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Gemini - Shipper Fortnightly Progress Summary for Periods Ending: 22 April 2005 & 6 May 2005

Gemini	Previous Status	Green	Current Status	Green
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Summary

User Confidence Testing (UCT) has completed and the project is currently running well through the Early View API Trials. Training has started for shippers.

Progress This Period

1. UCT has completed. A UCT completion report is in progress for circulation to shippers. A two week Regression Testing period is planned before Shipper Trials in order to test some of the defects found during UCT.
2. The Early View API Trial is in the main progressing successfully, excepting an issue resolved with the Bulk Upload/Download facility. A temporary fix has been followed up with a permanent fix, allowing the continued use of this functionality. Feedback on the support being provided for the trial has been positive with shippers making good use of a web forum provided for the period.
3. Shipper training started w/c 18th April with 'train the trainer' courses commencing the following week. Feedback is being fed into the project and captured on the Gemini website for shippers. Initial feedback on the system is encouraging, excepting issues resulting from the internet environment used for training only.
4. The Shipper User/Training Manual and presentations have been published on the Gemini website
5. The Shipper Working Group of 5th May discussed Shipper Acceptance Criteria Validation, Gemini Outage Requirements, Multiple BA Functionality and Gemini Batch Processes. It is recognised that Gemini implementation will require challenging outage periods.

Plans for Next Period

1. Shipper Forum to be held on the 11th May to include Shipper Acceptance Criteria Validation, Gemini Outage Requirements, Multiple BA Functionality and Gemini Batch Processes.
2. UK Link Committee to be held 19th May.

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Key Shipper Facing Milestone Summary Status

Milestone	Target Date	Status
Pilot External Gemini Training Course	23/03/2005	Completed
Shipper Working Group	23/03/2005	Completed
Shipper Forum	05/04/2005	Completed
Phase 1 API Testing Start	11/04/2005	Commenced. To include a number of the originally intended Phase 2 APIs
User Confidence Testing (UCT) Completion	18/04/2005	Completed 25/04/05
Deliver External End User Gemini training	18/04/2005	Commenced
Deliver External Train the Trainer Gemini training	25/04/2005	Commenced
Phase 2 API Testing start	09/05/2005	On Target
External Shippers Delivering Own Training	16/05/2005	On Target
Shipper Trial Start	13/06/2005	On Target
UK Link Committee Approval of File formats	16/06/2005	On Target
Implementation Date	18/10/2005	On Target

Risks/Issues

- None

Changes to RAG Status

- No change