

UNC Project Nexus Workgroup Minutes

Tuesday 10 May 2016

31 Homer Road, Solihull B91 3LT

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HCu)	Joint Office
Andy Clasper	(AC)	National Grid Distribution
Bobbie Gallacher*	(BG)	Scottish Power
Chris Warner	(CWA)	National Grid Distribution
Colette Baldwin	(CB)	E.ON UK
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
Ed Hunter	(EH)	RWE npower
Emma Lyndon	(EL)	Xoserve
Hilary Chapman	(HCh)	Scotia Gas Networks
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	DONG Energy
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Michele Downes	(MD)	Xoserve
Mike Fensome	(MF)	RWE npower
Naomi Nathanael	(NN)	Utility Warehouse
Phil Lucas	(PL)	National Grid NTS
Rachel Duke*	(RD)	EDF Energy
Steve Mulinganie	(SM)	Gazprom
Sue Cropper	(SC)	British Gas

*via teleconference

Copies of all papers are available at: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/nexus/100516>

1. Introduction and Status Review

1.1. Approval of Minutes (12 April 2016)

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

1.2. Actions

0301: Xoserve to review the Requirement Log and Requirements Gap Log and consider if any implementation priorities will be required.

Update: MD confirmed that this had been published – see item 3.0. **Closed**

1.3. Pre-Modification discussions

None.

2. Workgroups

2.1. 0531 – Provision of an Industry User Test System

(Report to Panel 19 May 2016)

www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0531

2.2. 0576 – Generation of an estimated Meter Reading at the Code Cut Off Date in the absence of an actual Meter Reading

(Report to Panel 19 May 2016)

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0576>

2.3. 0578 – Implementation of Retrospective Invoice Adjustment arrangements (Project Nexus transitional modification)

(Report to Panel 16 June 2016)

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0578>

2.4. 0580S – Implementation of Non Effective Days to enable Annual AQ Review (independent of Nexus transition)

(Report to Panel 19 May 2016)

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0580>

3. Requirements Log

MD confirmed that an updated log had been published (see Action 0301). Further discussion was deferred until the next meeting, where it is anticipated the requirements will be prioritised.

4. Issues

No new issues raised.

5. Any Other Business

5.1. Discussion relating to Draft Modification “Requiring an Opening Meter Reading at same User Confirmation”

DA explained this draft modification would require Users to provide an Opening Meter Reading in the event of a Reconfirmation – i.e. the Proposing User is the Existing User. Where such a reading has not been provided, Transporters would create an estimated Meter Reading.

DA referred to requirements under UNC TPD M5 13.2 and explained why change was proposed, and how it was different to that proposed under Modification 0576. He advised that this change had been discussed at earlier meetings and the BRD updated. This proposed modification reflects the BRD.

SM sought further clarity on the purpose of the change. DA confirmed the technical solution requires a consistent approach and needs a read. SM referred to estimated reads and what were the impacts? MD indicated it should make the process more transparent and explained how it would assist the process. The provision of reads and reconfirmations was discussed in greater detail.

SM was concerned that this appears to be a change that is being driven by a SAP system constraint and not a contractual or commercial need and this was being done without consideration of the knock on impacts on energy.

DA explained the effect/impact on AQs. An estimated read will not trigger AQ change; however an Actual read would trigger an AQ/reconciliation.

SC wanted to understand the frequency of occurrence of issue queried - it would help to understand the number of sites that are likely to be impacted so that materiality could be better understood. What are the circumstances and scenarios where it is believed this occurs? How many customers this might affect? How will it be identified/notified? DA believed it might be dealt with through separate discussions to agree how it would be managed and information provided.

SC challenged whether this was an appropriate forum or how this would be considered in the Ofgem/PwC implementation workgroups so that this issues is not managed in conflicting ways. MD advised that Xoserve were preparing a paper for submission to the appropriate delivery forum so they were aware of UNC related issues.

MD recognised the need for parties to understand how the estimate will be calculated, notified to Shippers, legacy effect(s), and if large numbers of reconfirmations/effects.

SM was concerned that this modification could impact each site which had been recently disaggregated and this could be a significant impact, he needed to understand the actual number of meter points that would be impacted by this change and the likely energy movements.

Next Steps

CW advised it was their intention to formally raise the modification for late submission and short notice consideration at the May Modification Panel, with aim of first Workgroup meeting on Monday 06 June 2016.

5.2. Modification 0467 - Project Nexus - iGT Single Service Provision; data preparation

RD (EDF) referred to this closed modification - EDF had not yet received invoices and wanted to know when they would be received? EL suggested EDF contact its Xoserve Business Partner.

5.3. Future modifications

CW advised that a Project Nexus sweep up modification was being progressed in time for submission to the June Panel.

DA referred to a transitional activity scenario (later readings, no read in period of Formula Year T-6 to 'line in sand' reading). DA briefly explained the scenarios; Xoserve was looking at these now and deliberating whether further change is required.

6. Diary Planning

In view of the potential business to discuss and the pressure on associated timescales to meet the June Panel it was agreed to change the date of the next meeting from Tuesday 14 June 2016 to Monday 06 June 2016.

Further details of planned meetings are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary

Workgroup meetings expect to take place as follows:

Time/Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:30 Monday 06 June 2016	6 Homer Road, Solihull. B91 3QQ.	Nexus Workgroup
10:30 Tuesday 12 July 2016	6 Homer Road, Solihull. B91 3QQ.	Nexus Workgroup

Action Table (as at 10 May 2016)					
Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0301	08/03/16	4.0	Xoserve to review the Requirement Log and Requirments Gap Log and consider if any implementation priorities will be required.	Xoserve (MD)	Closed