

# **Governance Workstream Minutes**

## **Thursday 16 August 2007**

### **350 Euston Road, London**

#### **Attendees**

Tim Davis (Chair) (TD) Joint Office of Gas Transporters  
Alex Barnes (AB) BG Group  
Alan Raper (AR) National Grid UKD  
Chris Wright (CWr) British Gas Trading  
Jonathan Dixon (JD) Ofgem  
Julian Majdanski (JM) Joint Office of Gas Transporters  
Liz Spierling (LS) Wales & West Utilities  
Mike Berrisford (MB) Joint Office of Gas Transporters  
Phil Broom (PB) Gaz de France  
Richard Fairholme (RF) E.ON UK  
Ritchard Hewitt (RH) National Grid NTS  
Simon Trivella (ST) Wales & West Utilities

#### **1.0 Introduction and Status Review**

##### **1.1 Minutes from Previous Workstream**

Were accepted without amendment.

##### **1.2 Review of Actions**

**GOV1025: Consider further comments and if necessary redraft the Urgent Procedures Guidance Note for the June Workstream meeting.**

See item 3.1 below

#### **2.0 Modification Proposals**

None

#### **3.0 Topics**

##### **3.1 011GOV Urgent Proposals**

BGT's revised document "Guidance Note on Best Practice for Urgent Uniform Network Code Modification Proposals" was discussed.

TD stated that the Panel's record on not unnecessarily delaying Proposals had been good and therefore Proposers should take comfort that the normal procedures could be used for most instances.

TD asked whether Ofgem and others were happy for the Guidance Note to be placed on the website as an agreed note. This was agreed.

##### **Action Closed**

Following the recent discussion regarding UNC 0163 at the previous Panel meeting RF raised the issue of what are the necessary criteria for a Modification Proposal, especially if it is raised as Urgent.

RH noted that there were more User raised Proposals recently and it was important that they should be fully developed and clear if requesting Urgent status, to avoid this situation occurring. There was consensus that a Proposal should always be able to stand on its own merits and should not be a tweak to another Proposal currently in flight.

#### **4.0 Any Other Business**

LS outlined the outcome of recent discussions regarding the Competition Commission findings for UNC 0116V and questioned whether or not clarity could be put into the Modification Rules regarding what should happen in these circumstances.

TD suggested waiting a month to see what output there was from Ofgem.

LS also raised the matter of time expired content in the Transition Document and noted that some Modification Proposals were still inserting text there and questioned why.

AR confirmed that the document was not merely a Transition from Network Code to UNC, but was evergreen and could be continually used for temporary measures.

#### **5.0 Next Meeting**

20 September 2007, following the UNC Committee meeting.

**Action Log – UNC Governance Workstream 16 August 2007**

<b>Action Ref</b>	<b>Meeting Date(s)</b>	<b>Minute Ref</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Owner*</b>	<b>Status Update</b>
GOV 1025	17/05/07	3.1	Consider further comments and if necessary redraft the Urgent Procedures Guidance Note for the August Workstream meeting.	BGT (CWr)	Action closed

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CWr – Chris Wright