

NATIONAL GRID OPERATIONAL FORUM MINUTES

10 May 2006

Bloomsbury Thistle Hotel, London

Present:

F Gracias	National Grid	T Johnson	E.ON UK
L Roe	National Grid	S Grayson	E.ON UK
A Malins	National Grid	G Bratton	Merrill Lynch
R Griffiths	National Grid	L Male	APX Group
J Munbodh	National Grid	M Carter	Centrica Energy
M Shannon	National Grid LNG	M Linke	Centrica Energy
K Henriksen	Statoil	S Waudby	Centrica Storage
D Hazelwood	Statoil	K Stanton	Sempra
A Brandi	Statoil	T Jesshop	ConocoPhillips
R Norris	Hetco	C Prestwich	Smartest Energy
B Date	Corona Energy	A-M Segbedzi	Ofgem
M Rezvani	S&S	C Sibley	Ofgem
D Tomlin	BP Gas	S Watson	Gaz de France
J R Rastoul	Gaselys	G Pickering	Total
T Mayes	Barclays Capital	S Parle	J Aron
J Keulemans	Essent	G Roberts	Macquarie Bank
H Bartenk	Essent	J Tehara	Interconnector (UK)
N Browne	Total	J Bourdeau	EdF Trading
A Shrigley	ENI	J Bradley	Joint Office
J Walsh	E.ON UK		

1.0 Action Items from Previous Meeting

1.1 No Actions

2.0 Compliance Reporting

2.1 Compliance Report for March to April 2006 was presented. There were no breaches.

3.0 Performance of the Energy Regime

3.1 Data was presented for February and March 2006.

3.2 Balancing costs for period 1st October 2005 to 31st March 2006 were a net revenue to neutrality of £18.7m (-0.0847p/therm of throughput). This is a significant increase from last year.

4.0 Performance of Capacity Regime

4.1 The capacity presentation now includes data for all auctions (QSEC, MSEC, RMSEC, DADSEC, WDDSEC, DISEC)

4.2 There were no scale backs of interruptible capacity or buy back of firm capacity during March 2006.

5.0 DM Nomination Performance

5.1 It was noted that there is continuing significant under-nomination of DMs which is effecting NDM forecasts. National Grid are still awaiting a response from shippers on what they are doing to improve the accuracy of their DM nominations particularly at 13:00 D-1.

- 5.2 National Grid stated that a representative from Xoserve or the DNCC would give a presentation on demand forecasting at the next Ops Forum.
- 6.0 **Winter Review 2005/06**
- 6.1 A review of winter 2005/06 was presented.
- 7.0 **Summer Maintenance Programme**
- 7.1 The summer maintenance programme is now in progress. A report was given on work currently being undertaken, and work which will be undertaken in the next few months.
- 8.0 **APX Gas Update**
- 8.1 Les Male of APX Gas gave the APX Gas Update.
- 8.2 A new trading platform is being introduced and shippers have been asked for feedback.
- 9.0 **Ofgem Update**
- 9.1 Ofgem update not required.
- 10.0 **Gemini Update**
- 10.1 Richard Griffiths gave a presentation updating shippers on the recent outages and incidents which have occurred in Gemini.
- 11.0 **Gas Operational Data – Survey 2006**
- 11.0 Shippers were given details of the Gas Operational Data Survey which is currently taking place.

Next Meeting: 12th July 2006 – Venue TBA