

UNC 0682:

Market Participant MDD Migration to UNC Governance from the SPAA



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Why change?



- The efficient running of the gas energy industry requires accurate and unambiguous management of Market Participant Identities (inclusive of organisation name and short code) for all Market Participants.
- SPAA Change Proposal (SCP) 467 is seeking to remove the process of Market Domain Data (MDD) management for Market Participant Identities from SPAA governance to the Uniform Network Code (UNC) as part of the switching programme.
- This Modification is seeking to introduce the activities into the UNC.
- The Central Data Service Provider (CDSP) shall act as the custodian of the data and maintain the Market Participant Identities for all gas participants in the energy market.
- The CDSP will be required to implement a process for Market Participants (including those who are not UNC parties) to request insertion, amendment or deletion of Market Participant Identities, and for these Market Participant Identities to be published to relevant Market Participants.

Options



- Modification proposes to create the management of Market Participant Identities within the UNC and for this to lead to a CDSP service under the DSC.
- In addition, a supporting guidelines document 'Guidance Document' (is to be governed under the DSC Contract Management Committee) that describes the verification steps and rules that the CDSP shall follow in assessing any amendment to the Market Participant Identities register.
- The Market Participant Identities process will then be administered by the CDSP under UNC/DSC governance arrangements. This Modification will create the requirement on the CDSP to provide this service in the UNC/DSC. The Service Description Table will be amended to include a new service line that the CDSP will be required to maintain and make available Market Participant Identities to Market Participants and also maintain the Guidance Document.

Solution



- It is expected that the Workgroup shall develop this solution and confirm whether additional definitions are needed in the UNC. Initial considerations are:
- This Modification shall:
 - Amend Section V with respect to User Admission, so that the CDSP manages the User Admission process for Shipper and Trader Users. This process will also cover the assignment of Market Participant Identities for other Market Participants.
 - Amend Section GT-D – CDSP and UK Link - so that the CDSP are required to maintain and publish the Market Participant Identity register in UNC and maintain the 'Guidance Document' as a constituent document within the UK Link Manual.
- This Modification shall also insert Service Line(s) in the Service Description Table such that the CDSP will be required to:
 - Maintain and make available Market Participant Identities to Market Participants; and,
 - Maintain a 'Guidance Document' that describes the verification steps and rules that the CDSP shall follow in assessing any amendment to the Market Participant Identities List.

Recommended Steps



- The Proposer recommends that this modification should be:
 - Subject to self-governance
 - Workgroup assessment to develop the modification for 2 months