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**UNC 0625 Workgroup Minutes**  
**Extension of 6 months to 12 months to transfer non-mandatory sites**  
**from Class 1**

**Thursday 24 August 2017**  
**at Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW**

**Attendees**

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Mike Berrisford (Secretary)	(MB)	Joint Office
Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent
Andrew Margan	(AM)	British Gas
Angela Love	(AL)	ScottishPower
Chris Warner	(CW)	Cadent
Claire Towler	(CT)	SSE
David Mitchell	(DM)	SGN
Deborah Brace*	(DB)	National Grid NTS
Gareth Evans	(GE)	Waters Wye
Gavin Anderson*	(GA)	EDF Energy
Hilary Chapman	(HC)	SGN
John Welch	(JW)	npower
Jonathan Matthews*	(JM)	Crown Gas and Power
Kathryn Turner	(KT)	Good Energy
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Nicky Rozier*	(NR)	BUUK
Richard Pomroy	(RP)	Wales & West Utilities
Robert Cameron-Higgs	(RCH)	Flow Energy
Robert Johnson	(RJ)	ES Pipelines
Sean Hayward	(SH)	Ofgem
Shardul Pandit*	(SP)	Wales & West Utilities
Steve Britton	(SB)	Cornwall Energy
Steve Mulingainie	(SM)	Gazprom
Steve Nunnington	(SN)	Xoserve

\* via teleconference

Copies of all UNC meeting papers are available at: <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0625/240817>

The UNC Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 19 October 2017

**1.0 Outline of Modification**

SM provided a brief overview of the modification during which he confirmed that he would be happy to amend the extension period from six months as proposed to four (4) months, should the Workgroup feel this to be a more appropriate.

SM then made reference to the single page paper providing a breakdown of figures for Daily Metered Mandatory and Voluntary Supply Points that had been requested by the Panel, at which point AL explained that at the same Panel meeting she had voiced her concerns around

the Unidentified Gas (UIG) quantification aspects especially across the various Classes, rather than simply the overall volume in Class 1. Responding, SM indicated that he would be happy to amend the modification to help address some of these (additional) concerns, although he felt DMV sites moving to Class 4 posed a more significant risk to UIG allocation.

RP also felt that the issue surrounding DMV's in Class 1 needs to be considered, with better justification, and whether it is appropriate for these to remain in Class 1 for a longer transitional period rather than move to Class 4 straight off. In response, SM explained that the modification already takes AMR metering requirements into account especially the time needed to install any suitable equipment should the desire to move them into Class 2 and the additional requirements for advanced metering. The original transitional periods was agreed as the DM read issues were unexpected and the industry needed time to resolve the DM read issues before the transition process is enforced.

In recognising that the aim (plan) is to have everything in place by September, SM reiterated that he would be more than happy to amend the modification to read as 4 months. In supporting SM's comments, AM provided a brief resume of the previous Panel discussions.

SM took the opportunity to acknowledge the work undertaken by F Cottam of Xoserve in seeking to minimise, and or resolve, the issues and problems experienced to date. AL also explained that PwC (Martin Crozier) have also been considering the issues.

RP advised that having undertaken internal discussions, Wales & West Utilities believe that they are able to facilitate and support the modification's requirements, as and when required.

At this point, CW voiced his concern surrounding whether or not the modification would/could satisfy the self-governance criteria, quoting the fact that the similar UNC Modification 0345 'Removal of Daily Metered voluntary regime' was deemed unsuitable for self-governance. BF provided a quick onscreen review of the Panel self-governance criteria.

When asked, SN felt that at this time, a Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) is not needed.

A brief discussion on whether Relevant Objective d) is applicable ensued with AM favoured objective f). However, whilst agreeing to consider the matter the Proposer, S Mulliganie provided justification as to why d) is his preferred option (i.e. it takes into account unfair treatment aspects).

## **2.0 Initial Discussion**

### **2.1. Issues and Questions from Panel**

BF highlighted the Workgroup Individual Terms of Reference making reference to the Panel questions.

### **2.2. Initial Representations**

None.

### **2.3. Terms of Reference**

(<https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/mods>)

It was noted that individual Terms of Reference apply in the case of this modification.

## **3.0 Next Steps**

SM to provide an amended modification reflecting Workgroup discussions, with a view to the Workgroup completing the Workgroup Report (including any industry responses to the Panel questions) at the September meeting.

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**4.0 AOB**

None.

**5.0 Diary Planning**

Further details of planned meetings are available at: [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary)

Workgroup meetings will take place as follows:

<b>Time/Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Workgroup Programme</b>
10:30 Thursday 28 September 2017	London ( <i>Venue to be confirmed</i> )	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Standard Agenda items<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ <i>Completion of Workgroup Report</i></li></ul></li></ul>