

TDC Meeting 10 - Headline Report

21 March 2018

This headline report provides a record of the discussions and decisions made by the Trading Disputes Committee (TDC) at its tenth meeting.

1. Update of Trading Dispute

The Market Operator (MOSL) presented a summary of the recent trading dispute, TD0022, which occurred between Thames Water and Castle Water.

A number of points were discussed, including:

- The number and nature of data items being disputed; and
- The definition of a trading dispute, as opposed to data errors, in the market codes and whether this will need to be reviewed in the future.

MOSL also provided a brief update of three more trading disputes that have been raised by Castle Water, but stated that it would provide more detailed information at the April 2018 TDC meeting.

The TDC:

- **NOTED** the presentation.

2. Potential Change Proposal

MOSL presented the issues that have been witnessed thus far in the market which it feels can be addressed appropriately with a change proposal. MOSL stated that the timescales in which trading parties are able to raise corrective settlement runs are restrictive as it is understood that the timescales have led to the raising of dispute runs to correct data items. It is believed that an extension or removal of these timescales would negate this need. MOSL invited the TDC to provide its view of whether the materiality threshold is too restrictive, noting that in its current form some trading parties have been unable to meet the threshold, despite both involved parties supporting a corrective run. MOSL invited the TDC to provide a view of whether a change proposal should be raised by MOSL, with endorsement by the TDC, to address both these market issues.

A number of points were discussed by committee members, including:

- Agreement that a change proposal addressing the corrective runs' deadline and materiality threshold for unplanned settlement runs would be appropriate;
- Whether there should be the possibility to rerun settlement for a select number of supply points (SPIDs) rather than an entire wholesaler-retailer pairing and associated system limitations;
- The cost of rerunning settlement and whether it should be changed from a 'polluter pays' principle to one more proportionate to the number of SPIDs in the rerun; and
- The potential modified progression route for the change proposal being raised. Members agreed that a request for information from trading parties earlier in the proposed process would be useful.

The TDC:

- **NOTED** the presentation;
- **AGREED** that MOSL should commence work on a Request for Information (RFI) consultation piece; and
- **AGREED** that a change proposal may be raised by MOSL with endorsement by the TDC, subject to feedback from the RFI.

3. Follow-up on Previous TDC Communication

MOSL presented updates to previous TDC communication that had been sent to members regarding the TDC Terms of Reference (ToR), the TDC annual report and the internal data protection control that was preventing MOSL from sharing essential dispute related information to trading parties. It stated that there was no feedback to date on amendments to the TDC ToR and that the annual report would be circulated to members on paper day for the April 2018 TDC meeting. The TDC also stated that it would keep a watching brief on the impact of MOSL's data protection control and whether it would need to be revisited in the future.

The TDC:

- **NOTED** the presentation.

4. Any Other Business

The next scheduled TDC meeting is 18 April 2018. It was noted that the TDC secretary would inform members of whether the meeting will proceed and distribute all relevant papers at least five days prior to the meeting.

There was no further business and the Chair closed the meeting.