

UNC Workgroup 0632S Minutes Shipper asset details reconciliation

Thursday 26 October 2017

at Elexon, 4th Floor, 350 Euston Road, London, NW1 3AW

Attendees

Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent
Andrew Margan	(AM)	Centrica
Angela Love	(AL)	Scottish Power
Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Carl Whitehouse	(CWh)	First Utility
Charles Ruffell	(CR)	RWE
Chris Warner	(CWa)	Cadent
Claire Towler	(CT)	SSE
Darren Lond	(DL)	National Grid
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
David Mitchell	(DM)	SGN
David Reilly*	(DR)	Ofgem (UNC 0619/0619A)
Emily Wells	(EW)	Corona Energy
Frasier Mathieson	(FM)	SGN
Gareth Evans	(GE)	Waters Wye
Hilary Chapman	(HC)	SGN
John Burke*	(JB)	Cadent (AOB only)
John Welch	(JW)	npower
Jon Dixon	(JD)	Ofgem
Karen Visgarda	(KV)	Joint Office
Kathryn Turner*	(KT)	Good Energy
Kirsty Dudley	(KD)	E.ON
Kully Jones (Secretary)	(KJ)	Joint Office
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	DONG Energy
Mark Jones*	(MJ)	SSE
Nicky Rozier*	(NR)	(BUUK)
Rachel Hinsley	(RH)	Xoserve
Richard Pomroy	(RP)	Wales and West Utilities
Shanna Key	(SK)	Northern Gas Networks
Shardul Pandit*	(SP)	Wales and West Utilities
Steve Britton	(SB)	Cornwall Insight
Steve Mulinganie	(SM)	Gazprom
Tim Hammond	(TH)	Corona Energy

* *via teleconference*

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The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 18 January 2018.

1.0 Outline of Modification

EW introduced the modification and provided an overview of the slides that were presented to the Modification Panel on 19 October 2017. She explained that at present there is no formal obligation on Shippers to indicate to the CDSP whether a site has a Smart or AMR device fitted. This lack of information limits a number of industry processes, such as assessment of compliance with industry requirements, and constrains activities in the market. The overall aim of the modification is therefore, to increase the recording of Smart and AMR meters through UNC changes which will place an obligation on Shippers to provide the information. System changes may also be needed to capture the information. There are no intended additional obligations on reporting as the PAC would continue to undertake this function in terms of considering performance against obligations.

In response to a question from SM, EW confirmed that whilst there is already a requirement to record whether a Smart meter or AMR device exists at a site the solution requires a reconciliation with the CDSP and a clear understanding of what a Smart meter is.

The Workgroup considered the existing obligations within Modification 0430 *Inclusion of data items relevant to smart metering into existing industry systems*. This modification introduced a new paragraph 2.1.13 in relation to Smart metering which placed a requirement to inform CDSP if a Smart meter is installed. However, there are 2 issues, firstly the data is not robust and secondly, it does not include AMRs. AM suggested that there may be confusion of when a Smart meter is a Smart meter which may impact data figures. The modification helps to address the under and over claiming/reporting to provide a robust industry number.

DA provided clarification that where an AMR device is recorded that from a system perspective Xoserve have the capability and it is being used in some instances. He questioned whether the UNC is clear about the requirement.

In response to AMs suggestion that there is also a backlog issue, DA confirmed that Xoserve have completed this review of information on behalf of the industry. Approximately 70-80k Smart Meter IDs and AMR providers were migrated across based upon how Shippers recorded the information on UK Link. RH confirmed that as a result an additional 40k AMR devices have been recorded. EW stated that whilst the system is appropriate there remains more work to be undertaken to improve understanding of the requirements within industry.

It was reiterated that for this modification the responsibility would clearly lie with Shippers to record the meter mechanism or to provide AMR details which the CDSP would record.

GE suggested that the issue is with the recording of devices set out in paragraphs TPD Section M 2.1.13 and 2.1.14 of the UNC as they do not give the solution to record every meter type or specification. He also suggested the need to clarify the definitions of SMET 1 and 2. This modification provides an opportunity therefore to address the inconsistencies/inaccuracies and current ambiguities by strengthening the requirements.

The discussion concluded with a brief debate on reporting. AM sought clarification that Shippers would continue to receive an anonymised report which could be cross-checked against the BEIS report provided by the CDSP.

The Workgroup concluded the discussion with a consideration of cross-code impacts. AL suggested that there may need to be changes under iGT and SPAA. KD informed the Workgroup that there is on-going work being undertaken by a MDD working group under SPAA and that any issues need to be fed into the consultation (MDD/RGMA). BF agreed to contact Steve Ladle, Gemserve to discuss any cross-code implications.

2.0 Initial Discussion

2.1. Issues and Questions from Panel

None received.

2.2. Terms of Reference

As matters have been referred from Panel a specific Terms of Reference will be published alongside the Modification at <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0632>.

3.0 Next Steps

BF confirmed that the proposer is going to clarify the solution by providing more detail. Cadent are going to provide the legal text. It was also agreed that a further 1 or 2 meetings would be required to progress this modification before it is presented to the Panel on 18 January 2018.

4.0 Any Other Business

None.

5.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary

Workgroup meetings will take place as follows:

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:30 Thursday 23 November 2017	Lansdowne Gate (Xoserve) 65 New Road Solihull B91 3DL	Detail planned agenda items. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amended Modification • Consideration of Business Rules • Review of Impacts and Costs • Review of Relevant Objectives • Consideration of Wider Industry Impacts • Consideration of Legal Text • Development of Workgroup Report

Action Table (as at 26 October 2017)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
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