

SEM Committee Meeting

Minutes Meeting No. 11

Location: NIAUR, Belfast
Date: 28th Oct. 2008
Time: 10.00 – 1.30 pm

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

In attendance: For all items Eugene Coughlan(CER)
For Agenda Items 4, 5 Colin Broomfield(NIAUR), Paul Bell(NIAUR), Andrew McCorrison(NIAUR).
For Agenda item 8 Juliet Corbett(NIAUR), Kevin O Neill(NIAUR)

Minute Taker: Paul O Neill(CER)

1. Adoption of agenda

Agenda adopted without comment.

2. Approval of Minutes.

Minutes of the meeting of 23rd Sept. 2008 were approved.

3. Review of Action List.

Item 58,60 remain open.

4.a MMU Enforcement Issues. PB

PB updated the meeting on an issue relating to TLAFs and their application under the BCOP. The meeting was supportive of the view that TLAFs should be applied to adjust bids. The matter was referred back to the Oversight for final resolution.

The Committee noted that analysis is underway in relation to Kilroot No-load costs. The impact of any proposed guidance on other plant should be considered before issue. The matter was referred back to the Oversight for final resolution.

4.b Strategy Day Actions. PON

The plan was noted by the meeting but timetabling requires further work by the Oversight Committee. The relationship/synergies between the electricity and the gas retail future developments should be considered and a meeting has been arranged to discuss. The work plan to be resubmitted to the next meeting.

5. MMU Update. AMcC, CB.

AMcC/CB gave an update on prices over the last month. There were a large number of unscheduled outages in the period which did impact prices. Prices showed a good correlation with underlying fuel prices. The Committee expressed the view that the MMU must remain vigilant to guard against gaming.

6. Update on TSC Modifications

Update was noted by the meeting, and the improved quality of proposals noted with pleasure.

7. Reporting of the decisions of the Oversight Committee.

Decisions were noted by the Committee.

8. SEMO Quarterly Report. JC/KON

JC took the meeting through the paper. JC noted that improvement is required in the production of a number of reports. The next Price Control should consider the development of KPI's and incentives for SEMO. The IT depreciation period should also be reviewed.

9. Updates CER/NIAUR/Independent members

Discussion and updates noted.

10. AOB

Registration of Generating Units in the SEM & the ESB Asset Strategy. EC

This paper was approved by the Committee.

Ofgem meeting.

Meeting to be arranged on 3rd Dec. for preliminary discussions on Ireland/England market coupling. M Tutty agreed to revert to Ofgem about timing of meeting on behalf of both NIAUR and CER.

AES Letter to be dealt with by the Oversight Committee.

Date of next meeting: 25th Nov, 10.00 TO 3.00pm , CER,Dublin