

# Review of Gemini Contingency Arrangements & Associated Governance

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# Internal Review

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- ◆ Following on from the Gemini Incident in October 2007, NG took actions to set up:
  - ◆ NG internal review
  - ◆ Industry review
- ◆ The NG internal review is in progress and a number of actions have been taken
  - ◆ Updated details (contact numbers etc) on all contingency processes
  - ◆ Internal procedures reviewed and updated
  - ◆ ANS processes & responsibilities re-confirmed
  - ◆ Dedicated e-mail address established
  - ◆ Website communications reviewed and enhanced

# Industry Review Recommendation

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- ◆ We believe the best way of taking forward this issue with the wider community is through the formation of a UNC Review Group to:
  - ◆ Review the prevailing Code Contingency procedures in place for Gemini, given the experience of October 2007, and consider the development of 'Guidelines' for Gemini specific Code Contingency arrangements
  - ◆ Consider the benefits of including Code Contingency arrangements under the governance of the UNC Committee as a UNC related document.
- ◆ To result in a greater clarity of operational roles and responsibilities being understood and resourced by all relevant parties.

# Scope (1)

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- ◆ Defining the commercial processes seen as key by the industry
- ◆ Review existing Gemini Code Contingency procedures and develop a revised suite of contingency procedures where required
- ◆ Clarify each parties responsibilities in operating to these Gemini Contingency procedures
- ◆ Defining whether separate procedures are required for different severities and periods of contingency operation
- ◆ Clarifying responsibilities and communication procedures invoking and implementing specific contingency procedures
- ◆ Defining a process for managing contingencies which are not defined within a specific procedure, or at a variance to the defined procedure

## Scope (2)

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- ◆ Defining processes to appropriately manage relevant 'After the Day' issues
- ◆ Defining arrangement for testing Gemini Code Contingency arrangements and procedures
- ◆ Clarifying overall Code Contingency Governance arrangements and flexibility provided to NG in the interpretation of procedures
- ◆ Defining the required changes to UNC UK Link manual and other industry documentation to facilitate commercial operations during a Code Contingency period.

## Scope - Gemini

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- ◆ The proposed development of Contingency ‘Guidelines’ seeks only to address those processes supported by Gemini, as:
  - ◆ We believe these hold the greatest commercial risk to the industry
  - ◆ Establishment and definition of Gemini processes mitigate the risks associated to within day operations
  - ◆ Could provide information that may mitigate risks associated with other UK Link Code Contingencies.
- ◆ Where relevant parties believe there is merit in initiating a review of other areas of Code Contingency, these may be undertaken in due course, but they are not included in the scope of this Review Group Proposal.

# Next Steps

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- ◆ Proposal for a UNC Review Group being drafted for 19<sup>th</sup> June
- ◆ To support the proposed Review group process:
  - ◆ Draft guidelines being developed as 'straw man'
  - ◆ High level processes being mapped out
  - ◆ Procedures being drafted