

Governance Workstream Minutes

Thursday 18 October 2007

350 Euston Road, London

Attendees

Tim Davis (Chair)	(TD)	Joint Office of Gas Transporters
Beverley Grubb	(BG)	Scotia Gas Networks
Chris Warner	(CWa)	National Grid UKD
Chris Wright	(CWr)	British Gas Trading
Jonathan Dixon	(JD)	Ofgem
John Bradley	(JB)	Joint Office of Gas Transporters
Julian Majdanski	(JM)	Joint Office of Gas Transporters
Liz Spierling	(LS)	Wales and West Utilities
Phil Broom	(PB)	Gaz de France
Robert Cameron Higgs	(RCH)	Northern Gas Networks
Richard Fairholme	(RF)	E.ON UK
Ritchard Hewitt	(RH)	National Grid NTS
Stefan Leedham	(SL)	EDF Energy

1.0 Introduction and Status Review

1.1 Minutes from Previous Workstream

Were accepted without amendment.

1.2 Review of Actions

GOV1028: Notify Users of the recent publication of the Guidance Note on Urgent Proposals and provide a link from the standard template.

This has been completed.

Closed

2.0 Any Other Business

CWr asked about Ofgem carrying out a Review of Governance. JD confirmed that Ofgem is considering conducting a review across all codes and identified some of the current issues. He expected that Ofgem would initiate this in early 2008. PB suggested that the Workstream raise this as a Topic when the review commences.

RH asked about reflecting approved Modification Proposals with future implementation dates in the Uniform Network Code. He believed that previously such text was included in the main body of the Code from the approval date, but the existing text was placed in the Transition Document to apply until the implementation date was reached. The Workstream agreed to discuss this at a future meeting.

JD repeated Ofgem's preference for receiving a commentary with legal text so that it is clear, for example, which proposed changes to the text were associated with which aspects of the Proposal. The Transporters agreed to reflect on the request and respond at the next Workstream. CW suggested that if a Proposal is clear, this type of commentary should not be necessary and suggested that problems experience are characteristic of a lack of clarity.

GOV1029: All Transporters to consider and outline, at the Workstream, their response to Ofgem's request that, in future, UNC legal text includes a commentary

3.0 Next Meeting

November 2007, following the UNC Committee meeting.

Action Log – UNC Governance Workstream 18 October 2007

Action Ref	Meeting Date(s)	Minute Ref	Action	Owner*	Status Update
GOV 1026	20/09/07	4.0	Notify Users of the recent publication of the Guidance Note on Urgent Proposals and provide a link from the standard template.	JO (TD)	Completed Closed
GOV 1027	18/10/07	2.0	Consider and outline, at the Workstream, their response to Ofgem's request that, in future, UNC legal text include a commentary	All Transporters (BG, CW, LS, RCH, RH)	

* key to initials of action owners TD = Tim Davis, BG = Beverley Grubb, CW = Chris Warner, LS = Liz Spierling, RCH = Robert Cameron-Higgs, RH = Ritchard Hewitt