

UK LINK Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday 09 May 2013
via teleconference

Attendees

Mike Berrisford (Chair)	(MiB)	Joint Office of Gas Transporters
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HC)	Joint Office of Gas Transporters
Ashley Collins	(AC)	EDF Energy
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
Graham Wood	(GW)	British Gas
Joanna Harze	(JH)	Xoserve
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	DONG Energy
Martin Brandt	(MB)	SSE
Stephanie Shepherd	(SS)	RWE npower
Trevor Clark	(TC)	E.ON UK

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1. Review of Minutes, Action and Modifications

1.1. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting was approved.

1.2. Actions

UKL0203: Users to review the European Developments presentation on the Transmission Workgroup 07 February 2013 meeting documentation and consider impacts.

Update: DA confirmed no feedback had been communicated, therefore the committee agreed to close the action.

Closed

UKL 0302: Xoserve (DA) to provide clarity on whether or not, non SMETS actually constitute implementation of a Smart meter (including consideration of possible solution this) – the issue being what is the 1st SMETS installation date, and therefore the derivation of 'IHD Install Status Date'.

Update: DA confirmed an update had been provided via the UK Link manual box and provided a Back Population of SMETS Data Update paper.

Complete

UKL 0303: Xoserve to investigate the possible improvement of the Extranet Communications search functionality.

Update: DA confirmed that the options are being examined.

Closed

UKL 0401: DA to review EDF's business scenarios for forced confirmations with a view to circulating to the Committee.

Update: DA asked for this item to be carried forward.

Carried Forward

1.3. Modifications

MiB confirmed that two new modifications had been raised since last month and were due to be considered at the May UNC Panel:

[0453 - Project Nexus – Demand Estimation](#)
Significant system impacts were anticipated.

[0454 - Introduction of a Long Term Non Firm Capacity Product](#)
No system impacts were anticipated.

2. Xoserve Reporting

2.1. UK Link Modification Implementation Plan

2.1.1 Current UK Link Changes awaiting scheduling – Not Implemented

SUN File Format Change

DA highlighted the long term aspiration to withdraw the SUN file.

CRN2449 Reduce Instances of Blank MAM id

DA confirmed scenarios are being considered by the SPAA expert group and that these will be shared with the UK Link committee to consider with a view to scheduling implementation.

CRN2528 Smart Metering UNC Mod 0430 Foundation Stage

DA summarised the representations provided, Xoserve's comments and the intention to sign off the file formats. DA confirmed amendments to file formats have been proposed through the Xoserve forum. The committee considered the codes and fields used. The committee approved the format of the GEA and GEO files.

MB enquired about notification of previous SMSOs. DA explained following implementation the incoming Shipper will not be notified of the previous SMSO. It was suggested that a SPAA schedule change might be required to ensure an obligation exists for the provision of SMSO files. DA confirmed he would need to check Modification 0430 surrounding the obligation to update SMSO information. DA confirmed he would provide clarification for the governance/obligation for supplying SMSO data and whether a SPA change would be required.

AC wished to understand the different scenarios particularly at the change of a meter.

Action UKL0501: CRN2528 - Xoserve to review and clarify the obligations/governance to provide SMSO information and whether a SPA change will be required.

Action ULK0502: CRN2528 - DA to circulate scenarios surrounding the retention/deletion of SMSO information.

2.1.2 Current UK Link Changes Approved – Scheduled for Implementation

CRN1000.9 IX Upgrade (IX Kit Replacement)

DA provided an update (as part of the '[COR1000 Telecoms Update](#)' under item 3.0 Strategic Update below.

CRN2807 Data Enquiry Address Structure

DA confirmed implementation on 26 April 2013.

CRN2609 Removal of Shipper Information Service (SIS Decomm)

DA confirmed SIS was decommissioned on 30 April 2013.

CRN2717.1 Transporter Invoicing of Disablement of Supply Jobs – Invoice via email
DA reported implementation on 01 May 2013.

CRN0984 Gemini Re-platforming

DA provided an update with the provision of a presentation and stressed the importance of readiness testing. Organisations that have not completed implementation and testing will lose access to the Gemini System after cut over on Sunday 09 June 2013.

CRN2257 Increased Choice when Applying for NTS Exit Capacity

DA reported the change remains on track for June 2013.

CRN2563 Implementation of LDZ System Entry Commodity Charge

DA reported the change remains on track for August 2013.

CRN2151 CSEPs Migration

DA reported that this Class 1 UK Link Modification remains on track as shown within the implementation plan.

CRN2717.2 Transporter Invoicing of Disablement of Supply Jobs – Invoice via IX

DA reported a notional implementation date of 01 October 2013.

CRN2479 EU 3 Week Switching

DA reported the change remains on track with the correct implementation date 01 November 2013.

CRN2446 Confirm a Supply Point into Shipper Portfolio

DA reported the change remains on track with an implementation date 02 November 2013.

2.1.3 UK Link Changes – Implemented since last UK Link Committee Meeting

CRNs 962.13 – 962.20 Q&WM

DA reported successful implementations. He provided a representation matrix in relation to the ECO process. GW raised some concerns about the principals surrounding consensus agreements and the way forward where consensus cannot be reached. DA acknowledged the shortcomings surrounding the ECO process and reassured the committee that where representations suggest further changes are required an opportunity to reconsider the changes will be made.

CRN1001.1 Introduction of Enhanced File Transfer (EFT)

DA reported successful implementation.

2.2. Performance Reporting – Monthly Report

All Reports were accepted.

2.3. File Format and Urgent Communications (Xoserve Report D)

The report was accepted.

2.4. Planned Outages

The report was accepted.

3. Xoserve Strategic Initiatives

3.1. Telecoms Project

DA provided a [COR1000 Telecoms Update](#), which summarised the current position with the IX upgrade and EFT IX File Transfers.

DA provided some background on the planned XP1 replacement after the implementation of GRP and asked users to confirm their current utilisation of XP1. He wished to establish if parties are using the XP1 as an alternative to accessing the system out of hours. TC suggested that the XP1 may not be used as an alternative but wouldn't want to lose it as a contingency, he wished to seek reassurance in the instances of failure a contingency would be in place.

AC concurred that a replacement contingency would need to be in place before XP1 is withdrawn. There was a consensus that a fax solution would not be the preferred contingency.

3.2. SMART Metering Update

DA provided a presentation to provide the committee with a [Project Smart Metering Portfolio Foundation Update](#).

The committee sought clarification on certain validation criteria. DA confirmed retrospective updates had not been removed. DA agreed to clarify the rejection codes within the Change Pack. He also confirmed a change in the proposed implementation during August 2013.

4. AOB

4.1. Consideration of the K13 record (supplier abbreviate name rather than short code)

DA clarified that a question had been raised about the values used within the K13 record whereby an abbreviate supplier name is used rather than a short code. He explained that there was a proposal with project Nexus to cut over to using standard short codes. DA confirmed that a communication would be provided within the Change Pack to move to a three digit short code.

AC was keen to change the K13 record sooner than Nexus 2015. However DA was concerned about the impact to Shipper systems, the need to use three digit short codes in other areas and the costs of making the change if not incorporated into Nexus.

Action UKL0503: Xoserve to consider the tactical options around the K13 record.

4.2. Daligas (DAL)

The committee considered the issuing of files which were not MDD compliant, Xoserve agreed to review the retrospective reconciliation exercise.

Action UKL0504: Xoserve to review the MDD retrospective reconciliation exercise.

5. Diary Planning

Details of all meetings can be found at www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary

10:00, 13 June 2013, Teleconference

10:00, 11 July 2013, Teleconference

10:00, 08 August 2013, Teleconference

10:00, 12 September 2013, Teleconference

10:00, 10 October 2013, Teleconference

ACTION TABLE

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status
UKL 0203	13/02/13	4.0	To review the European Developments presentation on the Transmission Workgroup 07 February 2013 meeting documentation and consider impacts.	All	Closed
UKL 0302	14/03/13	3.0	To provide clarity on whether or not, non SMETS actually constitute implementation of a Smart meter (including consideration of possible solution) – the issue being what is the 1 st SMETS installation date, and therefore the derivation of 'IHD Install Status Date'.	Xoserve (DA)	Complete
UKL 0303	14/03/13	4.0	To investigate the possible improvement of the Extranet Communications search functionality.	Xoserve (DA)	Closed
UKL 0401	11/04/13	1.4	DA to review EDF's business scenarios for forced confirmations with a view to circulating to the committee.	Xoserve (DA)	Carried Forward
UKL 0501	09/05/13	2.1.1	CRN2528 - Xoserve to review and clarify the obligations/governance to provide SMSO information and whether a SPA change will be required.	Xoserve (DA)	Pending
UKL 0502	09/05/13	2.1.1	CRN2528 - DA to circulate scenarios surrounding the retention/deletion of SMSO information.	Xoserve (DA)	Pending
UKL 0503	09/05/13	4.1	Xoserve to consider the tactical options around the K13 record	Xoserve (DA)	Pending
UKL 0504	09/05/13	4.2	Xoserve to review the MDD retrospective reconciliation exercise	Xoserve (DA)	Pending