

Industry update from Ofgem – up to date as of 3 April 2018

Decision on the Greenhouse Gas Investigation Mechanism award

On 27 March 2018, we awarded NGG £207,815 for activities carried out as part of the Greenhouse Gas Investigation Mechanism project to detect fugitive gas emissions. Background to the project and the reasons for our decision can be found at the link below.

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/decision-greenhouse-gas-investigation-mechanism-award>

Gas system operator incentives 2018 to 2021: Modification of the special licence conditions of National Grid Gas's transporter licence

On 27 March 2018, we amended NGG's gas transporter licence to extend the D-2 to D-5 Demand Forecasting, Maintenance, and Greenhouse Gas incentives to the end of the RIIO-T1 price control period.

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/gas-system-operator-incentives-2018-2021-modification-special-licence-conditions-national-grid-gas-transporter-licence>

UNC623: Governance Arrangements for Alternatives to Self-Governance Modification Proposals

On 22 March 2018, we approved UNC 623 which clarifies the arrangements for alternative modifications in the UNC governance process. In particular, how the Panel should treat alternatives to self-governance modifications.

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/unc623-governance-arrangements-alternatives-self-governance-modification-proposals>

Notice proposing modifications to the Regulatory Instructions and Guidance (RIGs) for RIIO-GT1 (version 5.1)

On 14 March 2018, we published proposed changes to the Gas Transmission Regulatory Instructions and Guidance (RIGs) in order to clarify existing reporting requirements. These changes are open for comments until 11 April 2018. More information can be found in the documents linked below.

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/notice-proposing-modifications-regulatory-instructions-and-guidance-rigs-riio-gt1-version-51>

Modification of the gas transporter licence to facilitate implementation of Regulation (EU) 2017/460 (TAR NC) in GB

On 8 March 2018, we published a notice to modify Standard Special Condition A5 of NGG's gas transporter licence. This modification will enable us to issue a direction to NGG to undertake certain activities, where we consider it would better facilitate the implementation or compliance with the TAR Network Code or any relevant decisions of the European Commission or ACER.

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/modification-gas-transporter-licence-facilitate-implementation-regulation-eu-2017460-tar-nc-gb>

Decision to direct National Grid Gas plc (NGG) to undertake specific tasks to implement aspects of Regulation (EU) 2017/460, the European Network Code on harmonised transmission tariff structures for gas (TAR NC)

On 8 March 2018, we issued a direction which requires NGG to undertake specific tasks arising from the TAR Network Code and to complete them according to an Ofgem directed timetable. In particular, the changes will provide the UNC 621 workgroup with additional time to develop its modification report, and make NGG responsible for undertaking a preliminary TAR Network Code Article 26 consultation (Ofgem will undertake the final consultation required by the TAR Network Code). More information can be found in the document linked below.

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/decision-direct-national-grid-gas-plc-ngg-undertake-specific-tasks-implement-aspects-regulation-eu-2017460-european-network-code-harmonised-transmission-tariff-structures-gas-tar-nc>

Approval of NGG's Generic Revenue Driver Methodology Statement 2018

On 8 March 2018, we approved an updated version of the Generic Revenue Driver Methodology Statement. No substantial changes were made to the Statement.

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/approval-nggs-generic-revenue-driver-methodology-statement-2018>