Uniform Network Code Committee Minutes Meeting 241 held on Wednesday 22 November 2023

via Microsoft Teams

Attendees Voting Members:							
Shipper Representatives		Transporter Representatives					
D Fittock (DF) SSE and for S Mullinganie		C Gilbert (CG) BUUK					
C Paine (CP) Engie		D Mitchell (DMi) SGN					
R Fairholme (RF) Uniper		E Allard (EA) Cadent					
		M Montgomery (JB) National Gas Transmission					
		T Saunders (TS) Northern Gas Networks and for R Pomroy (RP)					
Non-Voting Members:							
Chairperson	Ofgem Representative	Consumer Representative	Independent Supplier Representative				
W Goldwag (WG)							
Also, in Attendance:							
Joint Office		Observers					
B Fletcher (BF)		E Rogers (ER) Xoserve/CDSP					
H Bennett (HB)		F Cottam (FC) Xoserve/CDSP					
P Garner (PG)		B Goode (BG) National Gas					
R Hailes (RH)							
Copies of all papers are available at: <u>https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/UNCC/221123</u>							

241.1 Introductions

W Goldwag (WG), welcomed the attendees, noting that this meeting had originally been planned to be held on 16 November 2023 and had been deferred.

241.2 Note of any alternates attending the meeting

T Saunders for R Pomroy

241.3 Apologies for Absence

D Morely

O Chapman

S Mulinganie

241.4 Minutes of the last meeting 19 October 2023

Approved.

241.5 Review of Actions

None.

241.6 Matters for the Committee's Attention

a) Gemini Platform Progress

B Goode (BG) introduced himself as the Gemini product owner for National Gas and provided a presentation with a brief overview of the Gemini Sustain Plus progress to date. He asked if this was to be a standing item or just one-off action. WG confirmed this would be a standing item for the Committees and is now included as an agenda item.

BG explained that the Gemini system is an aging product and change is proving to be expensive and the usability of the product is difficult compared to more modern systems. Customer engagement has provided feedback requesting improvements in the operation of the system.

The five main reasons for change are:

- 1. Improved usability;
- 2. Additional Functions;
- 3. Enhanced Security;
- 4. Greater Support;
- 5. Future Change.

BG explained the new system should improve the Customer experience, by delivering solutions to previously raised pain points. (e.g. Entry and exit capacity screens combined).

It should deliver a modern interface improving usability of customer navigation.

It should also mean future changes can be made in a speedier and more efficient way, along with providing enhanced flexibility for future change.

WG asked how the change process is working in terms of the progress made to date and if there were any concerns that the Committee should be made aware of.

BG noted that as a complex system, a significant number of products require testing and the programme progress is currently tracking as amber while the review and testing are in progress. The plan is on track and progress is speeding up as review and testing concludes.

WG if the amber status will impact the proposed change freeze window?

BG advised the change freeze is related to Modifications and Change Proposals that would impact the current legacy Gemini system only, other changes can progress if they have no impacts on Gemini. Modifications and Change Proposals that would impact legacy Gemini would be inefficient and expensive to progress while the replacement system is close to concluding.

WG asked what the governance process is that needs to be followed to ensure the success of the programme is being tracked. BG explained that the main service provider for the programme is Xoserve and activities are being tracked at the programme board and at senior levels within National Gas.

It should also be noted that the UNC/DSC process is being monitored to ensure other industry changes are tracked against the project to understand any consequential impacts.

b) Performance Assurance Committee ToR v7.0

R Hailes (RH) provided an overview of the changes made to the Performance Assurance Committee (PAC) Terms of Reference (ToR). It was noted that PAC have approved the ToR and this presentation is for Committee reference.

D Fittock (DF) asked if the amendments and governance process used are those implemented by Modification 0674V - Performance Assurance Techniques and Controls. RH confirmed that this is the process being followed.

241.7 **Any Other Business**

None.

241.8 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 14 December 2023	5pm Friday 08 December 2023	Meeting in Person at SEFE Energy Offices, London Microsoft Teams available			
Thursday	5pm Wednesday	Teleconference / Microsoft			
18 January 2024	10 January 2024	Teams			
Thursday	5pm Wednesday	Teleconference / Microsoft			
15 February 2024	07 February 2024	Teams			
Thursday	5pm Wednesday	Teleconference / Microsoft			
21 March 2024	13 March 2024	Teams			
Thursday	5pm Wednesday	Teleconference / Microsoft			
18 April 2024	10 April 2024	Teams			

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	Action Table							
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