UNC Workgroup 0720S Minutes Amendments to the Agreed Target Quantity at the Moffat Interconnection Point

Thursday 02 July 2020

via Microsoft Teams

Attendees

Rebecca Hailes (Chair)	(RH)	Joint Office		
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HC)	Joint Office		
Anna Stankiewicz	(ASt)	National Grid		
Bethan Winter	(BW)	Wales & West Utilities		
Bill Reed	(BR)	RWE		
Christiana Sykes	(CS)	Shell		
Chris Wright	(CW)	Exon Mobil		
Jeff Chandler	(JCh)	SSE		
Kamila Nugumanova	(KN)	ESB		
Malcolm Montgomery	(MM)	National Grid		
Max Lambert	(ML)	Ofgem		
Nick Wye	(NW)	Waters Wye Associates		
Paul Youngman	(PY)	Drax		
Phil Hobbins	(PH)	National Grid		
Pavanjit Dhesi	(PD)	Interconnector UK		
Shiv Singh	(SS)	Cadent		
Sinead Obeng	(SO)	Gazprom		
Steven Britton	(SB)	Cornwall Energy		
Steve Pownall	(SP)	Xoserve		
Terry Burke	(TB)	Equinor		

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The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 16 July 2020.

1.0 Introduction and Status Review

Rebecca Hailes (RH) welcomed all parties to the quorate meeting.

Malcolm Montgomery (MM) confirmed that he received a communication expressing interest in having a similar arrangement to GNI UK from PTL (the TSO Operator for Northern Ireland). He suggested that the Workgroup continue, however, developing the Workgroup Report.

The Workgroup briefly considered the option of progressing the Modification as it is for GNI UK or delaying submission of the Workgroup Report to allow the incorporation of the necessary amendments for PTL.

RH confirmed a Workgroup Report would need to be submitted to meet the requested Panel reporting date anyway and suggested the Workgroup request a short extension.

1.1. Approval of minutes (04 June 2020)

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

1.2. Approval of Late Papers

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None to approve.

1.3. Review of outstanding actions

0601: MM to provide an amended Modification incorporating Workgroup request for clarification on what GNI System Exit Demand specifically refers to and the solution where constraints occur.

Update: See item 2.0. Closed.

2.0 Review Amended Modification

MM provided a brief recap on the intent of the Modification to allow GNI UK more flexibility to provide End of Day quantities earlier in the Gas Day.

MM provided an overview of the Modification's amendments (v2.0).

Paul Youngman (PY) asked for further clarification on what an Exceptional Event would be. MM explained that this would be a Transportation constraint. PY asked if this was defined and where this was defined. MM explained this is defined within the Interconnection Agreement. PH confirmed that an Exceptional Event means any unplanned event that is not reasonably controllable, and this arises from the EU Interoperability Code. MM clarified that National Grid are using the existing structure and not changing any existing definitions.

PY suggested that the Workgroup should review the definition of Transportation Constraints as he believed it may only refer to entry points with the UNC General Terms. The Workgroup considered GTC Section 2.4.1.

MM provided a marked-up update to the Moffat Interconnection Agreement Annex B - Nominations, Section 2.1. No further comments were made from the Workgroup on the amendments to Annex B. MM confirmed there were no further changes to Annex H, shared with the Workgroup in June.

Upon reviewing the Modification, a number of further amendments were suggested which National Grid (MM) agreed to pick up when incorporating changes to include PTL.

3.0 Development of Workgroup Report

The Workgroup considered and updated the draft Workgroup Report, noting some extra suggested changes for the Modification.

As National Grid preferred to include PTL within the scope of the Modification it was agreed that an interim report would be provided to the UNC Modification Panel in July, with a request for a two-month extension, until September 2020, with the ability to report back in one month.

The Workgroup reviewed all sections with the Workgroup Report. It was clarified that the text changes do not involve changes to the UNC, these changes are to the Moffat Interconnection Agreement and these will be published alongside the report.

The Workgroup reviewed the Relevant Objectives and suggested that the Proposer might remove positive impact on Relevant Objective b):

- b) Coordinated, efficient and economic operation of
 - (i) the combined pipe-line system, and/ or
 - (ii) the pipe-line system of one or more other relevant gas transporters.

This is because the Workgroup believed that the relevant gas transporters are GB gas transporters.

RH requested that when the Modification is updated it should mirror the changes discussed and recorded within the Workgroup Report.

4.0 Next Steps

Joint Office of Gas Transporters

RH confirmed that an interim Workgroup Report would be submitted to the July UNC Panel meeting with a request to extend the Workgroup until September 2020. Workgroup will look to review a further amendment to the Modification at the July meeting and if possible, look to submit the Workgroup report one month early to the July Panel if possible.

5.0 Any Other Business

None.

6.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:00 Friday 06 August 2020	Teleconference	Amended Modification to include PTL Completion of Workgroup Report
10:00 Friday 03 September 2020	Teleconference	Contingency Meeting for Completion of Workgroup Report

Action Table (as at 02 July 2020)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0601	05/06/2020	3.0	MM to provide an amended Modification incorporating Workgroup request for clarification on what GNI System Exit Demand specifically refers to and the solution where constraints occur.		Closed