

**Record of Determinations: Panel Meeting 18 and 19 July 2018**

Modification	Vote Outcome	Shipper Voting Members						Transporter Voting Members					IGT Voting Member	Consumer Voting Member	Consumer Voting Member	Determination Sought
		AG	DF	GW	JCh	RF	SM	CW	DL	HC	JF	RP	NR	JA	JCo	
<b>0658 (Urgent) - CDSP to identify and develop improvements to LDZ settlement processes</b>	The topic of 0658 (Urgent) not to be issued to Workgroup - <i>unanimous vote against</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Should the topic of 0658 (Urgent) be issued to Workgroup with a report presented by the 20 September Panel?
<b>0661R - Reconciliation and Imbalance Cash Out Prices</b>	Issued to Workgroup 0661R with a report presented by the 21 March 2019 Panel - <i>unanimous vote in favour</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should Request be issued to Workgroup with a report by the 21 March 2019 Panel?
<b>0663 - Extending the data comprised under the definition of Supply Point Premises Data (TPD V5.18.1)</b>	Not related to the Significant Code Review - <i>majority vote against</i>	X	X	X	X	X	✓	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	X	X	Is Modification related to Significant Code Review?
	Is a Self-Governance Modification - <i>unanimous vote in favour</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Does Modification satisfy Self-Governance criteria?
	Issued to Workgroup 0663S with a report presented by the 20 September 2018 Panel - <i>unanimous vote in favour</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should Modification be issued to Workgroup with a report by the 20 September 2018 Panel?
<b>0619/A/B - Application of proportionate ratchet charges to daily read sites</b>	Consideration deferred to the August 2018 meeting - <i>unanimous vote in favour</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should consideration of Final Modification Report be deferred?
<b>0651- Changes to the Retrospective Data Update provisions</b>	Proceed to Consultation, with consultation closing out on 09 August 2018 - <i>unanimous vote in favour</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should Modification 0651 be issued to consultation, ending on 09 August 2018 (and be considered at Short Notice at the August Panel)?
<b>0653 - Updating the parameters for the NTS Optional Commodity Charge – Introducing the NTS Optional Capacity Charge</b>	Returned to Workgroup 0653 with a report to be presented by the 20 September 2018 Panel - <i>unanimous vote in favour</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should Modification be returned to Workgroup for further assessment with a report by the 20 September 2018 Panel?
<b>0656 - Changes to Modification Panel arrangements</b>	Returned to Workgroup 0656 with a report to be presented by the 20 September 2018 Panel - <i>unanimous vote in favour</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Should Modification be returned to Workgroup for further assessment with a report by the 20 September 2018 Panel?
<b>0647 - Opening Class 1 reads to Competition</b>	Workgroup 0647 reporting extended to 20 December 2018 Panel meeting - <i>unanimous vote in favour</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Extend Workgroup 0647 reporting date to December 2018 Panel Meeting?

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0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	No new issues were identified during Consultation - <i>unanimous vote against</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	NP	X	X	Were new issues identified during Consultation?
0621 - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	Modification 0621 not recommended for implementation - <i>majority vote against</i>													NP			Should Modification 0621 be recommended for implementation?
0621A - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	Modification 0621A not recommended for implementation - <i>majority vote against</i>													NP			Should Modification 0621A be recommended for implementation?
0621B - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	Modification 0621B not recommended for implementation - <i>majority vote against</i>													NP			Should Modification 0621B be recommended for implementation?
0621C - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	Modification 0621C not recommended for implementation - <i>majority vote against</i>													NP			Should Modification 0621C be recommended for implementation?
0621D - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	Modification 0621D not recommended for implementation - <i>majority vote against</i>													NP			Should Modification 0621D be recommended for implementation?
0621E - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	Modification 0621E not recommended for implementation - <i>majority vote against</i>													NP			Should Modification 0621E be recommended for implementation?
0621F - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	Modification 0621F not recommended for implementation - <i>unanimous vote against</i>													NP			Should Modification 0621F be recommended for implementation?
0621H - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	Modification 0621H not recommended for implementation - <i>unanimous vote against</i>													NP			Should Modification 0621H be recommended for implementation?
0621J - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	Modification 0621J not recommended for implementation - <i>unanimous vote against</i>													NP			Should Modification 0621J be recommended for implementation?
0621K - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	Modification 0621K not recommended for implementation - <i>unanimous vote against</i>													NP			Should Modification 0621K be recommended for implementation?
0621L - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime	Modification 0621L not recommended for implementation - <i>unanimous vote against</i>													NP			Should Modification 0621L be recommended for implementation?

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	Does 0621 better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621A/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L - 1 vote in favour								✓					NP			Does 0621 better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621A/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L?
	Does 0621A better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L - 1 vote in favour							✓						NP			Does 0621A better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L?
	Does 0621B better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L - 2 votes in favour				✓									NP	✓		Does 0621B better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L?
	Does 0621C better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/D/E/F/H/J/K/L - 1 votes in favour			✓										NP			Does 0621C better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/D/E/F/H/J/K/L?
	Does 0621D better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/E/F/H/J/K/L - 1 vote in favour											✓		NP			Does 0621D better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/E/F/H/J/K/L?
	Does 0621E better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/D/F/G/H/J/K/L - 1 vote in favour													NP			Does 0621E better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/D/F/G/H/J/K/L?
	Does 0621F better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/D/E/H/J/K/L - 0 votes in favour													NP			Does 0621F better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/D/E/H/J/K/L?
	Does 0621H better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/J/K/L - 0 votes in favour													NP			Does 0621H better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/J/K/L?
	Does 0621J better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/H/K/L - 0 votes in favour													NP			Does 0621J better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621A/B/C/D/E/F/H/K/L?
	Does 0621K better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/L - 0 votes in favour													NP			Does 0621J better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/L?

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	Does 0621L better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/K - 0 votes in favour													NP			Does 0621L better facilitate the achievement of the Relevant Objectives than 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/K?
0628S - Standard Design Connections: PARCA process	No new issues were identified during Consultation - unanimous vote against	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	NP	X	X	Were new issues identified during Consultation?
	Modification 0628S is to be implemented - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NP	✓	✓	Should Modification 0628S be implemented?
0629S - Standard Design Connections: A2O connection process modification	No new issues were identified during Consultation - unanimous vote against	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	NP	X	X	Were new issues identified during Consultation?
	Modification 0629S is to be implemented - unanimous vote in favour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NP	✓	✓	Should Modification 0629S be implemented?

In favour	Not in Favour	No Vote Cast	Not Present
✓	X	NV	NP

## UNC Modification Panel

Minutes of the 228 Meeting held on Wednesday 18 and Thursday 19 July 2018

at

Day 1 – etc. venues 51-53 Hatton Garden, London EC1N 8HN

Day 2 - Elexon, 4th Floor, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW

### Attendees

#### Voting Members:

<b>Shipper Representatives</b>	<b>Transporter Representatives</b>	<b>Consumer Representatives</b>
A Green* (AG), Total D Fittock (DF), Corona Energy G Wood (GWo), British Gas J Chandler (JCH), SSE R Fairholme (RF), Uniper S Mulinganie* (SM), Gazprom	D Lond (DL), National Grid NTS C Warner (CW), Cadent H Chapman (HC), SGN J Ferguson (JF), NGN R Pomroy (RP), WWU N Rozier* (NR), BUUK Infrastructure (Day 1 only)	J Cox (JCo), Energy UK J Atherton (JA), Citizen's Advice

#### Non-Voting Members:

<b>Chairperson</b>	<b>Ofgem Representative</b>	<b>Independent Supplier Representative</b>
M Shurmer (MS), Chair	R Elliott (Day 2 only)	N Anderson (NA) Electralink (Day 1 only)

#### Also in Attendance:

##### Day 1

A Miller\* (AM), Xoserve; C Shanley\* (CS), Joint Office; G MacGregor\* (GMa), Utilita;  
P Garner (PG), Joint Office; R Fletcher (RFI), Secretary; R Hailes (RHa), Joint  
Office; R Hinsley (RHi), Xoserve; S Brittain (SBr), Cornwall Insight

##### Day 2

B Enault^ (BE), Store Energy; C Friel (CF), Ofgem; C Shanley (CS), Joint Office; D  
Hawkin^ (DH), TPA Solutions; M Hatch (MH), National Grid; L Bowerbank^ (LB),  
Exxon Mobile; P Garner (PG), Joint Office; R Fletcher^ (RFI), Secretary; R Hailes  
(RHa), Joint Office; R Hinsley (RHi), Xoserve and S Brittain^ (SBr), Cornwall Insight

*by teleconference - \*day 1 ^day 2*

## **Record of Discussions**

### **Introduction**

MS welcomed all attendees to the meeting, reminding Members of the need to consider fully the Relevant Objectives, particularly when considering Final Modification Reports. He also thanked Panel Members for attending over two days this month, given the volume of business to be addressed.

MS then set out the order of business in terms of the main items for each day:

**Day 1** would focus on the usual Panel Business excluding Final Modification Reports;

**Day 2** would focus on Final Modification Reports and items which were carried over by agreement from Day 1.

#### **228.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting**

D Fittock for E Wells, Corona Energy  
G Wood for A Margan, British Gas  
J Atherton for S Horne, Citizens Advice  
J Cox for E Proffitt, MEUC

#### **228.2 Record of Apologies for absence**

A Margan  
E Proffitt  
E Wells  
N Rozier (Day 2)  
R Elliott  
S Horne

#### **228.3 Minutes and Actions of the Last Meeting(s)**

Members approved the minutes from the previous meetings on 21 June 2018.

#### **228.4 Consider Urgent Modifications**

##### **a) Modification 0658 (Urgent) - CDSP to identify and develop improvements to LDZ settlement processes**

MS advised that as Modification 0658 had been implemented, Panel has the opportunity to seek a report from the Workgroup on the topic of this modification, to ensure a satisfactory conclusion to the issues raised in the modification had been implemented.

Members agreed the topic should be closed as the task force is to be established and is to be managed by regular report to the relevant DSC Committees.

For Modification 0658, Members determined:

- That the topic of Modification 0658 should not be issued to Workgroup for assessment, by unanimous vote.

## **228.5 Consider New Non-Urgent Modifications**

### **a) Request 0661R - Reconciliation and Imbalance Cash Out Prices**

MS noted that this modification had been presented to the last panel but deferred to allow changes to be made. GMc confirmed that amendments had been made to the Request and these included clarifications and corrections based on Panel comments received at the previous meeting i.e. correct proposing organisation identified and references to Suppliers removed where these should be to Shippers .

GMc explained the reasons for the proposed review, the examples of issues identified in the current process and a number of potential options that might be used to resolve the issues or help to generate other options at Workgroup.

Workgroup Questions:

- Clarify and provide evidence that the issue is material;
- Clarify and confirm the scope in the Terms of Reference.

For Request 0661R Members determined:

- That Request 0661R be issued to Workgroup 0661R for assessment, with a report to be presented no later than the March 2019 Panel, by unanimous vote.

### **b) Modification 0663 - Extending the data comprised under the definition of Supply Point Premises Data (TPD V5.18.1)**

AM introduced Modification 0663 on behalf of the proposer, explaining that the aim is to facilitate the provision of a data release service through the DSC arrangements, by changing permissions to allow the release of certain items of data to Suppliers. This data is in addition to that identified in Modification 0640S - Provision of access to Domestic Consumer data for Suppliers.

This Modification is driven by the switching programme requirements for the industry to provide and support market intelligence services to support the reliability of switching.

JF was concerned that the scope conflicts with Modification 0649S - Update to UNC to formalise the Data Enquiry Service Permissions Matrix. Whereas as Modification 0649S offers a high level and enduring solution, this Modification is very specific and not very efficient for the longer term operation of the UNC.

AM advised that should Modification 0649S be implemented this modification would not be required and could be withdrawn, this would be preferred but Modification 0649S is still to be progressed.

JF wanted to understand if any of this data is covered by SPAA schedule 22, does this create a conflict – Why not prioritise Modification 0649S? AM noted

the concerns but Shippers and Suppliers had advised that the services were needed to support more reliable switching.

DF raised concerns that I&C Suppliers might not be able to support the provisions of this modification without a full review of their contractual arrangements with consumers for the use of data – how would they be able to justify Consumer permission without such a review.

NA asked for the evidence that these data items are needed to support the Change of Supplier process and that Suppliers actually need the data. AM advised that Ofgem have provided information on the switching process, the issues they have identified by category and that these data items were requested to support the resilience of the switching process and to help resolve the issues.

JF felt these issues should be explored at Workgroup and that the timescales proposed might not be achievable considering the questions being raised.

SM was concerned not just about the issues with Code Administration and the impact on efficiency, the modification seems to reference domestic data but seems to go further and it should be specified as a wider application or release of data in the modification.

Workgroup Questions:

- Consider impacts on I&C Shippers/Suppliers if this data is provided;
- Analysis and rational to support each data item;
- Clearly define the scope i.e. domestic only or wider market.

For Modification 0663, Members determined:

- It is not related to the Significant Code Review by unanimous vote;
- The criteria for Self-Governance are met as this Modification is expected to have a material impact on the contractual arrangements for the transportation of gas, or impact competition between Shippers and Suppliers, by unanimous vote; and
- That Modification 0663S be issued to Workgroup 0663S for assessment, with a report to be presented no later than the 20 September 2018 Panel, by unanimous vote.

## **228.6 Existing Modifications for Reconsideration**

### **a) Modification 0619/A/B - Application of proportionate ratchet charges to daily read sites**

#### **Day 1 Discussion**

Members noted that the Final Modification Report had been with Ofgem for decision for 4 months and that they were concerned about the delay as this could impact implementation options should a decision be made close to the start of the Gas Year.

There were some concerns expressed that Ofgem were not present at the meeting to highlight their reasons for the time taken to provide a decision and to hear in person, Panel's concern about the delay.



For Modifications 0619/A/B Members determined that subject to requesting a verbal update from Ofgem on Day 2:

- To defer consideration of Modifications 0619/A/B to the August 2018 meeting, by unanimous vote.

### **Day 2 Discussion**

PG advised that J Dixon (Ofgem) had advised that a decision on these Modifications was imminent. RE confirmed that this was the intention, although he did not have any further information to add at this time.

### **228.7 Consider Workgroup Issues**

None

### **228.8 Workgroup Reports for Consideration**

#### **a) Modification 0651 - Changes to the Retrospective Data Update provisions**

When requested, CW confirmed the Suggested Legal Text provided for the Workgroup was suitable to meet the deemed request for Legal Text.

Members noted the Workgroup Report and the recommendations it contained.

- Members determined Modification 0651 should be issued to consultation, with a consultation close date of 09 August 2018 and that the Final Modification Report should be considered at Short Notice at the August meeting, by unanimous vote.

#### **b) Modification 0653 - Updating the parameters for the NTS Optional Commodity Charge – Introducing the NTS Optional Capacity Charge**

RFa questioned whether Modification 0653 could still be implemented if Modification 0636 or one of its alternatives were implemented. It was felt this should be possible as the implementation dates are different.

For Modification 0653, Members determined:

- It should be referred back to Workgroup 0653 for further assessment, with a report by the 20 September 2018 Panel.

#### **c) Modification 0656 - Changes to Modification Panel arrangements**

SM noted that this Modification is to be amended and that further time is required to conclude the assessment.

RFa questioned what the Joint Office would do if they were advised of a conflict of interest prior to the Modification being implemented? PG advised that the Joint Office would need to consider each case on its merits, although the current rules might limit what actions the Joint Office could take. SM felt that this Modification should be applicable to Members from its implementation date regardless of the Members

nomination/election date.

PG advised that it would be useful to be consistent across all UNC and DSC Committees. JF agreed with this approach.

For Modification 0656, Members determined:

- It should be referred back to Workgroup 0656 for further assessment, with a report by the 20 September 2018 Panel.

## 228.9 Consideration of Workgroup Reporting Dates and Legal Text Requests

Members determined unanimously to extend the following Workgroup reporting date(s):

Workgroup	New Reporting Date
0647 - Opening Class 1 reads to Competition	20 December 2018

Members determined unanimously to request Legal text for the following modification(s):

Modification
None

## 228.10 Consider Variation Requests

None.

## 228.11 Final Modification Reports (Day 2)

### a) Modifications 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

For Panel discussion: see the Final Modification Report published at:  
<https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0621>

- i) For Modifications 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

Members voted by unanimous vote that there were no new issues identified during consultation.

- ii) For Modification 0621 - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

Members voted by majority vote not to recommend implementation of

Modification 0621.

- iii) For Modification 0621A - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

Members voted by majority vote not to recommend implementation of Modification 0621A.

- iv) For Modification 0621B - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

Members voted by majority vote not to recommend implementation of Modification 0621B

- v) For Modification 0621C - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

Members voted by majority vote not to recommend implementation of Modification 0621C.

- vi) For Modification 0621D - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

Members voted by majority vote not to recommend implementation of Modification 0621D.

- vii) For Modification 0621E - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

Members voted by majority vote not to recommend implementation of Modification 0621E.

- viii) For Modification 0621F - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

Members voted unanimously not to recommend implementation of Modification 0621F.

- ix) For Modification 0621H - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

Members voted unanimously not to recommend implementation of Modification 0621H.

- x) For Modification 0621J - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

Members voted unanimously not to recommend implementation of Modification 0621J.

- xi) For Modification 0621K - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime

Members voted unanimously not to recommend implementation of Modification 0621K.

- xii) For Modification 0621L - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging

## Regime

Members voted unanimously not to recommend implementation of Modification 0621L.

Members were then requested to vote on which Modification better facilitates the Relevant Objectives:

- i) Panel Members voted and with 1 vote in favour that proposed Modification 0621 better facilitates the Relevant Objectives than proposed Modifications 0621A/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L
- ii) Panel Members voted and with 1 vote in favour that proposed Modification 0621A better facilitates the Relevant Objectives than proposed Modifications 0621/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L
- iii) Panel Members voted and with 2 votes in favour that proposed Modification 0621B better facilitates the Relevant Objectives than proposed Modifications 0621/A/C/D/E/F/H/J/K/L
- iv) Panel Members voted and with 1 vote in favour that proposed Modification 0621C better facilitates the Relevant Objectives than proposed Modifications 0621/A/B/D/E/F/H/J/K/L
- v) Panel Members voted and with 1 vote in favour that proposed Modification 0621D better facilitates the Relevant Objectives than proposed Modifications 0621/A/B/C/E/F/H/J/K/L
- vi) Panel Members voted and there were no votes in favour that proposed Modification 0621E better facilitates the Relevant Objectives than proposed Modifications 0621/A/B/C/D/F/H/J/K/L
- vii) Panel Members voted and there were no votes in favour that proposed Modification 0621F better facilitates the Relevant Objectives than proposed Modifications 0621/A/B/C/D/E/H/J/K/L
- viii) Panel Members voted and there were no votes in favour that proposed Modification 0621H better facilitates the Relevant Objectives than proposed Modifications 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/J/K/L
- ix) Panel Members voted and there were no votes in favour that proposed Modification 0621J better facilitates the Relevant Objectives than proposed Modifications 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/H/K/L
- x) Panel Members voted and there were no votes in favour that proposed Modification 0621K better facilitates the Relevant Objectives than proposed Modifications 0621/A/B/C/D/E/F/H/J/L
- xi) Panel Members voted and there were no votes in favour that proposed Modification 0621L better facilitates the Relevant Objectives than proposed Modifications 0621/A/B//D/E/F/H/J/K

## b) Modification 0628S - Standard Design Connections: PARCA process

Panel discussion: see the Final Modification Report published at:  
<https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0628>

Members voted unanimously to implement Modification 0628S.

- c) Modification 0629S - Standard Design Connections: A2O connection process modification

Panel discussion: see the Final Modification Report published at:  
<https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0629>

Members voted unanimously to implement Modification 0629S.

## 228.12 AOB

### a) Panel Feedback (Day 1)

MS advised that feedback was being requested from Panel attendees and that the feedback would be reviewed at a later date.

### b) Publication of Follow-up letter - Preparing for EU exit (Day 1)

PG advised that Ofgem had provided a notification on preparation for Brexit and a link is provided below.

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/follow-letter-preparing-eu-exit-licence-and-industry-code-modifications>

### c) Requirement for Panel Members to express a preference on Alternative Modifications (Day 2)

MS noted that SM had requested views from Panel Members on the appropriateness of expressing a view on a Modification when comparing it to other alternative Modifications. In particular there were concerns on how a Panel Member could indicate a preference for a Modification they have not supported for implementation.

MS also noted that this issue had been extensively discussed at the previous meeting. He drew Members attention to the Modification Rules where there is an expectation that analysis is undertaken by Panel Members for inclusion in the Final Modification Report. In addition, analysis is required to understand preferred options (if any), why this position has been recommended and why Modifications might not be supported.

MS also noted that Ofgem had advised that the Panel discussions captured in Final Modification reports was useful in aiding them in their consideration of Modifications. RE confirmed that the Panel assessment were a useful tool for Ofgem to use as well as a requirement under the Modification Rules.

It was agreed that Panel should adopt the same approach to Final Modification Report discussion and voting as pursued at the June Panel.

### d) Switching Programme (Day 2)

DF asked if Ofgem had been in contact about the consequential impacts of faster switching on the UNC and the activities being undertaken. He was under the impression that Ofgem were writing to the Joint Office to express

their views.

RFa noted that there was a letter published by Ofgem concerning the switching programme and that there was a possibility that licensees would be mandated to cooperate. Shipper/Transporters Members are representatives of licenced parties, how would this licence change impact the operation of Panel Members or wider industry parties. Would the duty to cooperate compel them to support Ofgem modifications without question.

RE advised that he would ask for a view within Ofgem in terms of how the drafting should be interpreted and would ask for an update to be provided to Panel.

**New Action PAN01/07:** RE to seek views on the interpretation of licence impacts likely as a consequence of faster switching and how the duty to cooperate would impact individual Panel Members.

JF noted that following FGO, the CDSP operates jointly on behalf of Shippers and Transporters and any drafting should note this change in operation.

It was noted that Panel might want to consider responding to the review, although PG noted that it might be difficult to achieve a consensus between now and the consultation close.

SM suggested that Panel had raised the issue in this meeting, therefore this should be sufficient for Ofgem to respond to the question. RP felt that although Panel could cooperate, this did not mean individual Members need to agree to accept the options presented by Ofgem without challenge, however it would be useful if Ofgem could clarify this issue.

**New Action PAN02/07:** PG/RP to draft a number of questions to Ofgem on the potential licence impacts required to meet the Switching Programme proposed licence changes.

**e) Governance Workgroup (Day 1)**

Members noted that “Modification 0656 - Changes to Modification Panel arrangements” is the main scope of activity for the Governance Workgroup, although this is expected to change once the Workgroup Report is concluded. Members agreed attention can focus on Code of Conduct and other related activities discussed previously at Panel.

**f) IGTUNC Request for Information (RFI) (Day 1)**

CW advised that the IGT UNC had launched an RFI to support RG004 – Review of IGT Governance and administration arrangements. He felt this could have significant impacts on the UNC and that parties should review the questions and provide responses.

MS expressed surprise that UNC had not been informed and consulted about this consultation in advance of it being issued.

It was noted that the consultation period is being held over a holiday period and that it might be useful if they could consider extending the time allowed.

**New Action PAN 03/07:** PG to contact the IGT Code Administrator and

enquire if the consultation period could be extended and to invite them to present to a subsequent UNC Governance Workgroup meeting.

### 228.13 Date of Next Meeting

- 10:30, Thursday 16 August 2018, at Elexon, to consider Final Modification Reports.

### Action Table (19 July 2018)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
PAN 01/07	19/07/18	228.12 d)	To seek views on the interpretation of licence impacts likely as a consequence of faster switching and how the duty to cooperate would impact individual Panel Members.	Ofgem (RE)	Pending
PAN 02/07	19/07/18	228.12 d)	Draft a number of questions to Ofgem on the potential licence impacts required to meet the Switching Programme proposed licence changes.	JO/WWU (PG/RP)	Pending
PAN 03/07	19/07/18	228.12 f)	Contact the IGT UNC Code Administrator and enquire if the consultation period could be extended.	JO (PG)	Pending