

iGT059 - Supply Point Registration - Facilitation of Faster Switching (raised by E.On)

Terms of Reference

Purpose

This Development Group has been established to progress modification iGT059.

Background

At the Ofgem-led Change of Supplier Expert Group and other areas of industry and public debate, it is considered that the duration of a customer transfer from one supplier to another currently takes too long and this duration is considered to create a less than effective competitive market.

The solution is to reduce the period between the end of the Objection Deadline and the Supply Point Registration Date (commonly known as the confirmation period) to 2 Business Days, from the existing 7 Business Days.

Deliverables

The Development Group is asked to deliver:

1. A final report outlining the findings of the Group, including recommendations for any changes to the iGT UNC.
2. Draft modification proposals for changes to iGT UNC and potentially individual network codes (any amendments to modification proposals will be made at the discretion and will be the responsibility of its respective proposer).
3. Accompanying legal text for the modification.

Reports of progress will be provided to the iGT UNC Modification Panel at each meeting held throughout the period of the Development.

Scope

The Development Group will be asked to consider:

- The objective of the modification
- The potential impacts of reducing the confirmation window to 2 days
- Potential solutions for any impacts identified
- An assessment of the implementation costs (if deemed material)
- Producing suitable legal text to accompany the modification

Composition

iGTs (and their systems developers where appropriate), shippers, Ofgem, any other interested party.

Panel members agreed that by holding a joint development group comprising of iGT059DG and UNC477DG members would help progress iGT059 and align the approaches taken in both codes. iGTs and the Joint Office are to determine who will chair and administer a joint meeting).

Should iGT059DG members feel a standalone iGT059DG is required, subsequent to any joint Development Group(s), it will be chaired and administered by the iGTs. An iGT-nominated lead will maintain oversight and responsibility for the progress of the work under iGT UNC.

Information Sources

IGT-UNC, UNC, Ofgem COSEG documentation

Timetable

The development work is expected to commence in January 2014. Members should seek to conclude their work ready for a Development Group Report to be presented at the February panel.

Approval

These terms of reference are subject to approval by Panel. However, the Development Group may recommend changes to the Terms of Reference if required.