

OFFTAKER OF LAST RESORT ADVISORY GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE

Objectives:

- Support the development of a robust, cost-effective and deliverable Offtaker of last resort (OLR) design
- Provide expert feedback and recommendations on specific aspects of the OLR design;
- Ensure that a wide range of expert input – including relevant generation technologies, electricity suppliers, finance, legal and accounting specialists – is available to inform OLR design; and
- Provide an interface for keeping stakeholders informed of progress on the OLR design.

The group will provide advice on design proposals and contribute to recommendations as requested by DECC. DECC will retain responsibility for all advice and recommendations made to Ministers.

Meetings:

The advisory group will provide input through a mixture of formal meetings and informal correspondence by phone and email.

Regularity and length of meetings will depend on the topics identified for discussion and the amount of work that can be progressed by correspondence. We expect to hold a meeting every 3 weeks until the end of 2013, consisting of 1-2 hours. DECC will provide the chair and the secretariat.

Papers:

DECC will aim to circulate papers for the Group 2-3 days in advance of meetings taking place; though there may on occasion be exceptions.

Group members will be required to handle any papers with discretion. If any protectively marked documents are shared with members, guidance on document handling will be provided and must be followed.

Minutes:

Regular summaries of advisory group discussions will be made available on the DECC website, together with papers where it is appropriate for these to be published. Members will be expected to report back on discussions to their organisations and trade bodies.

Membership:

Members of the group have been selected on the basis of their expertise. Substitutes will not therefore be generally accepted, although observers may be welcome and we will accommodate for exceptional circumstances.

Members of the Group are also expected to act impartially and they, their organisations or any of their subsidiaries will not be bound by any recommendations made by the Group.

Ofgem officials that are members of this group do not represent the views of the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority. Their attendance should therefore not be considered an implicit or explicit endorsement or agreement to the outcomes and will not fetter the Authority's discretion in the future.

DECC reserves the right to review membership in future to ensure the group remains effective.

Sector	Organisation	Member
Generators	RES	Dave Handley
	EDP Renewables	Maria Paz Garcia Alajarin
	Energos	Andrew MacLellan
	The Green Company	Ben Cosh
Big Utilities	EDF	Ravi Baga
	Eon	Christian Pegrum
	Scottish Power	Stuart Noble
Suppliers	GDF Suez	Phil Broom
	Smartest Energy	Robert Owens
	Good Energy	Simon Proctor
Legal	Brodies	Keith Patterson
Accountancy	PwC	Konstantin Suplatov
Finance	BNP Paribas	Nick Gardiner
	PCCP	Dima Rifai
	PwC	Charlie Garrood
Ofgem	Ofgem	Martin Bell