

AM03

Notice of administrator's proposals



Companies House

For further information, please
refer to our guidance at
www.gov.uk/companieshouse

1	Company details	
Company number	0 9 8 4 4 7 8 3	→ Filling in this form Please complete in typescript or in bold black capitals.
Company name in full	UK Energy Incubator Hub Ltd	
2	Administrator's name	
Full forename(s)	Howard	
Surname	Smith	
3	Administrator's address	
Building name/number	c/o Interpath Ltd	
Street	10 Fleet Place	
Post town	London	
County/Region		
Postcode	E C 4 M 7 R B	
Country		
4	Administrator's name ①	
Full forename(s)	Richard John	① Other administrator Use this section to tell us about another administrator.
Surname	Harrison	
5	Administrator's address ②	
Building name/number	c/o Interpath Ltd	② Other administrator Use this section to tell us about another administrator.
Street	10 Fleet Place	
Post town	London	
County/Region		
Postcode	E C 4 M 7 R B	
Country		

AM03

Notice of Administrator’s Proposals

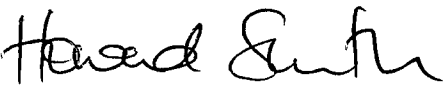
6

Statement of proposals

	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> I attach a copy of the statement of proposals	
--	---	--

7

Sign and date

Administrator’s Signature	Signature ✕  ✕																	
Signature date	<table><tr><td>^d</td><td>^d</td><td>^m</td><td>^m</td><td>^y</td><td>^y</td><td>^y</td><td>^y</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>0</td><td>0</td><td>8</td><td>2</td><td>0</td><td>2</td><td>2</td></tr></table>	^d	^d	^m	^m	^y	^y	^y	^y	3	0	0	8	2	0	2	2	
^d	^d	^m	^m	^y	^y	^y	^y											
3	0	0	8	2	0	2	2											

AM03

Notice of Administrator's Proposals



Presenter information

You do not have to give any contact information, but if you do it will help Companies House if there is a query on the form. The contact information you give will be visible to searchers of the public record.

Contact name **Samuel Henderson**

Company name **Interpath Ltd**

Address **5th Floor, 130 St Vincent Street**

Post town **Glasgow**

County/Region

Postcode **G 2 5 H F**

Country

DX

Telephone **Tel +44 (0) 121 817 8635**



Checklist

We may return forms completed incorrectly or with information missing.

Please make sure you have remembered the following:

- ☐ The company name and number match the information held on the public Register.
- ☐ You have attached the required documents.
- ☐ You have signed and dated the form.



Important information

All information on this form will appear on the public record.



Where to send

You may return this form to any Companies House address, however for expediency we advise you to return it to the address below:

The Registrar of Companies, Companies House,
Crown Way, Cardiff, Wales, CF14 3UZ.
DX 33050 Cardiff.



Further information

For further information please see the guidance notes on the website at www.gov.uk/companieshouse or email enquiries@companieshouse.gov.uk

This form is available in an alternative format. Please visit the forms page on the website at www.gov.uk/companieshouse

Joint Administrators' proposals

UK Energy Incubator Hub Ltd - in
Administration

30 August 2022

Deemed delivered: 30 August 2022

Notice to creditors

We have made this document available to you to set out the purpose of the administration and to explain how we propose to achieve it.

We have also explained why the Company entered administration and how likely it is that we will be able to pay each class of creditor.

You will find other important information in the document such as the proposed basis of our remuneration.

A glossary of the abbreviations used throughout this document is attached (Appendix 5).

Finally, we have provided answers to frequently asked questions and a glossary of insolvency terms on the following website, www.ia-insolv.com/case+INTERPATH+UM50484839.html. We hope this is helpful to you.

Please also note that an important legal notice about this statement of proposals is attached (Appendix 6).

Contents

1	Executive summary	2
2	Background and events leading to the administration	4
3	Strategy and progress of the administration to date	7
4	Dividend prospects	9
5	Ending the administration	10
6	Approval of proposals	10
7	Joint Administrators' remuneration, expenses and pre-administration costs	11
8	Summary of proposals	12
Appendix 1	Statutory information	14
Appendix 2	Joint Administrators' receipts and payments account	15
Appendix 3	Joint Administrators' charging and expenses policy	16
Appendix 4	Statement of Affairs & Estimated financial position	22
Appendix 5	Glossary	24
Appendix 6	Notice: About this statement of proposals	26

1 Executive summary

UK Energy Incubator Hub Ltd (the 'Company') was incorporated on 27 October 2015. The Company was previously named Euston Energy Limited and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Neo Energy Gas & Shipping Limited, who became shareholder in May 2019. The Company's previous owner, Northumbria Energy Limited, entered compulsory liquidation in June 2020.

The Company was licensed by the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority ('Ofgem') to supply gas and electricity to domestic and non-domestic premises in the United Kingdom. The Company operated as a market access enabling subsidiary of Neo Energy Gas & Shipping Limited ('NEGSL') and Neo Energy Limited ('NEL'), trading as Northumbria Energy and Neo Energy respectively, under reported white label agreements.

The Company was loss making and was experiencing cash flow pressure as a result of the loss of its hedged gas positions following the collapse of Contract Natural Gas Limited in December 2021. This resulted in the Company acquiring its energy from the wholesale market at materially higher prices. Moreover, regulatory price caps were set at levels lower than wholesale market prices, rendering sales unprofitable.

Ofgem issued the Company with a provisional order on 31 March 2022, compelling it to provide financial and other information to the regulator. Further provisional orders were issued on 1 June 2022 regarding customer service and complaint handling issues, and on 17 June 2022 ordering financial and other information to be provided.

The Company's licence to provide electricity and gas was revoked by Ofgem in the early hours of 9 July 2022 with Ofgem appointing Octopus Energy Ltd ('Octopus') as the new supplier under its Supplier of Last Resort ('SoLR') process.

On 13 July 2022, following an application to Court from the Company's largest known creditor, National Grid, Howard Smith and Richard Harrison were appointed as Joint Administrators of the Company (Section 2 - Background and events leading to the administration).

The Joint Administrators' strategy will focus on ensuring a smooth customer migration to the SoLR where possible and seeking to realise the Company's remaining assets. The Administrators will work closely with Octopus and Ofgem to execute this strategy (Section 3 - Strategy and progress of the administration to date).

We are not aware of any secured creditor at the date of our appointment (Section 4 - Dividend prospects).

The Company had no employees and at present we are not aware of any preferential claims (Section 4 - Dividend prospects).

Based on current estimates, it is highly unlikely that a distribution will be made to unsecured creditors (Section 4 - Dividend prospects).

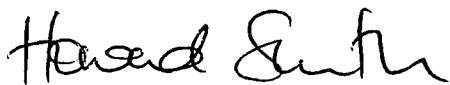
The Proposals will be deemed approved eight business days following the delivery to creditors (Section 6 - Approval of proposals).

We propose that our remuneration will be drawn on the basis of the time properly given by us and our staff. We are not seeking approval of our remuneration at present

and accordingly are not providing creditors with our fee estimate at this time. Additionally, due to the ongoing complexities of the administration we are not providing an expense estimate at the present time but will do so in our first progress report. (Section 7 - Joint Administrators' remuneration, expenses and pre-administration costs).

It is too early in the administration of the Company to determine the ultimate exit route, however the most likely exit route will be dissolution. (Section 5 - Ending the administration).

This document in its entirety is our statement of proposals. A summary list of the proposals is shown in Section 8 together with all relevant statutory information included by way of appendices. Unless stated otherwise, all amounts in the proposals and appendices are stated net of VAT.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Howard Smith', written in a cursive style.

Howard Smith
Joint Administrator

2 Background and events leading to the administration

2.1 Background information

The Company was incorporated on 27 October 2015 and traded under the name Euston Energy Limited until 3 September 2021. The Company subsequently changed its name to UK Energy Incubator Hub Ltd.

The principal activity of the Company was to act as a market enabling partner for its two white label partners in the corporate group, NEL and NEGSL, trading under the Neo Energy and Northumbria Energy brands respectively.

The Company was licensed by Ofgem to supply gas and energy to domestic and non-domestic premises in the United Kingdom. These licenses were granted in 2016.

Our understanding of the Group is that the Company, as the licensed supplier, purchased energy on the wholesale market and subsequently passed this on, under reported white label agreements, to NEL and NEGSL.

As a result of this arrangement, we understand that the Company started to accrue material intercompany debtors with NEL and NEGSL that remain outstanding at the date of our appointment.

Since our appointment we have been made aware that the Company appears to have had no UK trading locations and no employees, with the two white label partners in the group, NEL and NEGSL, providing staff and the use of third-party partners to carry out all operational and back-office functions.

It is our understanding that numerous intercompany transactions with other group entities, mainly NEL and NEGSL, took place in the period of two years prior to the administration. Our investigations into the affairs of the Company are ongoing as outlined in Section 3.2. and as part of the process, we will also consider any such transactions.

2.2 Funding and financial position of the Company

The Company's funding position is unclear, but we understand that the Company was incorporated and financed initially by its ex-director and ultimate beneficial owner, Oliver Friedrich.

The Company banked with Lloyds TSB Bank Plc ('Lloyds' or the 'Bank') and had received lending under the Bounce Bank Loan Scheme ('BBLs') of £50,000. At the date of our appointment the balance of the loan was £38,333.

The Company is exempt from audit and has only been filing micro accounts since its incorporation. According to the last filed accounts for the financial year ended 28 February 2021, the Company reported capital and reserves of £384,000.

2.3 Events leading to the administration

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of NEGSL, who became shareholder in May 2019. The Company's previous owner, Northumbria Energy Limited, entered compulsory liquidation in June 2020.

The Company's trading difficulties began with the collapse of Contract Natural Gas Ltd, who the Company hedged their gas energy prices with. This resulted in the loss of their hedged positions and forced the Company to acquire its electricity and gas from the wholesale market at prevailing costs, which were materially higher than those incurred previously.

Additionally, we understand that the Company's white label partners, NEL and NEGSL, struggled to maintain an efficient billing process with many of its customers, which meant as energy prices increased, debts were not being collected in line with the increasing regulatory price caps.

National Grid plc ('Grid') were one of the Company's wholesale suppliers, and were owed over £1.6 million at the date of our appointment for supplies made to the Company. Despite numerous attempts to recover monies owed, including the use of a statutory demand, the Company did not settle Grid's outstanding liability in full as it fell due.

Additionally, Ofgem had issued a provisional order on 31 March 2022 to compel the Company to provide the regulator with financial and other information relating to its activities. The requested information was provided to Ofgem on 5 May 2022 and the provisional order was subsequently revoked on 18 May 2022.

Another provisional order was issued to the Company on 1 June 2022 following further concerns over the Company's customer service arrangements and processes, mainly relating to their fair treatment of customers and complaints processes. This was followed by a further provisional order issued on 17 June 2022 relating to financial stress testing and a Management Control Framework.

Alongside the action being taken by Grid to recover balances owed to them, Ofgem proposed that a final order be made against the Company. This would have mandated that Oliver Friedrich be removed from his position of significant management responsibility or influence on the basis that he is not fit and proper to occupy such a role.

In the early hours of 9 July 2022, the Company ceased trading following the revocation of its licenses to supply gas and electricity. Subsequently, Ofgem appointed Octopus as the new supplier under its SoLR process.

On 13 July 2022, following an application to Court by Grid for unpaid amounts owed, an Administration Order was made in relation to the Company appointing Howard Smith and Richard Harrison as Joint Administrators.

The Joint Administrators were brought into the opportunity by Shakespeare Martineau LLP ('SHMA') who had acted as legal advisors for Grid. Interpath had no previous engagement with the Company or with Grid before the appointment of the Joint Administrators.

At the time of our appointment, we disclosed to the Court details of the work carried out by Interpath up to that time.

We are satisfied that the work carried out by Interpath before our appointment, including the pre-administration work summarised below, has not resulted in any relationships which create a conflict of interest or which threaten our independence.

Furthermore, we are satisfied that we are acting in accordance with the relevant guides to professional conduct and ethics.

2.4 Pre-administration work

The Company was the holder of an Electricity Supply Licence and a Gas Supply License (the 'Licenses'). As a consequence of the Company being unable to pay its debts as they fell due, Ofgem revoked the Licenses and initiated the process to appoint a SoLR.

The primary reason for that action being taken was to ensure continuity of supply to customers. As a direct result of the SoLR process being initiated, the following limited work was undertaken prior to our appointment, directly in preparation for placing the Company into administration:

- Insolvency planning in order to be in a position to take an administration appointment;
- Liaising with key stakeholders including, but not limited to, Ofgem, Grid and Octopus (the appointed SoLR) in respect of the administration appointment, licence revocation, and the administration strategy;
- Detailed information gathering where possible in order that we could derive our strategy; and
- Liaising with our legal advisors, SHMA, regarding the preparation and filing in Court of the appointment documents.

We carried out this work with the objective of achieving the purpose of the administration in accordance with Paragraph 3(1) (b), which is to achieve a better result for the Company's creditors as a whole than would be likely if the Company was wound up.

2.5 Appointment of Joint Administrators

An application was made to Court by Grid for the Company to be placed into administration. An Administration Order was made at the High Court of Justice, Business and Property Courts of England & Wales, Insolvency and Companies List (ChD) on 13 July 2022 and we were duly appointed.

3 Strategy and progress of the administration to date

3.1 Strategy to date

Strategy

As a consequence of the Company's Licenses being revoked and the SoLR process being executed, it was not possible to trade the business whilst in administration.

Therefore, the following strategy is being implemented with the primary aim of maximising returns to creditors whilst ensuring fair treatment of customers:

Intercompany debtors and final billing

There remains a lack of financial information available for us to form a complete view on monies owed in relation to energy supplies made to the Company's reported white label partners. However, from information we have gathered to date, an intercompany debt of approximately £4.6 million may be due from NEGSL and NEL to the Company in respect of supply of gas and electricity within the group. This is based on information provided to Ofgem by the Company on 5 May 2022.

We have attempted to work with the directors of NEGSL and NEL to establish their ability to repay these monies. Our current understanding is that the primary asset of both entities is customer monies owed up until the date at which customers were transferred to Octopus on 9 July 2022. In order to collect these monies, a final billing process will need to be conducted.

We continue to work with various stakeholders, including but not limited to Octopus, Ofgem, NEGSL and NEL to determine the optimum method in which to carry out this final billing process. We will provide an update on this in our progress report.

Books and records

Upon our appointment, a request was made to all stakeholders of the Company to deliver up all Company books and records to the Joint Administrators. We have received a modest amount of information from third-party partners in light of these requests.

Multiple requests for financial and other information have been made to the current and former directors of the Company to assist the Joint Administrators in maximising returns to creditors of the estate.

Whilst limited information has been provided, we continue to make requests for further detailed information that will enable us to better assess the financial position, especially the asset and liability position of the Company.

At the date of this report, this detailed information has not been delivered. It is noted that the current and former directors have indicated that appropriate financial records were not maintained.

Contribution to costs

Given the nature of our appointment and the limited assets within the Company, a request was made of Octopus, to provide cost cover to ensure a smooth transition of customers could be enacted. An initial £100,000 contribution to costs was agreed with Octopus.

Cash at bank

Immediately following our appointment, we contacted Lloyds, the Company's pre-appointment bankers, to freeze the Company's account. We continue to work with the Bank to realise funds into the Joint Administrators' bank account.

GoCardless

GoCardless was the Company's direct debit platform provider, which was used by the Company to historically collect customer monies prior to the reported white label arrangements with NEL and NEGSL being established.

Several legacy customers continued to pay amounts into this GoCardless account by direct debit. We understand that GoCardless have received a material amount of chargeback claims and are currently withholding monies whilst these claims are assessed. It is currently uncertain whether there will be funds available for the administration estate.

VAT

We have been made aware of a potential VAT asset in the Company. Whilst further work to establish the quantum, basis and likelihood of recovering any monies into the estate still needs to be conducted, there may be a potential recovery to the estate. We will provide an update on this in our first progress report.

3.2 Asset realisations

Realisations from the date of our appointment to 19 August 2022 are set out in the attached receipts and payments account (Appendix 2).

Summaries of the most significant realisations to date are provided below.

Contribution to costs

During the period we received a payment of £100,000 from Octopus which was a contribution to costs of the administration following the execution of a funding agreement between parties. This funding is repayable to Octopus to the extent of asset recoveries in the administration estate.

Investigations

We are reviewing the affairs of the Company to find out if there are any actions which can be taken against third parties to increase recoveries for creditors.

In this regard, if you wish to bring to our attention any matters which you believe to be relevant, please do so by writing to Samuel Henderson at Interpath Advisory, 5th Floor, 130 St Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5HF, United Kingdom.

3.3 Costs

No payments have been made from the date of our appointment to 19 August 2022 as set out in the attached receipts and payments account (Appendix 2).

Due to the ongoing complexities of the administration at present and the lack of available information, we are not providing an expense estimate at the present time but will do so in our first progress report.

4 Dividend prospects

4.1 Secured creditors

We are not aware at this time of any secured claims against the Company.

4.2 Ordinary preferential creditors (employees)

Claims from employees in respect of (1) arrears of wages up to a maximum of £800 per employee, (2) unlimited accrued holiday pay and (3) certain pension benefits, rank preferentially (in advance of floating charge holders and ordinary unsecured creditors) and in priority to other preferential creditors (see 5.3 below). These claims are therefore referred to as "ordinary preferential creditors".

We are not aware at this time of any ordinary preferential claims against the Company.

4.3 Secondary preferential creditors (HMRC and the Financial Services Compensation Scheme)

Claims from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme ('FSCS') and HMRC, in relation to VAT, PAYE, employees' National Insurance contributions ('NIC') and Construction Industry Scheme ('CIS') deductions, rank preferentially, but secondary to the employee ordinary preferential creditors above. These claims are therefore referred to as "secondary preferential creditors".

The amount of secondary preferential claims is currently unknown. Additional work will need to be undertaken in this regard to determine the quantum, if any, of secondary preferential claims.

4.4 Unsecured creditors

Based on current estimates, it is highly unlikely that there will be a dividend to unsecured creditors.

5 Ending the administration

5.1 Exit route from administration

We consider it prudent to retain all of the options available to us, as listed in Section 8 to bring the administration to a conclusion in due course.

However, at this stage we anticipate that the most likely exit route will be dissolution.

5.2 Discharge from liability

We will seek approval from the Court that we will be discharged from liability in respect of any action as Joint Administrators upon the filing of our final receipts and payments account with the Registrar of Companies.

Discharge does not prevent the exercise of the Court's power in relation to any misfeasance action against us.

6 Approval of proposals

6.1 Deemed approval of proposals

The administrators' proposals will be deemed approved, with no requirement to seek deemed consent or use a decision procedure, as it appears that the Company has insufficient property to enable us to make a distribution to the unsecured creditors.

On expiry of eight business days from the date our proposals were delivered to the creditors, they will be deemed to have been approved by the creditors unless 10% in value of creditors request that a decision procedure is convened. Further details of the steps to convene a procedure are detailed below.

6.2 Creditors' right to request a decision

We will use a decision-making procedure or deemed consent to seek approval of our proposals (1) if asked to do so by creditors whose debts amount to at least 10% of the total debts of the Company; and (2) if the procedures set out below are followed. Requests for a decision must be made within eight business days of the date on which our proposals were delivered. They must include:

- a statement of the requesting creditor claim;
- a list of the creditors concurring with the request, showing the amounts of their respective debts in the administration;
- written confirmation of their concurrence from each concurring creditor; and
- a statement of the purpose of the proposed meeting;

In addition, the expenses of the decision procedure at the request of a creditor must be paid by that creditor. That creditor is required to deposit security for such expenses with us.

If you wish to request a decision, please complete and return the decision requisition form which can be found on <https://www.ia-insolv.com/case+INTERPATH+UM50484839.html>.

7 Joint Administrators' remuneration, expenses and pre-administration costs

7.1 Approval of the basis of remuneration and expenses

We propose separately to seek approval at a later date from the relevant creditors that:

our remuneration will be drawn on the basis of time properly given by us and the various grades of our staff in accordance with the fees estimate to be provided at the time of seeking approval;

Category 2 expenses (as defined in Statement of Insolvency Practice 9) will be charged and drawn in accordance with Interpath Advisory's policy as set out in Appendix 3.

Agreement to the basis of our remuneration and the drawing of Category 2 expenses is subject to specific approval by a separate procedure of the relevant creditors. It is not part of our proposals as set out in this document.

Time costs

From the date of our appointment to 19 August 2022, we have incurred time costs of £111,352. These represent 228 hours at an average rate of £488 hour.

Expenses

We have not incurred any expenses during the period.

Additional information

Due to the complexities of this engagement, both realisations and the costs we will incur to achieve these realisations remain uncertain at present. Additionally, realisations achieved will determine the relevant creditor bodies from which we will seek approval. Accordingly, we are not seeking approval of our remuneration at present and are therefore not providing creditors with our fees estimate at this time. In due course we will provide the requisite information to enable creditors to make an informed decision.

We have attached (Appendix 3) an analysis of the time spent, the charge-out rates for each grade of staff and the expenses paid directly by Interpath for the period from our appointment to 19 August 2022. We have also attached our charging and expenses recovery policy.

7.2 Pre-administration costs

See the Guidance Note for further information.

The following pre-administration costs have been incurred in relation to the pre-administration work detailed in Section 2.4:

Interpath fees	NIL	10,068.50	10,068.50
Interpath expenses	NIL	NIL	NIL
Total	NIL	10,068.50	10,068.50

The payment of unpaid pre-administration costs as an expense of the administration is subject to the same approval as our remuneration, as outlined above. It is not part of our proposals.

8 Summary of proposals

The initiation of the SoLR process meant that rescuing the Company in accordance with Paragraph 3(1)(a) is not achievable.

Therefore our primary objective is to achieve a better result for the Company's creditors as a whole than would be likely if the Company were wound up, in accordance with Paragraph 3(1)(b).

In addition to the specific itemised proposals below, this document in its entirety constitutes our proposals.

We propose the following:

General matters

- to continue to do everything that is reasonable, and to use all our powers appropriately, in order to maximise realisations from the assets of the Company in accordance with the objective as set out above;
- to investigate and, if appropriate, to pursue any claims the Company may have;
- to seek an extension to the administration period if we consider it necessary.

Distributions

- to make distributions to the preferential creditors, should there be any preferential claims in the administration, and funds are available;
- to make distributions to the unsecured creditors if funds become available, and to apply to the Court for authority to do so, where applicable.

Ending the administration

We might use any or a combination of the following exit route strategies in order to bring the administration to an end:

- apply to Court for the administration order to cease to have effect from a specified time and for control of the Company to be returned to the Director;

- place the Company into creditors' voluntary liquidation. In these circumstances we propose that we, Howard Smith and Rick Harrison, be appointed as Joint Liquidators of the Company without any further recourse to creditors. If appointed Joint Liquidators, any action required or authorised under any enactment to be taken by us may be taken by us individually or together. The creditors may nominate different persons as the proposed Joint Liquidators, provided the nomination is received before these proposals are approved;

- petition the Court for a winding-up order placing the Company into compulsory liquidation and to consider, if deemed appropriate, appointing us, Howard Smith and Rick Harrison, as Joint Liquidators of the Company without further recourse to creditors. Any action required or authorised under any enactment to be taken by us as Joint Liquidators may be taken by us individually or together;

- file notice of move from administration to dissolution with the Registrar of Companies if we consider that liquidation is not appropriate because (1) no dividend will become available to creditors, and (2) there are no other outstanding matters that require to be dealt with in liquidation. The Company will be dissolved three months after the registering of the notice with the Registrar of Companies.

Alternatively, we may allow the administration to end automatically.

Joint Administrators' remuneration and pre-administration costs

We propose that:

- our remuneration will be drawn on the basis of time properly given by us and the various grades of our staff in accordance with the fees estimate to be provided in due course and the charge-out rates included in Appendix 3;

- Category 2 expenses (as defined in Statement of Insolvency Practice 9) will be charged and drawn in accordance with Interpath Advisory's policy as set out in Appendix 3;

- unpaid pre-administration costs be an expense of the administration.

Appendix 1 Statutory information

Company information

Company and Trading name	UK Energy Incubator Hub Ltd
Date of incorporation	27 October 2015
Company registration number	09844783
Trading address	20 – 22 Wenlock Road, London, N1 7GU
Previous registered office	20 – 22 Wenlock Road, London, N1 7GU
Present registered office	10 Fleet Place, London, EC4M 7RB
Company Director	Alexander Kluender
Company Secretary	N/A

Administration information

Administration appointment	The administration appointment granted in High Court of Justice, The Business and Property Courts of England and Wales, 001353 of 2022
Appointor	Applicant to Court
Date of appointment	13 July 2022
Joint Administrators	Howard Smith and Rick Harrison
Purpose of the administration	Achieving a better result for the Company's creditors as a whole than would be likely if the Company were wound up.
Functions	The functions of the Joint Administrators are being exercised by them individually or together in accordance with Paragraph 100(2).
Current administration expiry date	12 July 2023
Prescribed Part	The Prescribed Part is not currently applicable on this case.

Appendix 2 Joint Administrators' receipts and payments account

UK Energy Incubator Hub Ltd - in Administration		
Abstract of receipts & payments		
Statement of affairs (£)	From 13/07/2022 To 19/08/2022 (£)	From 13/07/2022 To 19/08/2022 (£)
ASSET REALISATIONS		
Contribution to costs	100,000.00	100,000.00
	100,000.00	100,000.00
	100,000.00	100,000.00
REPRESENTED BY		
Floating charge current		120,000.00
Floating ch. VAT payable		(20,000.00)
		100,000.00

Appendix 3 Joint Administrators' charging and expenses policy

Joint Administrators' charging policy

The time charged to the administration is by reference to the time properly given by us and our staff in attending to matters arising in the administration. This includes work undertaken in respect of in-house Interpath Advisory tax, VAT and employee specialists.

Our policy is to delegate tasks in the administration to appropriate members of staff considering their level of experience and requisite specialist knowledge, supervised accordingly, so as to maximise the cost effectiveness of the work performed. Matters of particular complexity or significance requiring more exceptional responsibility are dealt with by senior staff or us.

A copy of "A Creditors' Guide to Joint Administrators Fees" from Statement of Insolvency Practice 9 ('SIP 9') produced by the Association of Business Recovery Professionals is available at:

<https://www.r3.org.uk/technical-library/england-wales/technical-guidance/fees/more/29113/page/1/guide-to-administrators-fees/>

If you are unable to access this guide and would like a copy, please contact Samuel Henderson on 0121 817 8635.

Hourly rates

Set out below are the relevant hourly charge-out rates for the grades of our staff actually or likely to be involved on this administration. Time is charged by reference to actual work carried out on the administration, using a minimum time unit of six minutes.

All staff who have worked on the administration, including cashiers and secretarial staff, have charged time directly to the administration and are included in the analysis of time spent. The cost of staff employed in central administration functions is not charged directly to the administration but is reflected in the general level of charge-out rates.

Managing Director	725
Director	675
Associate Director	590
Manager	495
Senior Associate	345
Associate	245
Support	155

The charge-out rates used by us might periodically rise (for example to cover annual inflationary cost increases) over the period of the administration. In our next statutory report, we will inform creditors of any material amendments to these rates.

Policy for the recovery of expenses

Where funds permit the officeholders will seek to recover both Category 1 and Category 2 expenses from the estate. For the avoidance of doubt, such expenses are defined within SIP 9 as follows:

Expenses: These are any payments which are neither an office holder's remuneration nor a distribution to a creditor or a member. Expenses also includes disbursements which are payments first met by the office holder, and then reimbursed to the office holder from the estate.

Category 1 expenses: These are payments to persons providing the service to which the expense relates who are not an associate of the office holder. These may include, for example, advertising, room hire, storage, postage, telephone charges, travel expenses, and equivalent costs reimbursed to the officeholder or his or her staff.

Category 2 expenses: These are payments to associates or which have an element of shared costs. They may include shared or allocated costs that can be allocated to the appointment on a proper and reasonable basis, for example, business mileage.

Associates: are defined in the insolvency legislation but also extends to parties where a reasonable and informed third party might consider there would be an association between the third party and the office holder or their firm.

Category 2 expenses charged by Interpath Restructuring include mileage. This is calculated as follows:

Mileage claims fall into three categories:

Use of privately-owned vehicle or car cash alternative – 45p per mile.

Use of company car – 60p per mile.

Use of partner's car – 60p per mile.

For all of the above car types, when carrying Interpath passengers an additional 5p per mile per passenger will also be charged where appropriate.

We have not incurred any expenses during the period.

Total	NIL	NIL	NIL
--------------	------------	------------	------------

We have the authority to pay Category 1 expenses without the need for any prior approval from the creditors of the Company.

Category 2 expenses are to be approved in the same manner as our remuneration.

Narrative of work carried out for the period 13 July 2022 to 19 August 2022

The key areas of work have been:

Statutory and compliance	collating initial information to enable us to carry out our statutory duties, including creditor information, details of assets and information relating to the licences; providing initial statutory notifications of our appointment to the Registrar of Companies, creditors and other stakeholders, and advertising our appointment; preparing statutory receipts and payments accounts; arranging bonding and complying with statutory requirements; and ensuring compliance with all statutory obligations within the relevant timescales.
Strategy documents, Checklist and reviews	formulating, monitoring and reviewing the administration strategy including meetings with internal and external parties; briefing of our staff on the administration strategy and matters in relation to various work-streams; regular case management and reviewing of progress, including regular team update meetings and calls; meeting with management to review and update strategy and monitor progress; reviewing and authorising junior staff correspondence and other work; dealing with queries arising during the appointment; reviewing matters affecting the outcome of the administration; allocating and managing staff/case resourcing and budgeting exercises and reviews; liaising with legal advisors regarding the various instructions, including agreeing content of engagement letters; and complying with internal filing and information recording practices, including documenting strategy decisions.
Cashiering	setting up administration bank accounts and dealing with the Company's pre-appointment accounts; reconciling post-appointment bank accounts to internal systems; and ensuring compliance with appropriate risk management procedures in respect of receipts and payments.
Tax	gathering initial information from the Company's records in relation to the taxation position of the Company; submitting relevant initial notifications to HM Revenue and Customs; reviewing the Company's pre-appointment corporation tax and VAT position; and dealing with post appointment tax compliance.
Shareholders	providing notification of our appointment; and providing copies of statutory reports to the shareholders.
General	reviewing time costs data and producing analysis of time incurred which is compliant with Statement of Insolvency Practice 9.
Asset realisations	collating information from the Company's records regarding the assets; reviewing outstanding debtors and management of debt collection strategy; seeking legal advice in relation to asset realisations; liaising with third parties, including the SOLR, regarding final billing to recover intercompany balances; liaising with the Company's bank and direct debit platform provider to recover cash at bank and other debtor realisations collected since our appointment; and reviewing the inter-company debtor position between the Company and other group companies.
Property matters	performing land registry searches.
Open cover insurance	arranging ongoing insurance cover for the Company's business and assets; liaising with the post-appointment insurance brokers to provide information, assess risks and ensure appropriate cover in place; and assessing the level of insurance premiums.
Pensions	carry out compliance searches within the Pension Protection Fund and DWP database in respect of any historic Company's pension schemes.
Creditors and claims	drafting and circulating our proposals; creating and updating the list of unsecured creditors; working with stakeholders, including the SOLR, NEGLS and NEL, to formulate a strategy for a final billing process; responding to enquiries from creditors regarding the administration and submission of their claims; and reviewing completed forms submitted by creditors, recording claim amounts and maintaining claim records.

Investigations/ Directors	reviewing Company and directorship searches and advising the director of the effect of the administration; liaising with management to request the Statement of Affairs; and requesting questionnaires from the Director and former directors of the Company
------------------------------	--

Time costs

Pre-Administration costs (01/07/2022 to 12/07/2022)						
	Hours				Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
	Partner / Director	Manager	Administrator	Support		
Appointment documents		2.00			2.00	1,180.00
Pre-administration checks	8.40	3.70	0.90		13.00	8,163.50
Statement of Affairs preparation	1.00				1.00	725.00
Total	9.40	5.70	0.90	0.00	16.00	10,068.50

SIP 9 –Time costs analysis (13/07/2022 to 19/08/2022)			
	Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
Administration & planning			
Bankrupt/Director/Member			
General correspondence	6.60	3,456.50	523.71
Notification of appointment	3.80	1,311.00	345.00
Statutory reports	0.80	276.00	345.00
Cashiering			
Fund management	3.00	1,770.00	590.00
General (Cashiering)	0.60	207.00	345.00
General			
Books and records	67.55	30,626.00	453.38
Fees and WIP	1.50	1,087.50	725.00
Statutory and compliance			
Appointment and related formalities	9.20	3,394.50	368.97
Bonding & Cover Schedule	0.20	69.00	345.00
Checklist & reviews	1.30	645.50	496.54
Pre-appointment checks	2.50	612.50	245.00
Statement of Affairs preparation	0.70	431.50	616.43
Statutory advertising	0.80	276.00	345.00
Strategy documents	19.65	10,253.00	521.78
Tax			
Initial reviews - CT and VAT	2.10	798.00	380.00
Post appointment corporation tax	1.30	497.50	382.69
Post appointment VAT	2.00	812.50	406.25
Creditors			

SIP 9 –Time costs analysis (13/07/2022 to 19/08/2022)

	Hours	Time Cost (£)	Average Hourly Rate (£)
Creditors and claims			
Agreement of claims	9.00	2,205.00	245.00
General correspondence	3.60	1,487.00	413.06
Statutory reports	8.70	4,147.00	476.67
SoLR/Final billing process			
SoLR and final billing process	38.60	24,100.00	624.35
Investigation			
Directors			
Correspondence with directors	24.50	14,180.50	578.80
D form drafting and submission	0.10	34.50	345.00
Directors' questionnaire / checklist	2.60	667.00	256.54
Statement of affairs	0.40	236.00	590.00
Investigations			
Correspondence re investigations	1.50	1,087.50	725.00
Review of pre-appt transactions	6.50	2,242.50	345.00
Realisation of assets			
Asset Realisation			
Cash and investments	4.80	2,604.00	542.50
Debtors	1.00	725.00	725.00
Health & safety	1.00	245.00	245.00
Insurance	2.30	867.00	376.96
Total in period	228.20	111,352.00	487.96
Brought forward time (appointment date to SIP 9 period start date)	0.00	0.00	
SIP 9 period time (SIP 9 period start date to SIP 9 period end date)	228.20	111,352.00	
Carry forward time (appointment date to SIP 9 period end date)	228.20	111,352.00	

All staff who have worked on this assignment, including cashiers and secretarial staff, have charged time directly to the assignment and are included in the analysis of time spent. The cost of staff employed in central administration functions is not charged directly to the assignment but is reflected in the general level of charge out rates.

All time shown in the above analysis is charged in units of six minutes.

Appendix 4 Statement of Affairs & Estimated financial position

The Director was due to provide a Statement of the Affairs of the Company by 29 July 2022 as requested on 14 July 2022. Reminders for the completion of this were sent on 25 July 2022 and 5 August 2022.

An extension to complete the Statement of Affairs of the Company was granted until 22 August 2022. To date a completed Statement of Affairs has still not been received.

We continue to chase the completion of the Statement of Affairs and if this is received at a date post the filing of this Report, the Statement of Affairs will be filed with the Registrar of Companies. Please note that disclosure of the contents of the Statement of Affairs may be restricted with the Court's permission if it is considered that disclosure would be adverse to the interests of creditors.

As a Statement of Affairs has not been provided, we would generally look to set out an estimated financial position of the Company at the latest practicable date. However, the financial information provided to us since our appointment is not sufficient to detail the financial position of the Company to creditors.

Whilst complete creditor information hasn't been provided to us, we have received direct contact from the below creditors in relation to potential claims in the estate. Whilst this list is not exhaustive, it is our best understanding of the creditor position at present.

**UK Energy Incubator Hub Ltd
Company Creditors**

Unsecured Creditors

Name	Address	£
BUUK	Synergy House, Woolpit Business Park, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk, IP30 9UP	832.32
Contract Natural Gas Limited - in administration	Level 9, 10 Fleet Place, London, England, EC4M 7RB	724,721.35
C&C Group	Grosvenor House, 65-71 London Road, Redhill, RH1 1LQ	122.29
Cadent Gas Limited	Ashbrook Court, Prologis Park, Central Boulevard, Coventry, CV7 8PE	1,360.19
Callisto	11 Silver Fox Way, Cobalt Business Park, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, NE27 0QJ	39,312.48
Calvin Capital Limited	5th Floor, 1 Marsden Street, Manchester, M2 1HW, United Kingdom	37,113.24
Calvin Metering Limited	5th Floor, 1 Marsden Street, Manchester, M2 1HW	1,673.54
E.ON UK	Larch House, 241 High Street, Kingswinford, West Midlands, DY6 8BN	19,985.53
Electricity Settlements Company	10 South Colonnade, London, E14 4PU	3,904.08
Elaxon	350 Euston Road, London, NW1 3AW	10,385.79
Elaxon Clear	351 Euston Road, London, NW1 3AW	118,718.50
Energy Assets Networks Limited	12 Sketty Close, Caswell Road, Northampton, NN4 7PL	26.06
ES PIPELINES	Bluebird House, Mole Business Park, Leatherhead, KT22 7BA	2,647.86
ESP Connections Ltd	Bluebird House, Mole Business Park, Leatherhead, KT22 7BA	122.28
ESP Electricity Limited	Bluebird House, Mole Business Park, Leatherhead, KT22 7BA	393.24
ESP Networks Ltd	Bluebird House, Mole Business Park, Leatherhead, KT22 7BA	69.61
EWD Inkasso GmbH	7 Bell Yard, London, WC2A 2JR	28,252.41
Hazelnut London Ltd t/a Switchcraft	14 Meredyth Road, London, SW13 0DY	625,084.00
Horizon Energy Infrastructure	Brewery House, 34 - 44 Gigant Street, Salisbury, SP1 2AP	1,153.12
Last Mile Electricity	Fenick House, Lister Way, Hamilton International Technology Park, Glasgow, G72 0FT	147.07
Low Carbon Contracts Company	10 South Colonnade, London, E14 4PU	101.54
Lowri Beck Services Limited	Mayors Quay, Wigan, WN3 5BB	561.49
Macquarie Energy, Resources and Sustainability	Suites 3&4 Warners Mill, Silks Way, Braintree, CM7 3GB	6,807.89
Macquarie Leasing Limited	Suites 3 & 4 Warners Mill, Silks Way, Braintree, Essex, CM7 3GB	1,388.43
Macquarie Meters 3 Limited	Suites 3&4 Warners Mill, Silks Way, Braintree, CM7 3GB	317.15
Magnum Meter Finance Limited	Atria, Spa Road, Bolton, BL1 4AG	318.44
MapleCo1 Ltd	3rd Floor (South), 200 Aldersgate Street, London, EC1A 4HD	707.68
Morrison Data Services Ltd	Abel Smith House, Gunnels Wood Road, Stevenage, SG1 2ST	17,192.24
National Grid Plc	1-3 Strand, London, WC2N 5EH	1,633,786.14
National Grid (Metering)	National Grid House, (Floor D3), Warwick Technology Park, Gallows Hill, Warwick	29,149.79
National Grid Electricity System Operator Limited	1-3 Strand, London, WC2N 5EH	592,698.78
National Grid Smart	35 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3QJ	5,485.98
Northern Gas Networks	100 Century Way, Thorpe Business Park, Colton, Leeds, LS15 8TU	340.44
Northern Powergrid	Lloyds Court, 78 Grey Street, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE1 6AF	78,341.23
Northern Powergrid (Metering) Limited	Manor House, Station Road, New Penshaw, Houghton Le Spring, DH4 7LA	3,528.51
OVO Energy	Ty Calon, Cardiff Gate Business Park, Cardiff, CF23 8BA	2,242.75
Retail Energy Code Company Limited	130 Old Street, London, EC1V 9BD	960.94
Response Concepts	Prins Bernhardplein 200, 1097 JB, Amsterdam, The Netherlands	Unknown
Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution	Inveralmond House, 200 Dunkeld Road, Perth, PH1 3AQ	2,699.85
Scottish Power (Energy Networks)	320 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, G2 5AD	69,068.52
Scottish Power Distribution Plc	Scottish Power HQ, 8th Floor, 320 St Vincent Street, Glasgow, G2 5AD	40,801.80
Scottish Power Manweb Plc	Scottish Power HQ, 8th Floor, 320 St Vincent Street, Glasgow, G2 5AD	45,244.23
SGN	Axis House, 5 Lonehead Drive, Newbridge, Edinburgh, EH28 8TG	727.14
SGN Metering	St Lawrence House, Station Approach, Horley, Surrey, RH6 9HJ	89.87
Southern Electric Power Distribution	Inveralmond House, 200 Dunkeld Road, Perth, PH1 3AQ	4,253.91
SP Distribution PLC	321 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, G2 5AD	2,754.79
SP Manweb PLC	320 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow, G2 5AD	2,262.84
SP Smart Meter Assets Ltd	Aspect House, Technology Avenue, G72 0HT	6,270.91
UK Power Networks	Energy House, Hazelwick Avenue, Crawley, RH10 1EX	195,326.24
Wales & West Utilities Limited	Wales & West House, Spooner Close, Celtic Springs, Newport, NP10 8FZ	41,743.61
Western Power Distribution	Avonbank, Feeder Road, Bristol, BS2 0TB	157,763.97

4,558,962.06

Appendix 5 Glossary

Bank	Lloyds Bank Plc
BBSL	Bounce Back Loan Scheme
Company	UK Energy Incubator Hub Ltd - in Administration
Grid	National Grid plc
Group	The Company together with; Celtic Powerhouse Management Limited and its subsidiaries: Neo Energy Holding (Energy Asset Investments) Plc, Neo Energy Limited (t/a Neo Energy) and Neo Energy Gas and Shipping Limited (t/a Northumbria Energy)
Joint Administrators/we/our/us	Howard Smith and Rick Harrison
Interpath/Interpath Advisory	Interpath Ltd
Lloyds	Lloyds Bank plc
NEGSL	Neo Energy Gas and Shipping Limited
NEL	Neo Energy Limited
Octopus	Octopus Energy Limited
Ofgem	Gas and Electricity Markets Authority
SHMA	Shakespeare Martineau LLP

SoLR

Supplier of Last Resort

Any references in these proposals to sections, paragraphs and rules are to Sections, Paragraphs and Rules in the Insolvency Act 1986, Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 and the Insolvency Rules (England and Wales) 2016 respectively.

Appendix 6 Notice: About this statement of proposals

This statement of proposals ('proposals') has been prepared by Howard Smith and Rick Harrison, the Joint Administrators of UK Energy Incubator Hub Ltd – in Administration (the 'Company'), solely to comply with their statutory duty under Paragraph 49, Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 to lay before creditors a statement of their proposals for achieving the purposes of the administration, and for no other purpose. It is not suitable to be relied upon by any other person, or for any other purpose, or in any other context.

These proposals have not been prepared in contemplation of them being used, and are not suitable to be used, to inform any investment decision in relation to the debt of or any financial interest in the Company or any other company in the same group.

Any estimated outcomes for creditors included in these proposals are illustrative only and cannot be relied upon as guidance as to the actual outcomes for creditors.

Any person that chooses to rely on these proposals for any purpose or in any context other than under Paragraph 49, Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 does so at their own risk. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Joint Administrators do not assume any responsibility and will not accept any liability in respect of these proposals.

Howard Smith and Richard John Harrison are authorised to act as insolvency practitioners by the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales.

We are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics.

The Officeholders are Data Controllers of personal data as defined by the Data Protection Act 2018. Personal data will be kept secure and processed only for matters relating to the appointment. For further information, please see our Privacy policy at – www.interpathadvisory.com/privacy-insolvency.

The Joint Administrators act as agents for the Company and contract without personal liability. The appointments of the Joint Administrators are personal to them and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, Interpath Ltd does not assume any responsibility and will not accept any liability to any person in respect of these proposals or the conduct of the administration.

www.interpathadvisory.com

© 2022 Interpath Ltd is a limited company registered in England and Wales (trading as “Interpath Advisory”). All rights reserved.