

## **File format - STN Network Operator Change Notification - supporting explanation**

File format (STN) has been created to satisfy the requirements set out in the Business Requirements Definition for Project Nexus iGT Agency Services, baselined version 3.0, which contains the following requirements:

### **8.3.2 An iGT Licence can transfer between iGTs (mergers, de-mergers, acquisitions etc)**

### **8.3.3 CSEPs can transfer between iGT Licence holders**

Within the Distribution Workgroup there has been an issue - 0052 (raised 18 December 2012):

#### **3. Issues**

##### **3.1. New Issues**

##### **3.1.1. Transfer of Assets - ISS 0052**

It was agreed to review the Transfer of Assets between Transporters in the New Year and raise a medium priority issue.

This issue was raised following the adoption of a CSEP by a Distribution Network. As the first (and so far only) occurrence, there were some process difficulties associated with the adoption.

This issue (0052) was not resolved in time for inclusion within the industry Nexus requirements and so the file format (STN) does support (and it not intended to support) any requirements from issue 0052. As recognised within the action that closed the issue (presented at the 27 November 2014 meeting) a post Project Nexus solution is still being addressed – extract from minutes:

#### **1.2. Actions**

**0602:** Xoserve to provide a selection of options for the future management of MPRN and Network related information where transfer of assets are concerned for all parties to consider in due course.

**Update:** HCh confirmed that Xoserve would offer a coordination role, and centrally manage all activities to assist with the transfer of assets between now and Project Nexus implementation. She confirmed that the post Project Nexus solution is still being addressed and will be defined in due course.

CB was keen to engage with Transporters and Xoserve to feed into the process and to ensure there were assurances that the process would not be detrimental for shippers. The Workgroup briefly considered the process, how best to engage parties involved and the best forum for parties to discuss further. The interim process proposed was considered a non-code issue and although organisations are well represented at the Distribution Workgroup, that this wouldn't be the appropriate forum for discussing the process. The Workgroup considered the likelihood of the process being enacted prior to Project Nexus implementation.

CW assured parties that DNs are aware of the lessons learned and that Shippers need to be engaged with the process. It was agreed that if the Transporters identify the need to transfer assets they would engage with all affected parties and Xoserve to manage the process on a case-by-case basis.

It was envisaged a modification might be required for the post Nexus regime. **Complete.**

The file format (STN) to meet the iGT BRD is not related to issue 0052.