UK Link Committee - Phase 2

Introduction / Background:

At the UK Link Committee on 13th November Xoserve sought approval of the file formats associated with COR1154.15.2 [Phase 2 UK Link Programme – including the Nexus Requirements].

A control sheet was used to structure the approval process, and the outcome of the Phase 2 process¹ recorded by Joint Office and is available with the papers of the meeting.

As part of the Phase 2 Approval process it was agreed that the various file products (i.e. hierarchies, file and record formats) would be published next as the Approved versions, so any amendments agreed through the representation and approval process would be updated in this version.

Where approvals were not obtained, in the absence of revised file formats Xoserve agreed to provide a further update with respect to deferred or rejected products. This document is intended to document any matters that were outstanding at the UK Link Committee on 13th November, or answers which were provided to Users within the meeting that required further consideration.

It is intended that Users consider this document in advance of the 11th December UK Link Committee so Users can assess the response provided to the outstanding matters. It is not intended to further debate the products that were deferred or rejected beyond the original reasons for the product not being approved.

It is hoped that this document will assist Users in seeking clarification from their relevant internal reviewers and will be used to structure an efficient UK Link Committee debate.

iGT Products Deferred:

Files specific to iGT data / communication flows were deferred until following the walkthrough taking place on $25^{\rm th}$ November.

The following products were deferred at this UK Link Committee Meeting for this reason.

- C7I_APPOINTED_ELECTED_SHIPPER_NOTFN contained within a AES, DES, NMR, NRF files in Phase 2
- C70_DEAPPNTD_ELCTD_SHIP_NOTFN contained within a AES, DES, NMR, NRF files in Phase 2
- 3. Q44_CSEP_DETAILS contained within a AES, DES, NMR, NRF files in Phase 2
- 4. Q46_IGT_RESPONSE contained within a AES, DES, NMR, NRF files in Phase 2

The UK Link Committee are asked to approve the above records based upon the clarifications above.

Products Included in Phase I Not Discussed:

The products also included within Phase I but were not approved in Phase I were:

- S70_ADDRESS this record was not requested for approval as it was recognised to be included within Phase 3, therefore was not requested in Phase 1. The record was approved within Phase 3 UKLC on 24th November.
- S98_SMART_DATA this record was not requested for approval in error due to other records in the MRI / PAC file being deferred. The record was approved within Phase 3 UKLC on 24th November.

The UK Link Committee are asked to note the above records not approved in Phase 2. No further action is required as these are now approved.

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¹ As a process improvement, Joint Office offered to record the outcome and include these within the papers for the meeting.

Products Not Included in Phase 2 Control Sheet in advance of UKLC:

The following products were inserted into the Ph2 UKLC Control Sheet on the morning of the 13th November meeting. UK Link Users had no specific issues with these records, but wanted to confirm with their relevant experts prior to approving them:

- I. S47_SUPPLY_POINT_ENQUIRY_REQ
- 2. S68_ENQ_SUPPLY_METER_POINT

No issues have been subsequently highlighted with respect to these records therefore the UK Link Committee is asked to approve the above records.

M03_BILLREADS - contained in the MBR file

Two business rules clarifications were raised during the representation period were highlighted by Members at the time of approval of this record:

 Meter Read Reason Code – these values have been reduced significantly in the version issued for approval. Users asked Xoserve to check that this much reduced list reflected the potential values that Users may receive after COR 1154 implementation.

Xoserve response: Reason Codes have now been updated and the new codes shown below. The codes will be reflective in the approved file format.

CYCL	Class 4 Prime and Sub Reads
MRUN	Must Reads
OPNN	Install Opening Read
OPNX	Exchange Opening Read
OPNT	Opening Transfer Read
FINX	Exchange Final Read
FINT	Final Transfer Read
FINC	Final Removal Read
FICC	Final Class Change Read (Same Shipper)

 Tolerance Field – Users highlighted that there was a field in the U series read files (Unbundled read files, e.g. U01, U02 records) with different allowable values. Users asked for clarity regarding the relationship of the two fields.

Xoserve response: As with the M00 record this field provides the result of a tolerance check when applied to a Xoserve estimated read, a must read or a Prime and Sub read. The tolerance field within the U01,U02 record provides the result of the tolerance check against a Shipper provided read and the allowable value is blank.

Allowable values differ as the U01,U02 record requires the User to confirm the read is correct by proving a Y. The User is accepting the tolerance failure

The M00,M03 record will provide confirmation of tolerance failure advising:

- $\Upsilon-$ Tolernace Flag given within read
- O Outside Inner Tolernace
- M Over Market Breaker Tolerance

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SII_VOLUNTARY_SP_WITHDRAWAL- contained within a WOR files

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A user requested clarification upon a response provided in a representation. Ph2 00128. This representation states: 'Why is [CONFIRMATION_EFFECTIVE_DATE on the SII] as it is not on the originating file]'. The response provided indicated that: This is an existing field on the SII.

It is not intended to change the existing records as the data currently appears in the formats. It is assumed that when this record was developed it was assumed that providing the Confirmation Effective Date to Users would be helpful in order for them to reconcile their records.

The UK Link Committee are asked to approve the above record based upon the clarification above.

K80_CAP_INV_DETAIL_CLASS_I_AND_2 - contained within a ZCS files

A user requested clarification upon a response provided in a representation. Ph2 00145. This representation states: 'if SUPPLY_POINT_CONFIRMATION_REFERENCE is populated [in the K80 record], but SUPPLY_METER_POINT not (ie USI), should we expect the SUPPLY_METER_POINT_AQ/SOQ populated in these cases?'. The response provided indicated that: 'SMP_AQ and SOQ will be populated whenever SMP is populated.'

Following further detailed discussions with the User it has been highlighted that these fields can now be set to Mandatory.

The UK Link Committee are asked to approve the above record based upon the clarification above.

K81 CAP_INV_AGGREGATE_DETAIL_CLASS_3_AND_4- contained within a ZCS files

A user requested clarification upon a response provided in a representation. Ph2 00146. This representation states: 'There are no monthly / non monthly counts to within the data line, to multiply the rate through. This field is populated when the charge type = CFI (Fixed Charge)'. The response provided indicated that: 'If this is referring to the billable days used for the CFI charge calculation then this can be derived from the Billable Start and end date as applicable to any charge type. The CFI rate is based on the meter read frequency for an SMP.

The monthly/non monthly count is not provided in the record currently. The low level information under this aggregate can be requested via the portal and the information will be shared through the CZI file (K47).

The UK Link Committee are asked to approve the above record based upon the clarification above.

S59_ACCEPT_SMP_ENQUIRY

A user requested clarification of how the fixed AQ element will be notified to outstanding enquiries and nominations.

Xoserve response: The formula AQ will be effective from the 01/04 each year and will be extracted on the 01/12 the previous year i.e. effective date 01/04/16 extracted 01/12/15. Current Users will be notified of the future Formula Year AQ via the NRL file at M-5 (March). Prospective Users will be notified via the NRL once nomination/confirmation becomes effective. An enquiry response will not include a Future Formula Year AQ between the extract and the effective date.

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