

Gas Operational Forum - Minutes

Ops Forum Pack	June
Meeting Date:	Thursday 28 th June 2018
Location:	National Grid House, Warwick
Start Time:	09:30

Attendance						
National Grid	Jon Davies (JD)	Y	Karen Thompson (KT)	Y	Martin Cahill (MC)	Y
National Grid	Mike Wassell (MW)	Y	George Charalampous (GC)	Y	Rob Gibson (RG)	Y
National Grid	Harj Kandola (HK)	Y	Rachael Robinson (RR)	Y	Phil Hobbins (PH)	Y
National Grid	Elliot Dunn (ED)	Y	Sarah Carrington (SG)	Y		
Xoserve	Fiona Cottam (FC)	Y	Chris Fears (CF)	Y	Helen Field (HF)	Y
*Audience Total = 35	<i>From the following organisations: BEIS, Centrica, CIA, CNG, EDF, Engie, EON, EP Invest, ESB, GMSL, GNI, ICE, Orsted, OVO Energy, RWE, Shell, Storengy, Total, Uniper, Waterswye</i>					

* Please refer to the attendee list for further information

Agenda Item	Minutes	Action Ref
Introductions/ Actions from Previous Forums	- KT reviewed actions and Feedback from the previous Operational Forum in June	
Operational Summary (HK)	<p>HK covered an operational summary of the start of the summer (01/04/2018 to 31/05/2018). Slides available in PDF pack:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Higher than normal demand at the beginning of the summer, which has now dropped to normal summer demand - LDZ Demand has followed a similar pattern, starting high, and returning to more normal levels - IUK Exports have been relatively low. - Supply from UKCS and Norway has been much more variable this year, as demonstrated by larger range in slide chart - Supply from LNG has reduced significantly compared to last year, which is likely due to relatively high prices in Asian markets - More gas has been supplied from the south, in line with the trend seen in winter - Action NG to share link to full pack for Operational Data. Not all of audience was aware that this pack is available on the website. Pack for June + historical packs to be shared. - NG to share simplified NTS PDF map 	<p>1</p> <p>2</p>
GNI Presentation (Wayne Mullins)	<p>WM provided an overview of Gas Networks Ireland history + current operation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GNI operates Transmission + Distribution networks in Ireland, provides all new customer connections, manages a 24 hour emergency response service, and is expanding into new areas such as renewable gas and smart metering. - Corrib gas supplies are gradually decreasing, putter greater emphasis on supplies from Moffat - Large proportion of gas used for power generation compared with National Grid - Significant challenge for GNI to balance on a daily basis, with imbalance charges increased - 11 Shippers currently registered for trading through Irish Balancing Point 	
Shrinkage Incentive (GC)	<p>GC Gave an overview of Gas Shrinkage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3 components of shrinkage: Compressor Fuel Use, Unaccounted for Gas, and Calorific Value Shrinkage - Outturn cost of £70-80 million per year recharged through commodity charges - 2017/18 total volume = 3818 GWh (0.4% of annual system demand) 	

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Xoserve Updates (FC/CF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FC covered an update for UIG, as well as a summary of Mod0658, which is currently with Ofgem following a Mod Panel in June - CF covered recent GEMINI incidents + lessons learned since April, and the GEMINI Contingency exercise (Starburst) - Action Xoserve to consider what the enduring % of UIG might look like - Action NG/Xoserve to advise Ops Forum attendees when starburst findings are available 	3 4
UNC Modifications overview & Charging review (PH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PH gave an update on live UNC modifications - 0653 Updating the parameters for the NTS Commodity Charge - 0662 Revenue Recovery at Combined ASEPs - 0682S/0629S modifications for Project CLoCC - 0642, 0642A, and 0643 awaiting approval from Ofgem - 0621 Proposed for a new charging methodology for use of the NTS – this should result in more stable and predictable charges 	
Gas Regulatory Change Programme Update (SC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SC covered GB Charging Review, EU Tariff Code, and Gemini Sustain Project - National Grid carrying out a project to deliver system changes related to obligations in the EU tariff code and UNC Mod 621 - GEMINI is operating on ageing hardware and therefore it is important to prioritise feedback of difficulties experienced for system enhancements - Strategy is currently for GEMINI to be replaced in RIIO T2 - Follow up session for GEMINI workshop via WebEx at the beginning of August 	
Exercise Zeus (RG)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RG covered aims + next steps for this year's emergency exercise - Aim is to provide a vehicle to test NEC communications to the UK gas industry in order to demonstrate the industry's ability to effectively respond to a Network Gas Supply Emergency 	
Morning Close (KT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - KT provided an overview of upcoming winter webinars - Action -reminder to raise any future agenda items via Karen.Thompson@nationalgrid.com or Box.Operationalliasion@nationalgrid.com - Action Slide packs + minutes to be shared - NG incentive performance was previously published on a quarterly basis, but is not currently. Action for attendees to request if this is something that would be useful. 	5 6 7
Afternoon (RIIO T2 Customer Listening)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Discussion on industry views around data provision for RIIO T2 - Insight provided around what information is required to drive customer/stakeholder strategic and operational decisions - Action Attendees to advise National Grid if they would like a face-to-face meeting to discuss information provision further, or any other stakeholder priority - Action NG to communicate findings from information provision by the end of summer 	8 9

Action Ref	Action	Who is Responsible	Expected Closure
1	NG to Share link to Online pack for operational data	NG	July 2018
2	NG to share simplified NTS PDF Map	NG	July 2018
3	Xoserve to consider what enduring % of UIG should look like	Xoserve	August 2018
4	NG/Xoserve to advise Ops Forum attendees when findings from Starburst are available	NG/Xoserve	August 2018
5	All to raise any agenda items if desired	Attendees	September 2018
6	Slide pack + Minutes to be shared	NG	Closed
7	Request if reintroduction of quarterly incentive performance reports would be useful	Attendees	September 2018
8	Attendees to advise if they wish to schedule a face-to-face meeting for information provision, or any other Stakeholder priority	Attendees	August 2018
9	NG to communicate findings from information provision by the end of the summer	NG	September 2018