

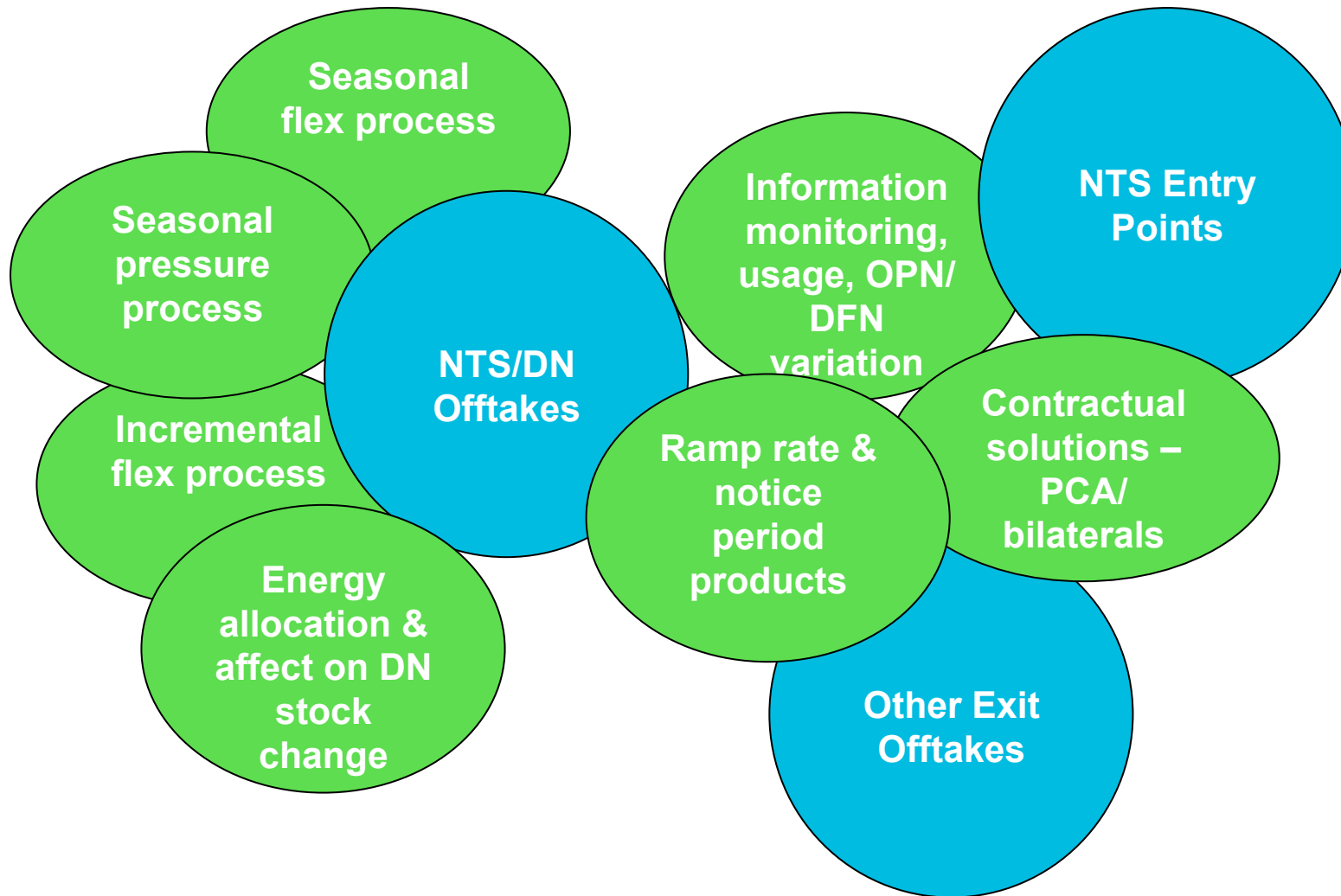
Customer Requirements within RIIO-T1 Period - Update

Transmission Workgroup
Tuesday 1st May 2012

Recap on New Products

- 31st January 2012 – we sought feedback on the scope for new products in the following (as these are the areas that our customers have been talking to us about):
 - DN - NTS Exit (Flexibility) Capacity & Pressures
 - Other NTS Exit connections - Ramp Rates and notice periods detailed in the NEXA plus the Frequency Response service in UNC TPD J5.8
 - Entry Connections - Ramp Rates and notice periods

Scope of new products



Messages taken from 31 January

- Messages taken from this meeting were that:
 - focusing on “Tools” across such a broad area at this time may be premature
 - we should look at options for further transparency/information provision around OPNs/DFNs
 - the OAD Workgroup was the appropriate place to progress proposals on DN seasonal pressures and flex
 - we should provide evidence to demonstrate that network usage is changing, will continue to do so and that regime change is needed to accommodate this

Next steps

- National Grid NTS to progress amendments to the OCS / OPS process via the OAD workgroup:
 - current NTS thinking is to formalise the offline process run in 2011 incorporating seasonal pressures/flex
 - strawman is currently being developed
- NTS to hold bi-lateral discussions on NTS Entry Ramp Rate and Notice Period products with interested parties and will keep the workgroup informed of developments in this area