

# **OFGEM Update - Gas Operational Forum**

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# Gas Significant Code Review (SCR) - Background and Context

#### Project Discovery

- Assessment of whether market arrangements in the GB can deliver secure, sustainable energy supplies
- Major challenges, including reliance on global gas markets
- Key issue: security of supply is not fully priced in both gas and electricity arrangements

#### Possible remedies

 Reform of gas emergency cash out was a common element of all gas market options in Discovery

#### A need for additional measures?

- Is there a case for obligations to deliver supply security?
- Lessons from the financial crisis
- We are directly engaged in supporting the Government's energy markets agenda

## Gas Significant Code Review (SCR) -

- Initial Consultation ongoing
  - examining the case for cash-out prices to reflect market prices more closely
  - & changes to the role of National Grid and Network Emergency Coordinator
  - & compensation arrangements for customers on noninterruptible contracts
- Submit responses by 22 February
  - Minutes of January seminars on Ofgem website
- Draft decision and 2<sup>nd</sup> consultation in May / June

#### **Transmission Gas SO incentive schemes -**

#### Operating Margin & GHG Emissions

- National Grid's initial proposals published in November 2010
- Ofgem developing final proposals following consideration of these initial proposals and views of respondents
- Final proposals consultation around the end of February
- New schemes to be implemented from April 2011, subject to consent from National Grid

# **European Developments (3rd Package)**

#### **Gas Balancing**

- ERGEG framework guidelines in development, publication expected in Spring
- Developed by Ofgem so proposal likely to reflect UK experience

#### **Capacity Utilisation**

- Acer to launch re-consultation on framework guidelines in March

## **European Developments (3rd Package)**

#### **Congestion Management Procedure**

- EU-level regulations to be decided by accelerated Comitology
- European Commission to submit final proposal
- Expect consultation by Commission early February

#### **Target Model – what should the market look like in 5-10 years?**

- Ofgem co-chairing ERGEG action. Vision paper by end of 2011
- Workshops this year. Feb (Bonn), April (London), Summer (Brussels)



#### **Links to documents**

#### **Gas SCR Consultation**

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/CustomPages/Pages/LiveConsultations.aspx

#### **ERGEG Gas Balancing Consultation**

http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/CustomPages/Pages/LiveConsultations.aspx

#### **ERGEG Events & Consultations**

http://www.energy-regulators.eu/portal/page/portal/EER HOME/EER WORKSHOP http://www.energy-regulators.eu/portal/page/portal/EER HOME/EER CONSULT

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