve objective
- Development of Solution (including business rules if appropriate)
- Assessment of potential impacts of the modification
- Assessment of implementation costs
- Assessment of legal text.

The UNC Modification Panel also requested the Workgroup to:

- Confirm that the Performance Assurance Workgroup unanimously supports the Solution;
- Clarify how Modifications 0483 and 0506 will work together;
- Confirm how the Performance Assurance Framework Administrator tendering process is to work;
- Confirm the **framework funding arrangements**.

Outputs

Produce a Workgroup Report for submission to the Modification Panel, containing the assessment and recommendations of the Workgroup.

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Composition of Workgroup

The Workgroup is open to any party that wishes to attend or participate.

A Workgroup meeting will be quorate provided at least two Transporter and two User representatives are present.

Meeting Arrangements

Meetings will be administered by the Joint Office and conducted in accordance with the Code Administration Code of Practice.