

Governance Workgroup Minutes
Thursday 21 July 2011
ENA, 52 Horseferry Road, London

Attendees

Tim Davis (Chair)	TD	Joint Office
Bob Fletcher (Secretary)	BF	Joint Office
Alan Raper	AR	National Grid Distribution
Chris Shanley	CS	National Grid NTS
Chris Warner	CWa	National Grid Distribution
Chris Wright	CWr	British Gas
Dora Ianora	DI	Ofgem
Joanna Ferguson	JF	Northern Gas Networks
Joel Martin	JM	Scotia Gas Networks
Phil Lucas	PL	National Grid NTS
Richard Fairholme	RF	E.ON UK
Richard Street	RS	Corona Energy
Simon Trivella	ST	Wales & West Utilities

1.0 Introduction and Status Review

- 1.1 Minutes from the previous meetings were approved.
- 1.2 There were no actions to review

2.0 Workgroup Meetings

- 2.1 0384 - UNC Modification Rules; housekeeping, clarity and minor drafting changes
- 2.2 0385 - Inclusion of DNOs as Users in User Pays Arrangements

3.0 Issues

None were discussed.

4.0 Any other business

AR raised a concern regarding the rejection of Modifications 0282/0282A. The reasons for rejection were raised early in the process and he wanted to know if there was some way to get an early opinion from Ofgem on likely issues that may prevent implementation, in order to reduce the wasted effort in developing a modification.

ST thought it would be useful seeking an early view from Ofgem to help reduce these aspects. RS agreed in part but thought there can be two sides to any issue and the group should be allowed to explore these fully.

TD felt it is down to the industry to flag the issue to Ofgem and provide them with the evidence to make a decision on whether the modification should be developed. AR thought it might be useful to hold early consultations to identify such issues.

5.0 Diary Planning for Workgroup

The next meetings are planned for:

Thursday 18 August 2011, ENA, following the UNC Committee meeting.