

Gas Charging Review – Sub Group Terms of Reference

1. Background

- The Gas Charging Review is being developed through the National Transmission System Charging Methodology Forum (NTSCMF) with a view to develop improvements to the GB Gas Charging Regime and build on Ofgem's GTCR Policy and consider EU Compliance.
- This Sub Group has been set up to support NTSCMF with a view to quicken progress on the development of the Gas Charging Review and to focus on in-depth review and development of options, discuss issues to bring well-developed outputs back to NTSCMF that will have had a greater degree of industry engagement and hands on development for options to improve on the current GB Gas Charging framework.
- This terms of reference has a direct link to the agreed Terms of Reference for the Gas Charging Review through NTSCMF (<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/ntscmf>)
- These workshops are not intended as education sessions for the NTS Charging Framework. Where relevant to the development of potential change this will be given, however the focus will be on the detailed development and scrutiny of options to improve the GB charging framework.

2. Meeting Frequency and Location

- These meetings are monthly, in between NTSCMF meetings, to allow the outputs of each to feed into each other. This frequency then this can be reviewed if needed.
- These meetings will be hosted by National Grid NTS at National Grid's office in Warwick.

3. Attendees

- Whilst attendance is open as per NTSCMF it is important to note that it will be expected that those participating are willing to attend multiple workshops, take actions and be involved in the in depth model development. They will also be expected to contribute to developing options or changes, focusing on principles and methods that address issues not focusing on specific prices or charging products.
- Numbers therefore may need to be limited to ensure the pace of development is not reduced.

4. Overall Objectives

- To discuss in greater detail than NTSCMF meetings permit, developments to the GB Charging Framework (e.g. the sensitivities of charges to model inputs, testing the use of different input values, addressing issues identified through development).
- To speed up the pace of development of the Gas Charging Review, options development, challenge and review of development at the meetings. This can help facilitate NTSCMF meetings so that options that are presented and discussed at NTSCMF are more developed, already had a fair degree of scrutiny, issues may have been addressed or options presented.
- The outputs of the group are to be determined; however could include a list of issues/problems that are identified with the existing GB Charging Framework as models / options are explored in depth and methods by which they could be addressed and how they meet objectives.
- To review and develop options, addressing issues, suggesting outcomes and make recommendations (including weighting of arguments where appropriate) to NTSCMF for options that will help the GB Charging Framework better fit the required objectives (relevant, stakeholder and to meet EU Compliance).
- Encourage participation and contributions from all that attend and ensure that all parties have a voice. Best endeavours for members to complete actions in a timely manner.
- The outputs of these workshops including all relevant documentation will be shared through the NTSCMF Document library for the Gas Charging Review.

5. Scope

- The scope of the group's work should be subject to change and continually reviewed, linking to NTSCMF.