

# **Meeting Details**

Meeting Description:	Shipperless and Unregistered Sites Working Group
Meeting Date:	6 <sup>th</sup> April 2011
Attendees:	Alison Jennings (AJ) Xoserve, Mark Woodward (MW) Xoserve, Surrinder Kundi (SK) Xoserve, Cesar Coelho (CC) Ofgem, Andrew Wallace (AW) Ofgem, Carol Lincoln (CL) EoN, Lynne Fallon (LF) BG, Sue Cropper (SC) BG, Alex Ross (AR) Northern Gas, Joanna Ferguson (JF) Northern Gas, Simon Trivella (ST) Wales & West, Chris Warner (CW) NGrid, Danielle King (DK) EoN, Steve Mulinganie (SM) Gazprom, Paul Hamilton (PH) SSE, James Chapple (JC) SSE, Naomi Anderson (NA) EDF  Via Teleconference:  Steven Barrass (SB) NPower, Lisa Warnock (LW) SGN
Apologies:	Dave Watson (DW) BG, Joel Martin (JM) SGN

# Completed actions from meetings

Ref.	Description	Action	Status
63	xoserve to investigate the feasibility of producing an anonymous report showing numbers of unregistered sites by shipper activity.  Update 07/01/10: This is feasible however, even with the level of anonymity that can be provided; it would be apparent in some circumstances, which set of data belonged to certain shippers. A discussion will be held outside of the meeting with affected shippers.  Update 04/03/10: Discussion is ongoing with the shipper which is significantly affected by the issue described above.  Update 05/05/10: Report available for discussion with individual shipper upon request.	xoserve	Complete
64	xoserve to investigate the feasibility of producing a report to monitor the number of MNo creation rejections which are resubmitted by UIPs. Update 07/01/10: Still reviewing the data. Update 04/03/10: Data is available and a report is now being formulated. Update 05/05/10: This issue to be picked up as part of 'Root Cause' in July's meeting	xoserve	Complete
66	All shippers to provide examples of MPRNs which have been provided to them by UIPs which have not been provided to xoserve.  Update 07/01/10: No examples have yet been provided.  Update 04/03/10: MS said that Eon has several examples and will provide them without delay.  Update 05/05/10: Examples provided by MS – Issue now to be picked up as part of root cause in July's meeting	All Shippers	Complete

		BD – SGN	Complete
72	by MAMs can be raised as an agenda item in a meeting relevant to the process.  Update 07/01/10: A discussion took place to decide whether MAMCOP was an appropriate forum. It was agreed that MAMCOP should be requested to amend agreements to allow MAMs to release the required information to xoserve.  All shippers to confirm to xoserve that they have instructed their MAMs to release relevant information to xoserve.  Update 04/03/10: Only a few shippers have informed xoserve that they have instructed their MAMs to release the required information on request.  MW stated that when xoserve has received notification from shippers that they have informed their respective MAMs , xoserve is not being told which MAMs have been instructed.  AJ stated that she had misinterpreted the action and will now take the appropriate action.  DW suggested that a change via SPAA and said that he would investigate and report back to the group.  Update 05/05/10: It was discussed that this is a governance issue between suppliers and MAMs; to be put on agenda for SPAA expert group meeting.  Update 07/07/10: This has not been captured on the agenda for the SPAA meeting as yet  ACTN: DK to raise the issue with DW.  Update 08/09/10: Not been raised with SPAA as yet; to be added to the agenda for future SPAA meeting  Update 03/11/10: DW has requested that this is raised with SPAA however this is still yet to happen, DW to chase this up  Update 02/02/11: DW is in the process of raising the change through the SPAA  Update 06/04/11: Raised as an agenda item with SPAA Reference number 11/194	DW	Complete
76	All shippers to ascertain their legal obligations pertaining to sites which they have "isolated and withdrawn" on UK-link but for which the meter was never physically isolated, and their contract to supply has subsequently expired. Update 04/03/10: MW referred to the shipper responses (Page15 of Appendix 1)  Update 05/05/10: group discussed root cause and UNC obligations surrounding the confirmation/reconfirmation of shipperless sites. PL directed group to UNC Section G3.7.5 although it is felt that this is open to interpretation  Update 07/07/10: Still no clear, unanimous understanding of UNC obligations surrounding this issue. MW offered support in this area by providing reports detailing information from DNs.  ACTN: Shippers to review UNC and raise any concerns or objections if they feel that they should not be obligated to take the site back on.  ACTN: Networks to raise a MOD if they feel this is the way forward ACTN: Ofgem offered to check the legislation issues surrounding a legitimate contract  Update 08/09/10: CC advised that a 'deemed contract' would apply in this situation although MW would like further clarification on rules and regulations surrounding this issue. PL feels no further clarification should be required as it is clearly stated in UNC Section G3.7.5  Update 03/11/10: AW covered this during the presentation	All Shippers/ Networks	Complete
79	Shippers to review their response to Shipper Specific Reports and report back to the group. Update 04/03/10: Only 3 shippers responded. Update 05/05/10: No further responses received to date, statistics to continue to be provided at workshop	All Shippers	Complete

81	All to review straw man and collated questions and comments, and provide responses to xoserve by 12 <sup>th</sup> February. These will be collated and issued to the group for further review ahead of the next meeting.  Update 04/03/10: It was agreed in the meeting that the strawman would be discussed at the next meeting. All parties to come to the next meeting prepared for full discussion.  Update 05/05/10: DW to update Strawman  PL to send through the Networks responses  MW to provide figures for I&C/Domestic split in the shipperless pot  Update 07/07/10: DW to update Strawman  Update 08/09/10: DW to update Strawman  Update 03/11/10: Strawman updated and presented during meeting	All	Complete
84	All review the root cause list and provide further issues which may be added to it.  Update 05/05/10: No further updates added	All	Complete
85	xoserve to group root causes to facilitate structured discussions at subsequent meetings. Groupings and the meeting dates on which those groupings will be discussed to be issued by xoserve.  Update 05/05/10: Details provided and on joint office website	xoserve	Complete
86	MW discussed the details of Project Q with the group referring them to pages 4 and 5 of the pack  05/05/10: MW to send web-link to shippers for presentation on Project Q Post Meeting: Web link provided in minutes	xoserve	Complete
86a	Shippers to provide feedback on the principle of xoserve auto confirming shipperless sites where the networks obtained details that the same meter is still on site to that removed from UK Link by shipper Update 07/07/10: To be combined with Ref 76	All Shippers	Complete
88	MW to provide the presentation material in advance of the next workshop	xoserve	Complete
89	All to review root cause topic discussion papers to determine whether any of the alternative options should be recommended for implementation	All	Complete
90	xoserve to liaise with shippers for approval to publish those that are responding to the issued unregistered reports Update 08/09/10: AJ advised that xoserve will publish names of those shippers who have responded to the unregistered reports with their agreement, however this does not appear to have encouraged more shippers to respond and that we continue to receive the same low volume of reports back Update 3/11/10: xoserve to continue to report the names of those shippers who do respond	xoserve/All	Complete
91	Ofgem to look at issues surrounding the possibility of introducing a 'Supplier of First Resort' for unregistered MPRNs Update 08/09/10: CC to raise internally at Ofgem and report back to group Update 3/11/10: AW covered this during presentation	Ofgem	Complete
92	Ofgem presentation Issue was raised surrounding sites where a supply contract exists and has been signed but sites is not registered  ACTN: AW to investigate further to determine obligations surrounding this issue Post Meeting: Issued out for review 23 <sup>rd</sup> November  ACTN: xoserve to send out presentation material for comment to those that have attended workgroup meetings. Post Meeting: Issued out for review 17 <sup>th</sup> November  ACTN: AII - Comments and feedback surrounding the presentation should be directed back to xoserve.	Ofgem/All	Complete

	Strawman presentation		
	<b>ACTN:</b> xoserve to arrange to be involved in next months DN meeting to talk through the Strawman process and proposed MOD	MW	Complete
	<b>ACTN:</b> DW to correct box number 1 on slide '2' to reflect "gas not being taken through a meter"	DW	Complete
	<b>ACTN:</b> MW to clarify the details of the Pipeline Act and report back to group <b>Post Meeting:</b> Details sent out 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	MW	Complete
93	ACTN: DW to investigate internal processes surrounding the issue of how many supplier site visits and establishing vulnerable customers from their disconnections process in order to assist with end to end disconnection of customer who refuse to obtain a supplier contract  Update: 6 <sup>th</sup> April - It depends on the debt path the customer is on, however there are a minimum of two visits to the site where vulnerability is assessed, including the disconnection visit itself	DW	Complete
	<b>ACTN:</b> DW to communicate the draft process to the wider industry. Comments are invited directly to DW or can be fielded through xoserve ahead of any MOD being raised. Also look at possibility of arranging a separate working group to deal with this process.	DW	Complete
	Update: 6 <sup>th</sup> April – To be completed after the group has concluded and all comments have been received – Issue to be raised under the UNC followed by a MOD proposal – This was discussed during the meeting on finding the appropriate forum that this should be raised with		
	Root Cause		
	<b>ACTN:</b> With reference to Root Cause 10 on slide no. 8, MW agreed to provide a breakdown of the volumes that are situated in the 4 categories within the legitimately unregistered table; he did, however, advise that the majority will come under "Live service – no meter".	MW	Complete
94	<b>ACTN:</b> xoserve to send out remaining root causes 10 - 16 that the group have yet to discuss, to include conclusions and proposals.	MW	Complete
	ACTN: The group – are encouraged to provide comments and feedback to xoserve so that they may be fed into and captured in the final report.  Update: 6 <sup>th</sup> April – Final report now produced everyone to be encouraged to provide any further comments and updates	All	Complete
95	When discussing the issue of Vulnerable Customers, DW & ST would like the group to discuss further the issue of possible sanctions on vulnerable customers where theft has occurred.  Update: 6 <sup>th</sup> April – To be considered in any MOD proposal under ref action 93, also views expressed by Ofgem under action ref 96	All	Complete
97	ACTN: With reference to point 6.4 and 6.5 of National Grids response paper, any possible MODs will require further discussion by the group Update: 6 <sup>th</sup> April – MOD 369 raised and now being discussed, further working groups and MOD proposals discussed	All	Complete
	MW discussed the Data Collection Exercise carried out by Xoserve		
98	<b>ACTN:</b> Xoserve to provide costings associated to Data Collection Exercise to group at next meeting <b>Update:</b> 6 <sup>th</sup> April details provided at meeting	MW	Complete

# Actions from meeting held on 03/11 /10

Ref.	Description	Action	Status
93	Strawman presentation		
	ACTN: DW to send e-mail to AW providing examples of sites with meters fitted without contracts in place Update: 6 <sup>th</sup> April no examples received as yet, to be provided	DW	Ongoing
	ACTN: DW to speak to Health & Safety Executive to gain understanding on their view on safety issues surrounding this process Update: 6 <sup>th</sup> April raised with Health & Safety Executive response expected back 15 <sup>th</sup> April	DW	Ongoing
	ACTN: DW to speak to BG lawyers regarding the details of the Pipeline Act to understand the impacts of this on the proposed MOD  Update: 6 <sup>th</sup> April further clarification required on why this should have any relevance to proposed MOD – Action MW to clarify	DW	Ongoing
	KS advised that once work is completed on site the UIPs advise the DNs; this should trigger the start of the process however xoserve are currently not aware of when the service is actually laid as the MPRN is created at quote acceptance stage  ACTN: DW to speak to AJ regarding the trigger for the start of the process and the clock to start ticking	DW	Ongoing

# Actions from meeting held on 02/02/2011

Ref.	Description	Action	Status
96	Ofgem to provide the group with their view on the protection of vulnerable customers Update: 6 <sup>th</sup> April – Ofgem provided views which consisted of:  1) Identifying appropriate methods of payment 2) Disconnection during winter month period 3) Backbilling – Customer with meter wanting to sign up contract	All	
	ACTN: Comments from Group on above Ofgem views	All	
	AW gave thanks for the feedback received from BG and NGrid in response to Ofgems proposal paper. PL went on to go through in more detail NGrid's response paper.		
97	ACTN: MW would like to see C&D obligations included within point 3/4 of NGrids response paper Update: 6 <sup>th</sup> April MW to raise with CW	PL	
	<b>ACTN:</b> In relation to point 6.3.5, Ofgem are to give consideration to Suppliers retaining any monies gained from End Users and the legal basis to these charges. ST stated that it would not be appropriate for Networks to charge End Users.	Ofgem	

# Actions from meeting held on 06/04/2011

Ref.	Description	Action	Status
99	National Grid/BGT Trial		
	<b>ACTN:</b> CW to provide further clarity on the material to be left by BGT on behalf of National Grid to ensure safeguards in place so that that end user has choices to obtain a supplier	CW	
	ACTN: Group to direct any comments relevant to the presentation to CW or AW	ALL	
	<b>ACTN:</b> Group to provide comment on any additional measures to demonstrate the success criteria to be used for the trial		

	Root Causes		
	<b>ACTN:</b> Request by Networks to receive sample of shipper raised MNC's to site visit and establish reasons for initial request from shipper	MW	
	<b>ACTN:</b> AW suggested looking at a best practice notice board to provide some of the suggestions and recommendations		
100	<ol> <li>ACTN: Sub Group to be formed looking at:         <ol> <li>Industry agreement surrounding the business rules as to what circumstances constitutes the creation and labelling of a new service and the use of M Number from an existing service.</li> <li>The procedure around cancelled services – To include services which are deferred.</li> <li>Labelling of services (Allocation) – Should also work in conjunction with any business rules for IGT's</li> <li>The procedure and governance for dealing with services which are removed.</li> <li>Optimal timescales for the request and creation of an M Number on Sites and Meters</li> </ol> </li> <li>ACTN: All to review draft root cause document and provide feedback</li> </ol>	ALL	

#### **Minutes**

#### 1. Introductions

Introductions were carried out.

### 2. Actions from Previous Meetings

MW ran through all previous actions. See Updates Above.

### 3. National Grid/BGT unregistered sites 12 months trial

CW presented the details regarding the contract with BGT to visit unregistered sites for a 12 month trial.

Comment from Group with concern raised over material to be left with end user over customer choice of supplier

## 4. Root Cause report

MW talked though the draft report on root causes and the Groups conclusions and recommendations.

### 5. Combining the GSR/GSS process

MW talked through the combining of the GSS process into the GSR reports issued bi monthly. The GSS's will be identifiable on the amended report.

## 6. AOB

None

Next Meeting: 10.00-14.00, 8th June 2011, Conference Room 6, 31 Homer Road Solihull