Uniform Network Code Committee Minutes Meeting 237 held on Thursday 20 July 2023

via Microsoft Teams

Attendees Voting Members:						
Shipper Representatives		Transporter Representatives				
D Fittock (DF) Corona Energy O Chapman (OC) Centrica and on behalf of D Morley (DMo) OVO Energy and M Bellman (MB) R Fairholme (RF) Uniper S Mulinganie (SM) SEFE		C Gilbert (CG) for A Travell (AT) BUUK D Mitchell (DMi) SGN G Dosanjh (GD) Cadent J Bates (JB) National Gas Transmission R Pomroy (RP) Wales & West Utilities and for T Saunders (TS) Northern Gas Networks				
Non-Voting Membe	rs:					
Chairperson	Ofgem Representative	Consumer Representative	Independent Supplier Representative			
W Goldwag (WG)	M Brown (MBr)					
Also, in Attendance:						
Joint Office		Observers				
P Garner (PG) H Cuin (HC) K Elleman (KE) R Hailes (RH)		D Addison (DA) Xoserve/CDSP E Rogers (ER) Xoserve/CDSP F Cottam (FC) Xoserve/CDSP J Lomax (JL) Cornwall Insight J Semple (JS) Ofgem				

237.1. Introductions

W Goldwag (WG) welcomed the attendees.

237.2. Note of any alternates attending the meeting

C Gilbert on behalf of A Travell

O Chapman on behalf of D Morley and M Bellman

237.3. Apologies for Absence

A Travell

D Morley

M Bellman

237.4. Minutes of the last meeting 15 June 2023

Approved.

237.5. Review of Action(s)

0601: CDSP (ER) to confirm with the AUGE regarding the unequalised and final equalised table both being published and update the Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert to reflect this.

Update: E Rogers (ER) provided a changed marked version of the Framework see item 224.6 a. **Closed.**

0602: OVO (DMo) to provide a full explanation of the Shrinkage data concerns.

Update: K Elleman (KE) confirmed that the Performance Assurance Committee (PAC) will be advised of the data concerns for these to be considered by PAC. It was agreed that actions 0602 and 0603 should be transferred to PAC. **Closed.**

0603: PAC to formally respond following receipt of Shrinkage data concerns (see action 0602).

Update: Transferred to PAC. Closed.

237.6. Matters for the Committee's Attention

a) Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert v10.0

E Roger (ER) provided an updated version of the framework documents for UNCC approval following the implementation of Modification 0840.

The UNCC unanimously approved the Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert for publication with effect from 01 October 2023 at: https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/tpddocs

b) Review of Aug Year Report

F Cottam (FC) provided an overview of the AUG Year Report confirming one response was provided on the activities and performance of the AUGE from the AUGE, thanking stakeholders for the engagement and feedback throughout the year's process.

237.7. Any Other Business

a) CSS PC1 Incident

D Addison (DA) wished to highlight to the Committee that CSS experienced an unresolved PC1 incident on 06 July that resulted in 80k Missing Messages. This was a significant increase compared to previous volumes experienced and at present there is no indication of the likely mix of domestic/commercial/Product Classes affected.

In response to the incident, DA advised that CDSP intends to accept 'proxy Definitive Registration Notifications', and the CDSP will be seeking confirmation that they are able to continue to take alternative notifications in order to resolve these incidents as quickly as possible.

DA explained that this issue had occurred due to a failure in CSS, there are no compliance issues on the GRDA / CDSP.

DA provided an overview of the incident, advising that various registrations have stalled in the CSS system. DA provided a projection that circa 84k registrations will be impacted with an estimated 1.25TWhs total AQ.

DA confirmed there is no single solution option, noting that the Gas Settlement systems will not accept retrospective registrations which may lead to potential settlement issues.

DA explained the steps required for adjustments and the need to raise a Modification to address the settlement issues.

DA suggested for prospective instances the incoming Shipper can submit a Supply Point withdrawal which will lead to a cancellation of the impacted switches and can re-submit the switch for a subsequent date. It was noted that there would still be settlement issues, although the UK Link and CSS registration will align, the switch date will not align with the consumer contracts.

The Committee considered the impact on customers and the associated Shipper costs. The retrospective dates within UK Link, the route cause of the issue and engagement with RECCo were briefly discussed noting that within the Electricity Market systems allow retrospective corrections.

DA explained that subsequent solutions may be possible, and the CSS are being pressed due to the importance of fixing registrations to limit further settlement impacts.

DA asked the UNCC if the CDSP are able to continue to act on alternative notifications with the scale of the issue being materially different to the previous incident. S Mulinganie (SM) relayed support for the registration of sites within UK Link at the next available date. RP understood that future registrations can be withdrawn and re-submitted to allow these to go through. No objections were expressed to the proposed fix.

Ofgem was approached on whether they had an awareness/visibility of the incident. M Brown (MBr) was not able to confirm the level of awareness within Ofgem.

WG enquired about the impact of business-as-usual processes and the recovery of costs. DA confirmed that staff are working to resolve this issue on the basis of unpaid overtime.

b) UNC Validations

F Cottam (FC) wanted to flag that there will be an update to the UNC Validation Document which will require UNCC approval following discussions at the DSC Contract Management Committee.

237.8. Date of Next Meeting(s):

Further details of planned meetings are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month

All UNCC meetings will be held immediately after the UNC Modification Panel.

Time / Date	Paper Publication Deadline	Venue
Thursday 17 August 2023	5pm Wednesday 09 August 2023	Teleconference / Microsoft
Thursday	5pm Wednesday	Teleconference / Microsoft
21 September 2023	13 September 2023	Teams & In Person
Thursday	5pm Wednesday	Teleconference / Microsoft
19 October 2023	11October 2023	Teams
Thursday	5pm Wednesday	Teleconference / Microsoft
16 November 2023	08 November 2023	Teams
Thursday	5pm Wednesday	Teleconference / Microsoft
14 December 2023	06 December 2023	Teams & In Person

Action Table								
Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Reporting Month	Status Update		
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