

Report for Modification Panel

October 2005

Distribution Workstream

Meetings Held

Thursday 22 September 2005, 10:00, Novotel, Birmingham Airport.

Planned

The next Workstream meeting is scheduled for Thursday 27 October 2005, 10:00, at Elexon, 350 Euston Road.

Matters for Panel's Attention

Panel to consider and make a recommendation on the following Modification reports: 0023, 0024, 0025, 0026, 0027, 0031, 0032, 0033, 0034, 0041

Modifications Activity

Modification Proposal(s) Raised:

none

Modification Proposal(s) Withdrawn:

none

Draft Modification Report(s) out for Consultation:

0047 'Additional Data Requirements for DM Capacity Referrals' *Reps Close out 31/10/05*

Final Modification Reports:

- 0005 'Provision of a Guarantee of Pressure for Meter Points operating above 21 mbar by the Relevant Transporter' *To Ofgem for a Decision 16/09/2005*
- 0023 'Re-assessment of User Unsecured Credit Limits' *(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2) 11/10/05*
- 0024 'Independent security provision by an entity with an Investment Grade Rating of 'A' or above' *(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2) 11/10/05*
- 0025 'Notice Period for Credit Limit Downgrade and Remedies for Non-compliance' *(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2) 11/10/05*
- 0026 'Application of Charges consistent with Late Payment of Commercial Debts (interest) Act 1998' *(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2) 11/10/05*
- 0027 'Right of Set Off under Uniform Network' *(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2) 11/10/05*
- 0031 'Re-assessment of User Unsecured Credit Limits' *(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2) 11/10/05*
- 0032 'Adjustment to the number of days in the V A R calculation to bring the Code Credit Rules into line with the Best Practice Guidelines, Conclusions document Feb 2005' *(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2) 11/10/05*
- 0033 'Notification to Users of Emergency Incidents – Impacts on Code Communications' *Draft Final Mod Report to Panel for consideration of treatment of Representations 22/09/05*
- 0034 'Netting off of Payments and Credits relating to Transportation Charges' *(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2) 11/10/05*
- 0041 'Re-assessment of User Unsecured Credit Limits' *(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2) 11/10/05*

Modification Proposal(s) Implemented:

0038 'Provision of Information to Support Development of the NTS Investment Programme'
Implemented 15/09/05, Date Signed 14/09/05

Topics Activity**Topic(s) raised:****011Dis Must Reads – Implementation of Modification 017**

High Priority, raised by RWE Npower. Modification 0017 'Amendments to the provisions governing "failure to obtain readings"'. To consider the Meter Read visit being used as a Meter Inspection in reference to Licence Condition 17 obligations. To be discussed at 27/10 Meeting.

012Dis Shrinkage Review Group – 2006 Process

Medium Priority, raised by Total. Consider the formation of a Sub-group of Distribution Workstream to review process for 2006, as no formal review group has been established to review processes and procedures for Shrinkage. To be discussed further at 27/10 Meeting.

013Dis Network Ownership beyond ECV at Prime and Sub-deduct Meter Configuration

High Priority, raised by Total. Consideration to the maintenance of Network pipes and views of Network Ownership beyond the Emergency Control Valve (ECV). To be discussed further at 27/10 Meeting.

Topic(s) reviewed:**002Dis Isolations for Prime & Sub-deducts**

Arrangements for Isolations. Issues/solutions identified; for further discussion at October Meeting.

008Dis Demolition- Service Disconnection

Large scale Disconnections for Demolitions – Governments Sustainable Communities Programme. Transporters to consider a code of practice for Large Scale Service Disconnection; providing a progress update by the November meeting.

009Dis Sunset Provisions 12 July 2006 – Modification 0704

Modification 0704 'Revised requirement for users to ensure non-domestic supply meter installations are installed and maintained by accredited Meter Asset Managers' is due to expire 12 July 2006. To be discussed at the November Meeting.

010Dis Distribution Charges 1 October 2006 – Revised Structure

Revised Structure for Distribution Charges. To be discussed at future meetings when UNC implications are clear.

Topic(s) on hold:**006Dis DN Interruption**

Interruption as part of the exit reform. To be considered in the future.

007Dis Must Reads

Wales & West Utilities to review previous modifications

Topic(s) closed:

none

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UNC Mod Ref	Old Mod Ref	Mod Title	Received	Organisation	Status	Status Update	Next Process
0005	0726	Provision of a Guarantee of Pressure for Meter Points operating above 21 mbar by the Relevant Transporter	28/10/04	Steve Mulinganie (BP Gas Marketing)	Final Mod Report	16/09/05	<i>Ofgem Decision</i>
0023	n/a	Re-assessment of User Unsecured Credit Limits	09/06/05	Transco	(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2)	11/10/05	<i>Panel Consider Report & make recommendation 20/10/05</i>
0024	n/a	Independent security provision by an entity with an Investment Grade Rating of 'A' or above	09/06/05	Transco	(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2)	11/10/05	<i>Panel Consider Report & make recommendation 20/10/05</i>
0025	n/a	Notice Period for Credit Limit Downgrade and Remedies for Non-compliance	09/06/05	Transco	(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2)	11/10/05	<i>Panel Consider Report & make recommendation 20/10/05</i>
0026	n/a	Application of Charges consistent with Late Payment of Commercial Debts (interest) Act 1998	09/06/05	Transco	(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2)	11/10/05	<i>Panel Consider Report & make recommendation 20/10/05</i>
0027	n/a	Right of Set Off under Uniform Network Code	09/06/05	Transco	(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2)	11/10/05	<i>Panel Consider Report & make recommendation 20/10/05</i>
0031	n/a	Re-assessment of User Unsecured Credit Limits	07/07/05	RWE Npower Plc	(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2)	11/10/05	<i>Panel Consider Report & make recommendation 20/10/05</i>
0032	n/a	Adjustment to the number of days in the V A R calculation to bring the Code Credit Rules into line with the Best Practice Guidelines, Conclusions document Feb 2005	07/07/05	RWE Npower Plc	(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2)	11/10/05	<i>Panel Consider Report & make recommendation 20/10/05</i>
0033	n/a	Notification to Users of Emergency Incidents – Impacts on Code Communications	11/07/05	Transco	Draft FMR to Panel for consideration of treatment of Representations	22/09/05	<i>Panel Consider Report & make recommendation 20/10/05</i>
0034	n/a	Netting off of Payments and Credits relating to Transportation Charges	12/07/05	British Gas Trading	(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2)	11/10/05	<i>Panel Consider Report & make recommendation 20/10/05</i>

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0038	n/a	Provision of Information to Support Development of the NTS Investment Programme	14/07/05	Transco	Implemented 15/09/05 Date Signed 14/09/05	14/09/05	<i>Future Version of the Network Code</i>
0041	n/a	Re-assessment of User Unsecured Credit Limits	01/08/05	Total Gas and Power Limited	(draft) Final Mod Report (MR9.5.2)	11/10/05	<i>Panel Consider Report & make recommendation 20/10/05</i>
0047	N/a	Additional Data Requirements for DM Capacity Referrals	23/08/05	National Grid (UKD)	Draft Mod Report out for reps	10/10/05	<i>Reps close out 31/10/05</i>

Distribution Workstream – Topic Status Report

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Topic No	Date Created	Topic Originator	Topic Title	Associated Modification Proposal(s)	Priority for Discussion (H/M/L)	Description	Next Step
Active							
002Dis	26/05/2005	Transco	Isolations for Prime & Sub-deducts		H	Arrangements for Isolations	To be discussed at 27/10 Meeting
008Dis	28/07/2005	WWU	Demolition- Service Disconnection		M	Large scale Disconnections for Demolitions – Governments Sustainable Communities Programme.	Transporters to develop agreed way forward and report back by November Workstream. 22/09/2005 - Transporters to consider bringing action forward.
009Dis	28/07/2005	Ofgem	Sunset Provisions 12 July 2006 – Modification 0704	0704	M	Modification 0704 'Revised requirement for users to ensure non-domestic supply meter installations are installed and maintained by accredited Meter Asset Managers' is due to expire 12 July 2006.	To be discussed at 24/11 Meeting
010Dis	28/07/2005	Transporters	Distribution Charges 1 October 2006 - Revised Structure		L	Revised Structure for Distribution Charges	To be discussed at future meetings when UNC implications are clear.

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011Dis	22/09/2005	RWE NPower	Must Reads - Implementation of Modification 0017	0017	H	Consideration of the Meter Read visit being used as a Meter Inspection in reference to Licence Condition 17 obligations..	To be discussed at 27/10 Meeting
012Dis	22/09/2005	Total	Shrinkage Review Group - 2006 Process.		M	No formal review group has been established to review processes and Procedures for Shrinkage. Possible Sub-group of Distribution Workstream to review process for 2006	To discuss formation of subgroup at 27/10 Meeting.
013Dis	22/09/2005	Total	Network Ownership beyond ECV at Prime and Sub-deduct Meter Configuration.		H	Maintenance of Network pipes and views of Network Ownership beyond the Emergency Control Valve (ECV.)	To be discussed at 27/10 Meeting. Ofgem to provide view of Prime and Sub-deduct Network ownership and Network Licence Conditions
On Hold							
006Dis	26/05/2005	BGT	DN Interruption		L	As part of exit reform.	For future consideration
007Dis	26/05/2005	WWU	Must Reads		L		WWU to review previous modifications