
Report for Modification Panel

January 2006

Transmission Workstream

Meetings Held

5 January 2006

Planned

2 February 2006

Matters for Panel's Attention

None

Modifications Activity**Modification Proposals Developed in the Workstream:**

- 068 'Extending established Uniform Network Code governance arrangements to include the Safety Monitor Referred to in Section Q of the Code'
The Workstream discussed Proposal 068 following on from discussion at the Governance Workstream on 15 December 2005. The Proposer agreed to consider whether to further revise the Proposal.

Draft Modification Report consultation:

- 054/054a 'Emergency Curtailment Quantity (ECQ) Methodology Statement' / 'Modification to Codify Emergency Curtailment Quantity (ECQ) Methodology'
DMR issued 13/12/05, Reps closed out 06/01/06

Draft Final Modification Reports Submitted:

- 069 'Amendment of Network Entry Provisions at the European Interconnector sub-terminal at Bacton'
DMR issued 16/12/06, Reps closed out 09/01/06, Draft FMR issued 11/01/06
- 066 'Programmed Maintenance Notice Periods at NTS System Exit Points'
Draft FMR issued 09/01/06, no comments on reps received by 17:00 10/01/06
- 065 'Amend the BNFA Neutrality Interest Rate'
Draft FMR issued 06/01/06, no comments on reps received by 17:00 10/01/06

Urgent Modification Report Submitted:

- 072 'Gas Allocations at LNG Storage Facilities in the Event of a Network Gas Supply Emergency'
Raised 12/12/05, Panel decided to recommend implementation 05/01/06

Modification Report Submitted:

- 060 'Publication of Information in the Maintenance Programme'
Raised 17/10/05, Panel decided to recommend implementation 15/12/05

Modification Proposal Approved:

- 049 'Optional Limits for Inert Gases at System Entry Points'
Raised 07/09/05, Implemented 22/12/05

Urgent Modification Proposal Approved:

071a 'User Compensation for NEC Storage Curtailment' (alternative)
Raised 15/12/05, Implemented 23/12/05

061 'Facilitating further demand-side response in the event that a Gas Balancing Alert is triggered'
Raised 01/11/05, Implemented 15/12/05

Urgent Modification Proposal Rejected:

071 'User Compensation for NEC Storage Curtailment'
Raised 09/12/05, Rejected 23/12/05

067 'Compensation payments to Users whose gas flows are curtailed into the system following instructions received from the NEC'
Raised 14/11/05, Rejected 21/12/05

062 'Introduction of a Gas Balancing Alert'
Raised 01/11/05, Rejected 15/12/05

Topics Activity**The following Topics were reviewed:****003TR Review of NTS Exit Capacity Arrangements**

The Workstream agreed to receive update reports from Ofgem's Enduring Offtake Working Group.

004TR Emergency Arrangements

The Workstream discussed Proposal 068.

The Workstream provided views for the Joint Office to convey to the NEC on communication of proposed changes to the NEC Safety Case.

The following Topic was placed on hold:**010TR Gas Quality at Entry Points**

Proposal 049 was implemented and Proposal 069 was in progress.

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| UNC Mod Ref | Old Mod Ref | Mod Title | Received | Organisation | Status | Next Process(es) |
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| 072 | | Gas Allocations at LNG Storage Facilities in the Event of a Network Gas Supply Emergency | 13-Dec-05 | National Grid NTS | 5-Jan-06 Panel recommend implementation | Ofgem Decision |
| 071a | | User Compensation for NEC Storage Curtailment (alternate) | 15-Dec-05 | EON UK | 24-Dec-05 Implemented | None |
| 071 | | User Compensation for NEC Storage Curtailment | 9-Dec-05 | National Grid NTS | 24-Dec-05 Rejected | None |
| 069 | | Amendment of Network Entry Provisions at the European Interconnector sub-terminal at Bacton | 7-Dec-05 | National Grid NTS | 9-Jan-05 reps closed out | draft FMR Panel recommendation |
| 068 | | Extending established Uniform Network Code governance arrangements to include the Safety Monitor Referred to in Section Q of the Code. | 23-Nov-05 | Centrica Storage Ltd | 5-Jan-06 Transmission workstream discussion | Panel determination on consultation or further development |
| 067 | | Compensation payments to Users whose gas flows are curtailed into the system following instructions received from the NEC | 14-Nov-05 | Centrica Storage Ltd | 21-Dec-05 Rejected | None |
| 066 | | Programmed Maintenance Notice Periods at NTS System Exit Points | 8-Nov-05 | Scottish Power Energy Management Ltd | 9-Jan-06 draft Final Mod Report | Panel recommendation |
| 065 | | Amend the BNFA Neutrality Interest Rate | 8-Nov-05 | National Grid NTS | 6-Jan-06 draft Final Mod Report | Panel recommendation |
| 060 | | Publication of Information in the Maintenance Programme | 17-Oct-05 | Scottish Power Energy Management Ltd | 15-Dec-05 Panel recommend implementation | Ofgem Decision |
| 054a | | Modification to Codify Emergency Curtailment Quantity (ECQ) Methodology | 17-Oct-05 | National Grid NTS | 06-Jan-06 reps close out | draft FMR Panel recommendation |
| 054 | | Emergency Curtailment Quantity (ECQ) Methodology Statement | 13-Oct-05 | National Grid NTS | 06-Jan-06 reps close out | draft FMR Panel recommendation |
| 049 | - | Optional Limits for Inert Gases at System Entry Points | 07-Sept-05 | National Grid NTS | 22-Dec-05 Implemented | None |
| 046 | - | Extension of the Sunset Clauses for Registration of Capacity at NTS Exit Points | 10-Aug-05 | National Grid NTS | Panel recommend implementation 23-Sept-05 | Ofgem decision |
| 006 | 0727 | 3rd Party Proposal : Publication of Near Real Time Data at UK sub-terminals | 03-Nov-04 | energywatch | OFGEM consider cost/benefit consultation representations | Ofgem IA report and decision |

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| Active | | | | | | | |
| 003TR | 05/05/05 | National Grid NTS | Review of NTS Exit Capacity Arrangements | 046 | H | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) 23-Sept-05 Mod 046 Panel recommended implementation. b) OFGEM reps closed out 23-Dec-05 on Final Proposals on transitional incentive schemes supporting the offtake arrangements. c) NG NTS re-consultation on IExCR report issued 6-Jan-06 d) Ofgem Enduring Offtake Working Group 4-Jan-06 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) OFGEM decision b) OFGEM decision c) OFGEM decision d) Update after 18-Jan-06 Ofgem meeting |
| 004TR | 05/05/05 | National Grid NTS | Emergency Arrangements | 044 054 054a 061 062 067 068 | H | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) 15-Dec-05 draft Terms of Reference Panel defer decision on 044 review b) 6-Oct-05 Section Q draft Review Proposal discussed at workstream & consensus to develop tidying Mod c) 6-Jan-06 Mods 054/054a reps closed out d) 11-Nov-05 Workstream discussion of progressive vs rapid emergencies e) 15-Dec-05 Ofgem direct implementation of Mod 061 and reject 062 f) 5-Jan-06 Mod 068 discussed at Transmission workstream | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Await Ofgem review b) Tidying Section Q Mod proposal to Feb06 Panel c) Mods 054/54a draft Final Mod Report / Panel recommendation d) Watching brief or party to raise a proposal e) NG NTS revise SMPS and consult f) Proposer of Mod 068 consider further revision |
| 009TR | 04/08/05 | National Grid NTS | Provision of Market Information | 006 (0727) | M | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) OFGEM considering reps on example data and consultation on cost/benefit b) 22-Nov-05 Legal text energywatch consultation reps closed out | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Outcome of Ofgem consultation b) NG NTS response to legal text consultation |

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| On Hold | | | | | | | |
| 005TR | 05/05/05 | National Grid NTS | Constrained Top-up | 011 (0736) | L | OFGEM rejected 31-Aug-05 National Grid requested Topic is retained on hold | National Grid NTS to consider and provide proposals for moving Topic forward |
| 008TR | 02/06/05 | Total | Entry Capacity | | | On hold – no specific issues at present | |
| 010TR | 06/09/05 | National Grid NTS | Gas Quality at Entry Points | 049 069 | M | a) 22-Dec-05 Mod 049 Implemented b) 9-Jan-06 Mod 069 Reps close out | a) None b) draft FMR / Panel recommendation |
| 011TR | 06/10/05 | National Grid NTS | Balancing Neutrality Finance Adjustment Interest Rate | 065 | L | 6-Jan-06 Mod 065 draft Final Mod Report | Panel recommendation |
| 012TR | 06/10/05 | AEP | Maintenance Planning | 060 066 | M | a) 15-Dec-05 Panel recommend implementation of Mod 060 b) 9-Jan-06 Mod 066 Final Mod Report | a) Ofgem decision b) Panel recommendation |