# **UNC Workgroup 0647 Minutes**

# Opening Class 1 reads to Competition (including IGT Modification 119 – Opening Class 1 read services on IGT Meter Supply Points to Competition)

# Wednesday 22 May 2019

# at Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull B91 2AA

#### **Attendees**

Allendees		
Chris Shanley (Chair)	(CS)	Joint Office
Kully Jones (Secretary)	(KJ)	Joint Office
Alan Raper	(AR)	Joint Office
Alexander Mann*	(AM)	Gazprom
Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent
Brandon Rodrigues*	(BR)	ESP Utilities
Carl Whitehouse*	(CW)	Shell
Dave Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
David Mitchell	(DM)	SGN
Edward Fyfe*	(EF)	SGN
Ellie Rogers	(ER)	Xoserve
Gareth Evans	(GE)	Waters Wye Associates Ltd
Guv Dosanjh	(GD)	Cadent
Lorna Lewin*	(LL)	Orsted
Louise Hellyer*	(LH)	Total
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Megan Coventry*	(MC)	SSE
Michael Lain*	(ML)	E.ON
Richard Pomroy	(RP)	Wales & West Utilities
Shardul Pandit*	(SP)	Wales & West Utilities
Steve Britton*	(SB)	Cornwall Insight
Tracey Saunders	(TS)	Northern Gas Networks

<sup>\*</sup>via teleconference

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The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 20 June 2019.

#### 1. Introduction and Status Review

Chris Shanley (CS) welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 1.1. Approval of Minutes (25 April 2019)

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

#### 2. Review of Amended Modification

Ellie Rogers ER) provided an update stating that the original ROM costs were far higher than anticipated and that a revised ROM has now been provided offering clarification of the transition costs.

The enduring solution will cost between £222,000 and £250,000 to implement. This is inclusive of transition period. The previous costs for the enduring solution were between £125,00 and £226,000 plus additional costs for transition of between £250,000 and £377,000.

David Mitchell (DM) queried the costs seeking clarification on how the costs have reduced by one-third and expressing concern in relation to the estimation of costs. Dave Addison responded to say that the initial high costs were due to a misunderstanding of the requirements and that a high-level solution impact assessment has been undertaken to arrive at the new costs so there is a greater degree of confidence in the cost estimates provided now.

Mark Jones (MJ) sought clarification on whether the costs include the Shipper costs. DA responded to say the Shipper costs are not included, the ROM only provides a view of the central CDSP costs and effort.

RP stated that the costs are now in a feasible range, but he is still mindful of the discussions in relation to the service provided by National Grid Metering and that in-house provision to manage reads by Shippers will be needed.

Taking this into consideration, WWU would like to investigate the provision of a central service for Shippers so the intention is to withdraw the Modification and simultaneously raise a Request for a review. Ideally this would be for the June Modification Panel meeting but due to his availability this will be delayed to the July meeting.

Brandon Rodrigues (BR) asked about the IGT Modification and whether this would also be withdrawn at the same time and asked if there were any plans to have a joint Review group in the future. It was suggested that RP consider if a joint Review group would be beneficial.

#### 3. Review of Business Rules

Discussion on this agenda item was deferred.

#### 4. Review of Impacts and Costs

Discussion on this agenda item was deferred.

#### 5. Consideration of Legal Text

Discussion on this agenda item was deferred.

### 6. Development of Workgroup Report

CS reminded participants that the Workgroup Report is due to be presented to the June Panel meeting and in light of RPs availability a one-month extension will be needed. He suggested that the Workgroup Report is drafted to capture the work that has taken place to date as this will aid the review.

#### 7. Review of Outstanding Actions

**Action 0101:** Wales & West Utilities (RP) to explore options for reducing transition costs and/or complexity with Xoserve and provide an update at the next meeting.

Update: ER provided an update under agenda item 2.0 above. Closed

**New Action 0301:** WWU and Xoserve to develop the proposal for a central service to be provided by the CDSP (option 3 or 4).

**Update:** ER indicated that it would be helpful for Shippers to provide views on the current service as this would help to inform the options. RP reminded Workgroup that currently Shippers can opt into the service for hourly reads but although Transporters currently provide the reads, under Modification 0647 they would not exist. There is therefore an option in future for Shippers to receive hourly reads from Xoserve so it would be helpful to receive Shippers view on both the options (3 and 4) and the levels of service required. **Carried Forward** 

#### 8. Next Steps

Chris Shanley BF concluded the Workgroup by confirming that:

- Workgroup Report will be published seeking a one-month extension.
- The revised ROM provided for the meeting will be published and included in the report.

#### 9. Any Other Business

None.

#### 10. Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at:

https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme		
10:30, Thursday 27 June 2019	Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW	Review of Amended Modification (if appropriate)		
		Review of the Business Rules		
		Review of Impacts and Costs		
		<ul> <li>Completion of Workgroup Report.</li> </ul>		

# Action Table (as at 22 May 2019)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0101	24/01/19	4.0	Wales & West Utilities (RP) to explore options for reducing transition costs and/or complexity with Xoserve and provide an update at the next meeting.	WWU (RP)	Closed
0301	28/03/19	4.0	WWU and Xoserve to develop the proposal for a central service to be provided by the CDSP (option 3 or 4).	WWU (RP)/CDSP (DA)	Carried Forward