

Joint Office of Gas Transporters

Transmission Workstream Minutes 5th May 2005

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Thursday 5th May 2005

10 Old Bailey, London

Attendees (Morning session)

John Bradley (Chair)	Joint Office of Gas Transporters
Dennis Rachwal (Secretary)	Joint Office of Gas Transporters
Adam Cooper	Merrill Lynch
Christiana Sykes	EON
Dave Smith	NGT LNG
Joy Chadwick	ExxonMobil
Julie Cox	AEP
Katherine Marshall	SSE
Mark Freeman	NGT Distribution
Mick Curtis	E=mc ²
Mike Young	BGT
Phil Broom	Gaz de France
Rachel Turner	BGT
Rekha Patel	ConocoPhillips
Ritchard Hewitt	NGT Transmission
Sam Parmer	Statoil
Sharif Islam	Total Gas and Power Ltd
Steve Rose	RWE Npower
Stuart Waudby	Centrica Storage
Tanya Morrison	Shell Gas Direct
Tim Davis	Joint Office of Gas Transporters

NOTE

The topic "Review of NTS Exit Capacity Arrangements" was addressed in an afternoon session under the Agenda item of Any Other Business. Notes for this, including an afternoon attendance list, form Appendix A of these minutes.

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1. Report from UNC Modification Panel

JB gave a brief summary. The UNC Panel approved the Chairman's Guidelines, the form of Modification Proposals, Subject Matter Expert Terms of Appointment, Code of Conduct and initial list, and approved the change of name of workstreams (NT&T becoming Transmission) and the addition of an Offtake Arrangements workstream. The UNC Panel also discussed the inclusion of Exit Reform within the Transmission workstream. Also pre-existing modification proposals were renumbered.

2. Minutes from April NT&T Workstream

2.1 No comments received. Minutes approved.

3. Review of Workstream's current Modification Proposals

Mod Prop UNC/Old	Title	Comment / Status
6 / 0727	3 rd Party Proposal : Publication of Near Real Time Data at UK sub-terminals	Ofgem indicated a 6 week Impact Assessment consultation.
9 / 0733	Facilitation of Substitutability Between Capacity and Locational Energy Actions	Ofgem indicated it was minded to accept this proposal.
11 / 0736	Reintroduction of Constrained Top-up	Ofgem indicated it was minded to reject this proposal.
13 / 0740	Amendment to Transco's rights to interrupt for supply / demand purposes	Ofgem indicated it was minded to reject this proposal
13a / 0740a	Amendment to Transco's rights to interrupt for supply / demand purposes	Ofgem indicated it was minded to accept this proposal.
16 / 0743	Amendment of Nomination Timetable	Ofgem decision awaited

NB all these indications were made by Ofgem at the previous Modification Panel

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4. Actions from April NT&T workstream

- 4.1 RH to schedule presentation on National Emergency process post Network Sales. **Action carried forward**
- 4.2 RH to seek approval to circulate Tom Welch's comments about System Management Principles Statement updates. Post meeting note. Centrica Storage does not wish to pursue the comments. **Action closed.**
- 4.3 RH to recommend to panel a 2 month extension to Modification Proposal 7 / 0728 "Provision and Maintenance of Large Firm Supply Point Emergency Contact Information by the Gas Transporter". Panel determined on 21/04/05 it should go to consultation. Representations close out on 23/05/05. **Action closed.**
- 4.4 JB to confirm what will happen to modification proposals "in flight". **Action closed** – as per 1 and 3 above.
- 4.5 JB presented and facilitated discussion of Workstream Process at Governance Workstream on 21st April. **Action closed** although practicalities will emerge and be monitored as the new UNC Modification process becomes active.

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5. Topics Log

A Topic Status Report accompanies these minutes. The discussion leading to this is summarised as follows.

- 5.1 Topics from April NT&T Workstream were reviewed with a view that unless there was good reason they would be closed.

NT&T Topic Ref	UNC Transm Ref	Title	Reason
91	001TR	Supply and Demand Interruption	Awaiting Ofgem decision on Proposals 13 and 13a (0740/0740a). On hold
2531	Closed	Incremental Reform of Energy Balancing Regime.	No specific matters outstanding.
3853	Closed	Provision of Information Relating to Transco Balancing Activities.	No specific matters outstanding.
5906	Closed	Development of Within Day Scheduling	No specific matters outstanding.
107	002TR	Substitutability of Capacity and Locational Energy Actions Following GT Licence Changes	Awaiting Ofgem decision on Proposal 9 (0733). On hold
4122	003TR	Reform Review of NTS Exit Capacity Arrangements	Workstream to facilitate formal UNC governance for Exit Reform Forum.
PSS/7	004TR	Emergency Cash-Out Prices Arrangements	Ofgem's Cash-out review on-going but broader aspects to explore.
PSS/8	005TR	Constrained Top-Up	Awaiting Ofgem decision on Proposal 11 (0736) On hold

5.2 New Topics

006TR – Nomination Timetable. Proposed by EON to build on Modification Proposal 16 / 0743.

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007TR – Section O: System Planning. Proposed by Transco NTS to ensure clearer alignment of agreed current practice with UNC provisions.

5.3 Priority for Discussion of Topics

Topic 003TR has been given a high priority due to the licence obligation on Transporters, the nature of potential changes the Exit Review Forum has discussed to date, and the need for UNC governance.

Topic 004TR has medium priority due to the need for better understanding in the post Network Sales environment, the on-going Cash-out review by Ofgem, and the system outage scheduled for cutover from AT-Link to Gemini in October.

Originators of the two new Topics (006TR and 007TR) advised that these each have relatively low priority at this time, but agreed to make a presentation on their topics at the July and June workstreams respectively.

Action: CS to give a presentation on Topic 006TR at July workstream.

Action: RH to arrange for presentation on Topic 007TR at June workstream.

Topics 001TR and 002TR have associated Modification Proposals which Ofgem indicated it is minded to accept for implementation.

Topic 005TR has an associated Modification Proposal which Ofgem indicated it is minded to reject for implementation.

5.4 Discussion of Topics

Topic 003TR Review of NTS Exit Capacity Arrangements was the only topic discussed in detail. Appendix A contains the minutes for this part of the workstream meeting.

6. Any other business.

The workstream accepted Topic 003TR for detailed discussion following an extended adjournment from the morning session.

Appendix A contains minutes including attendance list for this part of the workstream meeting.

7. Next Meeting

Date: Thursday 2nd June 2005

Start Time: 10:00am

Venue: 10 Old Bailey