

Summary of National Grid Gas Transmission Stakeholder Group Meeting 7

Meeting Number:	NG-SG07
Meeting Date:	17 th April 2019
Location:	Radisson Blu Edwardian Grafton, 130 Tottenham Court Road, London, W1T 5AY
Start Time:	09:30 – 16:30
Attendees:	<p>Chair: Trisha McAuley (TM) Technical Secretary: Tamsin Kashap (TK)</p> <p>Members: Dustin Benton (DB), Green Alliance Caroline Bragg (CB), Association for Decentralised Energy Jade Kirk (JK), Robin Hood Energy Andy Manning (AM), Centrica Denise Massey (DM), Energy Innovation Centre Campbell Murdoch (CM), Total Eddie Proffitt (EP), Major Energy Users Council Will Webster (WW), Oil and Gas UK</p> <p>National Grid Representatives: Phil Sheppard (PS), National Grid Director of Gas Transmission Owner Tony Nixon (TN), National Grid Gas Transmission Regulation Lead</p> <p>Invitees: Amelia Affum (AA) National Grid Stakeholder Group Electricity Transmission Technical Secretary Catherine Bell (CBe) National Grid Sufficiently Independent Director Clive Elphick (CE) National Grid Sufficiently Independent Director Steven Fisher (SF) National Grid Commercial Operations Manager - Gas Bridget Hartley (BH) National Grid Business Planning and Strategy Manager Carole Hook (CH), National Grid RIIO-T2 Regulatory Strategy Manager Tom Neal (TN) Innovation Delivery Manager</p>
Apologies:	Paul Denniff (PD), Scotia Gas Network Zoe McLeod (ZM), Independent Consumer Advocate

Description
<p>The recent meeting of the independent stakeholder user group for gas transmission was a very busy day. We covered five important topics within the RIIO 2 business plan and the meeting was attended by the National Grid Sufficiently Independent Directors, Catherine Bell and Clive Elphick.</p> <p>Firstly, we focussed on emissions compliance which forms part of NGGT's environmental proposals. The members of the group were challenging NGGT to assess value for money for current and future consumers as well as demonstrating decarbonisation commitments in their proposals. This was followed by two sessions on innovation and incentives, in both cases looking at the RIIO 1 journey and ambition and proposals for RIIO 2. The incentives discussion focused on four areas where NGGT is considering new proposals- linepack, innovation, collaboration (whole energy systems) and connections. Members gave NGGT a range of questions to consider for each. The final sessions of the day were on benchmarking and regulatory depreciation.</p>

The independent stakeholder user group have a meeting in May in order to start the writing of our report. This will be followed by a meeting in June on the full NGGT business plan in advance of submission to Ofgem and their Challenge Group.