

SEM Committee Meeting

Draft Minutes Meeting No. 8

Location: CER Offices, Dublin
Date: 29th July 2008
Time: 11.00 – 3.30 pm

Attendees: Tom Reeves (CER), Michael Tutty (CER), Iain Osborne (NIAUR), Dermot MacCann (NIAUR), Alan Rainey (NIAUR), Ignacio Perez-Arriaga, Jose Sierra.

In attendance: For all items Dermot Nolan(CER)
For Agenda Item 4a, 4c David Naughton(CER), Philip Newsome(CER), Juliet Corbett(NIAUR)
For Agenda Item 4b, 4d, 6 Tadhg O Briain (NIAUR), Colin Broomfield(NIAUR).

Minute Taker: Paul O Neill(CER)

1. Adoption of agenda

Agenda adopted without comment.

2. Approval of Minutes.

Minutes of the meeting of 24th June 2008 were approved.

3. Review of Action List.

The following actions have been closed 38,55,56,57,59,
Item 32,58,60 remain open..

4.a Aggregated Generator Unit Modification DN,PN.

Following discussion and in the light of the relatively small amount of generation involved and the added flexibility it brings to the market the Committee agreed to approve the Modification.

The following points were also noted,

- Committee agreed to use the contractual route in the short term but the RAs should write to the Ministers concerning new legislation.
- The quality of drafting by the Modifications Committee needs to improve and market participants should be warned that where mods are not time-critical, the Committee will be likely to ask them to resubmit badly drafted mods.
- The Committee considers that there may be a case for seeking cost-recovery for implementation of individual mods from their promoters. However, as the promoters in this case are small entrants, and as consumers are expected to benefit from their entry, this is not the right case on which to bring in such an approach.

4.b Ballylumford BCOP Compliance. TOB

The Committee accepted that PPB has good cause to base its commercial offer data on the appropriate price for quantities sufficient in aggregate to ensure that Ballylumford meets its minimum "take or pay" quantities under the terms of the LTI contract with Centrica, which is now in its final year.

4c. Diversity of Contracts Report, DN

Update was noted by the meeting.

4d. MMU Note on Return on Capital, TOB

Update was noted by the meeting.

5. Strategy Day. PON

Strategy Day Agenda approved subject to minor comments. Presentations should be relatively short (15-20 minutes) to allow sufficient time for discussion.

6. MMU Update. TOB.

The Committee reviewed the report and discussions around prices, uplift, and market share took place. Minor amendments to the report should be reviewed by the Oversight Committee before publication.

7. Update on TSC Modifications

Update was noted by the meeting.

8. Reporting of the decisions of the Oversight Committee.

Decisions were noted by the Committee.

9. Updates CER/NIAUR/Independent members

Discussion and updates noted.

10. AOB

It was agreed that a special SEM Committee meeting would take place to approve the BNE Decision in August, by teleconference, and that the August Committee meeting was not necessary.

Date of next meeting: 23rd^h Sept, Location to be confirmed.