

Notes of Gas Transporters Forum

8th Nov 2005

Present:	Andy Malins	National Grid (chair)
	F Gracias	National Grid
	Ian ward	National Grid Distribution
	Paul Youngman	National Grid
	Paul Remer	National Grid
	Russell Cooper	National Grid
	Angus Paxton	National Grid
	Lindsey Reid	National Grid Distribution
	Liz Spierling	Wales & West Utilities
	Hazel Daniels	National Grid
	Paul Clarke	National Grid Distribution
	Mark Freeman	National Grid Distribution
	Paul Green	National Grid
	K Dixon	Northern Gas Networks
	Brian Stonemen	Northern Gas Networks
	K Owen	Northern Gas Networks
	L Joseph	Scotia Gas Networks
	Sue Higgins	National Grid

Main Points and Action Items from Meeting

01. Supply and Demand Update

This will be a regular slot.

Demand for Winter 05/06 - 1 in 20 Diversified is 494mcm. Demands in October have been below SND with most Demand being met from Beach Gas to date.

Supply for Winter 05/06 – Base assumption for Beach, 303mcm. IUK have enhanced capacity this winter, Rough stock has a record amount for this coming winter and LNG sites are full.

02. Network Planning Review

The presentation was given by Angus Paxton. He explained about the timescales achieved and the difficulties in receiving data for Network analysis. A standard template will be used in the New Year for recording data and DN analysis will be based on Y-1 Offtake Capacity Statement's CVs to allow 'Safety Case' compliance. Concerns were raised by the DN 's regarding the CV calculations used in forecasting.

It was decided that a communication process is required to look at issues and matters that each DN may want to discuss individually.

03. Exercise Moscow

A presentation was given on the Emergency Exercise held in September. Successes included the effective testing of existing procedures and identifying areas for improvement. The Exercise demonstrated effective incident management across a wide number of industry players. There were several learning points; Shipper confusion over contact with the

DNCC/GNCC. There was variable shipper performance when contacting interruptible portfolio, 43% could not turn off and delays in delivering 15% isolation would have resulted in the need for additional isolation for some LDZ's.

A final report will be shared with the industry after agreeing findings with the HSE.

04. Emergency Curtailment

Paul Youngman gave a presentation on Mod 0044 . He explained its objectives and the responsibilities of Transporters. He explained the methodology of calculating the ECQ and the P 70 and P71 process. An internal exercise will be carried out to test the process.

05. GNCC/DNCC Communications

Paul Green discussed communications between GNCC and DNCC. All procedures are now in place. Support for Interruption and Emergency Management were both tested during exercise Moscow. There is an outstanding issue regarding NTS OLI runs impaling on DN Offtakes. There is a need to communicate timings to reduce conflict. Communications will now be logged formally.

06. Other Issues

It was suggested by attendees that it would be useful to hold these meeting Quarterly and on the same day as the OAD National Grid agreed to this suggestion and will co-ordinate arrangements for future DN forums with the Joint Office.

Next Meeting: Date and venue to be advised for 2006.