

Workgroup Terms of Reference

0551 - Protecting consumers who are disaggregated under Modification 0428 from Ratchet charges for Winter 2015

Date referred from Panel: 20 August 2015

Background – Why Change?

Please refer to www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0551

Solution

It is proposed that all single metered supply points created as a result of the implementation of Modification 0428 – Single Meter Supply Points would be exempt from ratchet charges for winter 2015/16. As this is a Transitional proposal it is not proposed to change the existing process but instead would see any ratchet charges generated being suppressed.

Topics for Discussion

- Understanding the objective
- Assessment of alternative means to achieve objective
- Development of Solution (including business rules if appropriate)
- Assessment of potential impacts of the modification
- Assessment of implementation costs
- Assessment of legal text
- Provide a clear (plain English) explanation of how Ratchet charges work and what they mean for consumers;
- Provide a timeline for how the transitional period will work, included invoicing impacts.

Outputs

Produce a Workgroup Report for submission to the Modification Panel, containing the assessment and recommendations of the Workgroup.

Composition of Workgroup

The Workgroup is open to any party that wishes to attend or participate.

A Workgroup meeting will be quorate provided at least two Transporter and two User representatives are present.

Meeting Arrangements

Meetings will be administered by the Joint Office and conducted in accordance with the Code Administration Code of Practice.