UNC Workgroup 0713 Minutes

Amendments to TPD V3.1.7 Independent Assessment table Thursday 23 January 2020

at Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull, B91 2AA

Attendees					
Alan Raper (Chair)	(AR)	Joint Office			
Helen Bennett (Secretary)	(HB)	Joint Office			
Maitrayee Bhowmick-Jewkes	(MBJ)	Joint Office			
Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent			
Carl Whitehouse*	(CW)	Shell Energy Retail Limited			
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve			
David Mitchell	(DM)	SGN			
Ed Fyfe*	(EF)	SGN			
Ellie Rogers	(ER)	Xoserve			
Gareth Evans*	(GE)	Waters Wye Associates			
Guv Dosanjh	(GD)	Cadent			
Hilary Chapman	(HC)	SGN			
Kirsty Dudley*	(KD)	E.ON			
Lee Greenwood	(LGr)	British Gas			
Liam Gallagher*	(LG)	BU-UK			
Oorlagh Chapman*	(OC)	British Gas			
Phil Lucas	(PL)	National Grid			
Rebecca Cailes*	(RC)	BU-UK			
Richard Pomroy	(RP)	Wales & West Utilities			
Stephanie Clements*	(SC)	Scottish Power			
Steve Britton*	(SB)	Cornwall Insights			
Steve Mulinganie	(SM)	Gazprom Energy			
Tracey Saunders	(TS)	Northern Gas Networks			
*via teleconference					

Copies of all papers are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0713/230120

The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 16 April 2020

1.0 Outline of Modification

PL advised that Graydon have confirmed they will assign an equivalent rating based on the existing ratings, once this is done National Grid would like to check Graydon equivalence for consistency and to see what the new credit value would be under the new structure.

National Grid stated that they would then be able to validate the equivalence statement in the Workgroup Report.

The proposer presented a counter view that it was his understanding that only one rating score would be provided and it would reference the new scale.

The view from the group was that transporters should either proactively clarify the matter or simply wait to see what they receive.

New Action 0101: Transporters to await the receipt of examples actual company ratings, which may include ratings on the new and old scales and see if the score comparisons in the proposal are aligned.

AR clarified that this Modification is also going to Transmission Workgroup, however, this would not be until the Workgroup Report is in its final version.

Reference was made to the IGT Modification, IGT132 and it was confirmed that its Proposer knows to be aware of the progress of the UNC Modification 0713.

2.0 Initial Discussion

2.1. Issues and Questions from Panel

None raised.

2.2. Initial Representations

None received.

2.3. Terms of Reference

The standard UNC Workgroup Terms of Reference will apply and is available at www.gasgovernance.co.uk/mods

3.0 Next Steps

AR confirmed that the proposal is also being reviewed at Transmission Workgroup to ensure comprehensive industry coverage.

Given the discussion at today's meeting, the next step would be to review any ratings issued by Graydon to see how the new scoring scale compares with the old.

Once the workgroup is comfortable with the proposed grade comparisons, the workgroup report could be finalised.

4.0 Any Other Business

None.

5.0 Diary Planning

 $\textit{Further details of planned meetings are available at:} \ \underline{\textbf{www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month}}$

Workgroup meetings will take place as follows:

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:30 Thursday 27 February 2020	Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull, B91 2AA	Detail planned agenda items. Consideration of Business Rules Consideration of Charging arrangements Review of Impacts and Costs Review of Relevant Objectives Consideration of Wider Industry Impacts Consideration of Legal Text Development of Workgroup Report
10:30 Thursday 26 March 2020	Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London, NW1 3AW	Completion of Workgroup Report

Action Table (as at 23 January 2020)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0101	23/01/20	1.0	Transporters to await the receipt of examples actual company ratings, which may include ratings on the new and old scales and see if the score comparisons in the proposal are aligned.	All Transporters	Pending