

Report for Modification Panel

February 2006

Transmission Workstream

Meetings Held

2 February 2006

Planned

2 March 2006

Matters for Panel's Attention

The Panel are invited to consider the Workstream Report 073 'Revision to the Notice Period regarding the implementation of changes to Transportation Charges' and the consensus reached by the Workstream as set out below.

Modifications Activity

Modification Proposals Developed in the Workstream:

- 073 'Revision to the Notice Period regarding the implementation of changes to Transportation Charges'

The Workstream discussed Proposal 073 following on from discussion at the Distribution Workstream on 26 January 2006. Consensus was to recommend to the Modification Panel that the Proposal is sufficiently developed to proceed to consultation. The Workstream also recommended that the Panel should consider shortening the consultation period in order to ensure that, should the Authority so direct, the Proposal could be implemented in time for the Transporters to give four months notice of any changes to transportation charges to be effective from 1 October 2006.

Final Modification Reports Submitted:

- 054 'Emergency Curtailment Quantity (ECQ) Methodology Statement'
Panel recommended implementation 19/01/06
- 054a 'Modification to Codify Emergency Curtailment Quantity (ECQ) Methodology'
Panel recommended implementation 19/01/06, Panel also expressed view that implementation would better facilitate the relevant objectives than 054
- 065 'Amend the BNFA Neutrality Interest Rate'
Panel recommended implementation 19/01/06
- 066 'Programmed Maintenance Notice Periods at NTS System Exit Points'
Panel recommended implementation 19/01/06
- 069 'Amendment of Network Entry Provisions at the European Interconnector sub-terminal at Bacton'
Panel recommended implementation 19/01/06

Modification Proposal Withdrawn:

- 068 'Extending established Uniform Network Code governance arrangements to include the Safety Monitor Referred to in Section Q of the Code'
Withdrawn 06/02/06

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

The Workstream received reports and a National Grid presentation to update members of the discussion within Ofgem's Enduring Offtake Working Group,

008TR Entry Capacity

The Workstream received two presentations from National Grid on aspects of AMSEC auctions and on a possible change of date for LTSEC auctions.

The following New Topics were created:**013TR Capacity trading on Gemini**

National Grid agreed to raise a Modification Proposal in order that this Class 3 UK Link Modification Proposal could proceed to consultation.

014TR Operating Margins Procurement

National Grid gave notice of its intention to raise a Modification Proposal to establish greater contestability into procurement

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UNC Mod Ref	Old Mod Ref	Mod Title	Received	Organisation	Status	Next Process(es)
006	0727	3rd Party Proposal : Publication of Near Real Time Data at UK sub-terminals	03-Nov-04	energywatch	3-Feb-06 Ofgem Impact Assessment consultation published	17-Mar-06 Reps close out for Ofgem IA
054		Emergency Curtailment Quantity (ECQ) Methodology Statement	13-Oct-05	National Grid NTS	19-Jan-06 Panel recommend implementation	Ofgem decision
054a		Modification to Codify Emergency Curtailment Quantity (ECQ) Methodology	17-Oct-05	National Grid NTS	19-Jan-06 Panel recommend implementation and preference over 054	Ofgem decision
060		Publication of Information in the Maintenance Programme	17-Oct-05	Scottish Power Energy Management Ltd	15-Dec-05 Panel recommend implementation	Ofgem Decision
065		Amend the BNFA Neutrality Interest Rate	8-Nov-05	National Grid NTS	19-Jan-06 Panel recommend implementation	Ofgem decision
066		Programmed Maintenance Notice Periods at NTS System Exit Points	8-Nov-05	Scottish Power Energy Management Ltd	19-Jan-06 Panel recommend implementation	Ofgem decision
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	06-Feb-06 Withdrawn	None
069		Amendment of Network Entry Provisions at the European Interconnector sub-terminal at Bacton	7-Dec-05	National Grid NTS	19-Jan-06 Panel recommend implementation	Ofgem decision
073		'Revision to the Notice Period Regarding the Implementation of Changes to Transportation Charges'	6-Jan-06	Corona Energy	25-Jan-06 Distribution and 2-Feb-06 Transmission workstream discussions.	Workstream report to February Panel

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Topic No	Date Created	Topic Originator	Topic Title	Associated Modification Proposal(s)	Priority for Discussion (H/M/L)	Status	Next Step(s)
Active							
003TR	05/05/05	National Grid NTS	Review of NTS Exit Capacity Arrangements		H	Ofgem Enduring Offtake Working Group (EOWG) 18-Jan-06, 1-Feb-06 and workstream presentation 2-Feb-06	8-Feb-06 am Ofgem EOWG 24-Feb-06 Ofgem Seminar Update workstream
004TR	05/05/05	National Grid NTS	Emergency Arrangements	044 054 054a 068	H	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) 19-Jan-06 Mods 054/054a Panel recommend implementation d) 6-Feb-06 Mod 068 withdrawn e) Ofgem Gas Reserve Seminar (16-Jan-06). Outline of workgroup	a) Panel decision b) Tidying Section Q Mod proposal to Feb06 Panel c) Ofgem decision d) None e) 8-Feb-06 pm Ofgem workgroup
008TR	02/06/05	Total/ National Grid NTS	Entry Capacity		M	a) Unsold AMSEC Apr06-Mar08 – views invited on investment signals and potential development for optimisation b) LTSEC auctions – views invited on bringing forward from September to June	a) Update workstream b) 7-Feb-06 consult Transmission Ops Forum. Update workstream
009TR	04/08/05	National Grid NTS	Provision of Market Information	006 (0727)	M	3-Feb-06 Ofgem publish Impact Assessment (IA) consultation	17-Mar-06 Reps close out for Ofgem IA
013TR	02/02/06	BP Gas Marketing	Capacity trading on Gemini			2-Feb-06 Workstream briefed on background and views invited on User funded UK Link change request	Mod Proposal for Class 3 UK Link Mod for capacity trading interface to Gemini
014TR	02/02/06	National Grid NTS	Operating Margins Procurement		M	2-Feb-06 Outline invitation for proposals for contestable Operating Margins service	28-Feb-06 Invitation for Proposals 10-May-06 Proposals deadline

Topic No	Date Created	Topic Originator	Topic Title	Associated Modification Proposal(s)	Priority for Discussion (H/M/L)	Status	Next Step(s)
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
010TR	06/09/05	National Grid NTS	Gas Quality at Entry Points	069	L	19-Jan-06 Mod 069 Panel recommend implementation	Ofgem decision
011TR	06/10/05	National Grid NTS	Balancing Neutrality Finance Adjustment Interest Rate	065	L	19-Jan-06 Mod 065 Panel recommend implementation	Ofgem decision
012TR	06/10/05	AEP	Maintenance Planning	060 066	L	a) 15-Dec-05 Mod 060 Panel recommend implementation b) 19-Jan-06 Mod 066 Panel recommend implementation	a) Ofgem decision b) Ofgem decision