

Project Nexus Update for UK-Link Committee 10th February 2011 **as of 8th February 2011**

xoserve's Project Nexus is gathering industry requirements for the nature and scope of its services to support the future shape of the gas industry. Recent activities have focused on defining detailed requirements to support current and future AMR sites, whilst closely monitoring progress of Ofgem's Smart Metering Implementation Programme, to assess its impact on the future of xoserve's services.

Since the last UK-Link Committee update three further Project Nexus industry meetings have taken place:

PNUNC Workstream – 14th January

The meeting agreed a timetable for the development of detailed requirements for "Settlement", i.e. the determination of daily gas offtaken for sites which now have or will have Smart meters in future. This is the first of the subject areas designed to dovetail around the Smart Metering Implementation Programme. The timetable shows Settlement requirements taking around five months to gather, with later topics to include "Derivation of AQ" and "Reconciliation".

The first meeting takes place on February 9th.

PN UNC Workgroup – AMR Detailed Requirements Workgroup 16 on 14th January and Workgroup 17 on 2nd February

Further progress has been made in defining "to be" Business Rules for Meter Readings for current and future AMR sites, including their use in daily allocation and balancing. At this stage the group is not defining specific file flows or formats, as a systems solution has not been determined.

The work schedule for the AMR Workgroup has been re-planned, and shows an end-date of mid-year.

ICoSS members have raised UNC Modifications (0357 and 0359) relating to some of the AMR topic areas under discussion. The intention is for these Mods to capture progress to date and for them to be referred back to the Project Nexus UNC Workgroup for further development.

More information in respect of previous PNUNC meetings can be found at:

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/nexus/2010>

Future Meetings – post UK-Link Committee meeting

Settlement Workgroup 1 – 9th February 2011

PN UNC Workgroup and AMR Workgroup 18 – 22nd February 2011

PNAG – 28th February 2011

Settlement Workgroup 2 – 2nd March 2011

More information in respect of previous PNAG meetings can be found at:

http://www.xoserve.co.uk/nexus_PNAG.asp

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