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**Project Nexus Workgroup Minutes**  
**Tuesday 19 April 2011**  
**31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT**

**Attendees**

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office of Gas Transporters
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HC)	Joint Office of Gas Transporters
Brian Durber	(BD)	E.ON UK
Chris Warner	(CW)	National Grid NTS
Fiona Cottam	(FC)	Xoserve
Gareth Evans	(GE)	Waters Wye
Graham Wood	(GW)	British Gas
Joel Martin	(JM)	SGN & Transporters
Jonathan Wisdom	(JW)	RWE npower
Karen Kennedy	(KK)	Scottish Power
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	Shell
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Michele Downes	(MD)	Xoserve
Phil Blakeman	(PB)	British Gas
Sean McGoldrick	(SM)	National Grid NTS
Simon Trivella	(ST)	Wales & West Utilities
Steve Nunnington	(SN)	Xoserve
Tabish Khan	(TK)	Ofgem
Tom Young	(TY)	E.ON UK

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**1. Introduction**

**1.1. Review of minutes from previous meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

**1.2. Review of actions**

**Action NEX0041:** Waters Wye (GE) to provide a high level overview on UNC modification 0359 "Use of Market Sector Flag to determine Customer Status" for consideration at the Settlement 3 meeting.

**Update:** See item 2.0. **Complete**

**2. Update on UNC AMR related modifications**

BF provided an update on the UNC AMR related modifications.

- 0357 "Enhanced Supply Point Administration Process" – to be considered at the next AMR Meeting.
- 0359 "Use of Market Sector Flag to determine Customer Status" –

GE provided an update referring to the Business Process Impacts first discussed on 14/15 July 2009 Meeting ([www.gasgovernance.co.uk/nexus/140709](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/nexus/140709)). He suggested that this spread-sheet is used for further analysis and asked for Xoserve's support on this.

The original spread-sheet identifies what activities may be affected if the industry were to use Customer Type instead of AQ.

CW believed that some areas could be changed by customer type e.g. meter read frequencies, but there were other fundamental areas to be considered. He asked if more customer types would need to be considered rather than just industrial and domestic.

It was suggested that customer types could be classified by meter read frequency, meter type, domestic or industrial.

GE confirmed he would provide a view by modifying the spread sheet mentioned above.

**New Action NEX0042:** Waters Wye to provide a view on differentiation and customer types (GE).

It was considered whether this action and output should be incorporated into settlement or AMR. It was agreed to include the review within the Nexus Workgroup.

FC enquired about modification 0377 - Use of Daily Meter Reads. BF confirmed that the UNC Panel would consider it on 21 April 2011.

### 3. Update on the Revised Workgroup Approach and Plan

#### 3.1. Consideration of potential workgroup overlaps/combinations

FC provided a presentation on the SMIP Prospectus Response, providing the relevant points and assessment of Topic Areas.

SN highlighted that all registrations are included not just Smart registrations. GE thought it needed to be considered further. CW believed that the Nexus requirements have/are being gathered and this piece of work is not in scope. FC provided a table for the assessments of 9 topic areas and whether these would be covered by Smart/DCC Arrangements or UNC/Project Nexus.

FC believed Supply Point Register is not just a DCC consideration, it was considered that the DCC would have a view of registrations but would not own the data as it will be provided to them. GE was unclear about the scope of the DCC. ST interpreted that the Registration of Supply Points should move over to DCC but not the Asset Register itself. However how this looks and would work is to be defined.

FC confirmed the Supply Point register is being considered along with data items to enhance the database. Supply Point Register will be assessed under Project Nexus.

GE asked about next day switching and where the requirements would sit. CW believed that the Supplier switching should be considered under UNC similar to the Third Energy Package consideration. GE was mindful of excluding considerations.

**New Action NEX0043:** All parties to provide a view on the elements to be considered under Supply Point Register for Project Nexus.

Xoserve set out what other topics were to be scheduled and in what order. FC provided a timeline plan for 2011. KK asked about the timetable and the regularity of meetings and if a more aggressive approach is required.

GE asked about the derivation of AQ and what was in scope. CW believed consideration of UNC0209 – Rolling AQ would be included, however JW believed Rolling AQ is not necessarily a Project Nexus modification and could be considered separately.

Derivation of AQ was discussed. ST challenged the ability of daily allocations, as this currently hangs off AOs. ST believed an AQ was still needed in the future, as there would still be some form of allocation on a daily basis. CW was concerned about the vast scope of AOs and what could be achieved – the group needed to focus on what could be improved in the timeframe of Project Nexus.

The grouping and frequency of meetings was considered and how these could fit together in the future.

It was believed Settlement and AQ could be considered at the same meeting by holding longer days or two-day meetings. Consideration was given to the allocation of meetings it was discussed whether fortnightly meetings would be feasible. FC suggested fortnightly meetings would be the shortest period possible and would have to alternate topics. The current 3-week meeting schedule was believed to be a good timescale.

It was agreed to consider merging AMR and Settlement after 04 May meeting and consider an extra day on 23 May 2011.

**New Action NEX0044:** Joint Office to consider future Workplan and meeting schedule.

#### **4. Transitional Arrangements**

Deferred

#### **5. Topic Workgroup(s) Terms of Reference**

Deferred

#### **6. Workgroup Reporting**

##### **6.1. Final Workgroup Reports**

No final workgroup reports to consider at this meeting.

##### **6.2. Start/end date progress tracking**

Deferred.

##### **6.3. Consider topic monthly workgroup reports**

No topic monthly workgroup reports to consider at this meeting.

#### **7. AOB**

##### **7.1. Universal Single Meter Point Supply Points**

ST provided a presentation on a potential Project Nexus issue. He summarised the potential benefits and disadvantages.

CW asked why there was a need to keep Supply Points, why not just have Supply Meter Points? ST advised that the Supply Meter Points definition is used at various sections within UNC and it take a considerable amount of effort to check each reference and its meaning within the context of Supply Point.

GE asked what the impact for Shippers was; he did not see any advantages/disadvantages and it was a Transporter impact only.

KK thought it would be useful to see the actual costs on an individual Supply Point basis rather than an aggregated position.

It was suggested that the issue is also highlighted at the Distribution Workgroup.

**New Action NEX0045:** All parties to consider the Universal Single Meter Point Supply Points issue and provide a view.

#### **8. Next Steps: Diary Planning**

Planned meetings are available at: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary>. Unless otherwise stated, all meetings are due to be held at 31 Homer Road, Solihull.

The following meetings are scheduled to take place during May 2011:

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<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>
AMR20, 21 & Workgroup 0357	04/05/11	31 Homer Road, Solihull.
SET5	11/05/11	Cancelled.
Workgroup including - AMR, Settlement & Workgroup 0357, 0359 and 0377	[23/05/11] & 24/05/11	31 Homer Road, Solihull.

## Appendix 1

## Action Table

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
NEX0041	22.02.11	2.0	Provide a high level overview on UNC modification 0359 "Use of Market Sector Flag to determine Customer Status" for consideration at the Settlement 3 meeting.	Waters Wye Associates (GE)	<b>Complete</b>
NEX0042	29.04.11	2.0	Waters Wye to provide a view on differentiation and customer types (GE).	Waters Wye Associates (GE)	Pending
NEX0043	29.04.11	3.1	All parties to provide a view on the elements to be considered under Supply Point Register for Project Nexus	All	Pending
NEX0044	29.04.11	3.1	Joint Office to consider future Workplan and meeting schedule.	Joint Office (BF/MB)	Pending
NEX0045	29.04.11	7.1	All parties to consider the Universal Single Meter Point Supply Points issue and provide a view.	All	Pending