

Uniform Network Code Committee
Minutes of the 155th Meeting held on Thursday 19 January 2017
at Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW

Attendees

Voting Members:

Shipper Representatives	Transporter Representatives
Green (AG), Total and alternate for S Mulinganie A Love (AL), Scottish Power A Margan (AM), British Gas R Fairholme (RF), Uniper	C Warner (CW), National Grid Gas Distribution D Lond (DL), National Grid NTS H Chapman (HC), Scotia Gas Networks J Ferguson (JF), Northern Gas Networks R Pomroy (RP), Wales & West Utilities

Non-Voting Members:

Chairman	Ofgem Representative	Consumer Representative
A Plant (AP), Chair	R Elliott (RE), Ofgem	S Moore (SMo), Citizens Advice

Also in Attendance:

A Clasper (AC), National Grid Gas Distribution; F Cottam, (FC) Xoserve; I Oschepkova (IO) ENTSOE; L Jenkins (LJ), Deputy Chair; R Fletcher (RF), Secretary; R Hinsley (RH), Xoserve; S Britten (SB), Cornwall Energy.

155.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting

A Green for S Mulinganie, Gazprom

155.2 Apologies for Absence

S Mulinganie

155.3 Minutes and Actions from the previous meeting

The Minutes from 15 December 2016 meeting were approved.

No outstanding actions to consider.

155.4 Matters for the Committee's Attention

a) UNC / DSC Committee considerations

LJ presented the process for short tracking the DSC Committee nominations process for Shipper Users to allow the committees to be established in time for April 2017. This would include using the same SPOCs as for the previous 2016/17 nomination process and this would include requesting them to confirm in advance which Shipper class they would be nominating into. He requested members to agree that SPOCs who failed to provide a Shipper Class as part of the DSC committee nomination process should be excluded from the process.

AL suggested following up a lack of response to ensure SPOCs are not on holiday and are unable to respond. LJ advised that he would follow up a lack of responses where time allowed.

LJ then explained the proposed timeline and how the aim was to establish the committees in time for March to ensure transition meetings were established.

Members unanimously agreed that the proposed Shipper User nomination process should be adopted for DSC Committee representations 2017/18.

BF advised that Xoserve need to develop and approve the DSC Credit Rules and that a pragmatic approach has been suggested where EBCC members and Transporter Contract Management representatives attend an adhoc meeting to undertake this work. The meeting would be open to all UNC and DSC parties and is to be hosted Xoserve.

b) Performance Assurance Committee (PAC) – updated Terms of Reference for approval to amend the implementation date for Modification 0520A to 01 January 2017

LJ presented the proposed changes to the PAC Terms of Reference and requested members to approve the proposed changes.

Members unanimously approved the changes to the PAC Terms of Reference.

c) AUGE Matters

Pre Nexus AUG update

FC provided an overview of the process required to manage the AUG table until the Project Nexus Implementation Date. As with the previous year, the UNCC can propose different values for the AUG table or agree the current values should be rolled forward.

FC explained that the current table needs to be rolled forward for the remaining two months prior to Project Nexus Implementation or UNCC needs to provide alternative values for inclusion in the table. However, alternative values would need to be supported by a unanimous vote.

AL was concerned that these values would be rolled forward continuously should Project Nexus Implementation be delayed.

It was suggested that if no alternative proposals were made by the February meeting, the current values will be rolled forward.

Consideration of this item was deferred to the February meeting.

Post Nexus AUG update

FC advised that an indicative timeline has been published on the Joint Office website, noting that as set out in Modification 0473, the interim table will be used until the first AUG statement is published.

The AUG has requested Xoserve to host a review meeting to discuss the methodology and she confirmed no voting is required at the review meeting. However, she reminded members that the opportunity for the industry to provide feedback on the draft methodology closes out on 12 March.

AL asked if System Average Price is going to be used to calculate charges. FC advised that extra energy will be added against Shipper NDM accounts and so they will be expected to balance against it.

d) Deferral of the RbD Audit

BF reminded members that the functions of the RbD committee we brought back into the UNCC for this year as Project Nexus was due to be implemented later this year which would remove RbD from Code.

Members were requested to consider the deferral of the RbD audit or if they would prefer further information to be presented by Xoserve.

Members agreed to defer consideration subject to an update from Xoserve of the process likely to be adopted should an audit required.

New Action UNCC0101 – Xoserve to provide a presentation and recommendations on the RbD audit process, including the process to be adopted should an audit be required.

e) Withdrawal of Modifications

AMa asked if a modification is withdrawn that has an alternative modification, are both modifications withdrawn. LJ advised that both modifications are treated as individual modifications for the purposes of Code and the alternative would not be withdrawn and would continue through the process using the same number/suffix.

155.5 Any Other Business

a) None raised.

155.6 Next Meeting

Thursday 16 February 2017, immediately after the UNC Modification Panel meeting.

Action Table (19 January 2017)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
UNCC 0101	19/01/17	155.4 (d)	Xoserve to provide a presentation and recommendations on the RbD audit process, including the process to be adopted should an audit be required.	Xoserve (RH)	Pending