

**UNC Workgroup 0482S Minutes**  
**Proposed Changes to Mod 81 Reports to be effective from 01/10/13**  
**Thursday 27 February 2014**  
**at ENA, 52 Horseferry Road, London. SW1P 2AF**

**Attendees**

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Mike Berrisford (Secretary)	(MiB)	Joint Office
Alan Raper	(AR)	National Grid Distribution
Alex Ross-Shaw	(ARS)	Northern Gas Networks
Chris Warner	(CW)	National Grid Distribution
Colette Baldwin	(CB)	E.ON UK
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
Dave Mitchell	(DM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Ed Hunter	(EH)	RWE npower
Erika Melen	(EM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Gareth Evans	(GE)	Waters Wye Associates
Hilary Chapman	(HC)	Xoserve
Huw Comerford	(HCo)	utilita
Kirsten Elliot-Smith	(KES)	Cornwall Energy
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	DONG Energy
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Robin Johnson	(RJ)	Wingas

\* via teleconference

Copies of all papers are available at: [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0482/270214](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0482/270214)

The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel on 17 April 2014.

**1.0 Outline of Modification**

Opening, BF explained that confirmation of the Proposer's absence at today's meeting was only communicated to him late on the previous day, hence there was no time to cancel the meeting.

**2.0 Initial Discussion**

BF conducted a brief on-screen review of the modification whilst providing some background to the February Panel discussions on the matter.

DA advised that development costs are not anticipated to be material in nature as they are expected to fall in the lower end of the Xoserve scale and ongoing costs are expected to yield a net difference of zero (£0), excluding any allowance for retrospection. He then went on to add that he was surprised to see an element of retrospection included within the modification and believes that the Workgroup would need to find a view on this in due course.

Moving on, DA explained that Xoserve are fast becoming 'workload constrained' and inclusion of retrospective elements only serves to potentially double their workload, especially when bearing in mind, the proposed 2014 implementation date. When asked, DA confirmed that Xoserve had not yet had an opportunity to discuss their retrospection related concerns with the Proposer, M Clark ScottishPower.

MJ advised that he had discussed the question of retrospection with M Clark who had indicated that perhaps the retrospection elements could / would be removed in due course.

BF advised that the February UNC Panel had formally requested legal text to accompany the modification, which Wales & West Utilities are expected to provide in due course. However, should the modification be tweaked (to possibly remove retrospective elements etc.), then the legal text would also need to be amended accordingly.

The Workgroup concluded that in the absence of the Proposer and Wales & West Utilities it was very difficult to progress matters any further. BF advised that he would update M Clark, ScottishPower of the discussions undertaken in due course.

In closing, a new action was placed on all parties to review the modification and provide any thoughts/comments in time for further consideration at the next meeting.

**Action 0482S 0201: All to review the modification and provide any thoughts/comments in time for further consideration at the next meeting.**

### 3.0 Any Other Business

None.

### 4.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary)

The next meetings will take place within the Distribution Workgroup on:

Tuesday 11 March 2014, at 10:30, 31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT.

### Action Table

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0482S 0201	27/02/14	2.0	To review the modification and provide any thoughts/comments in time for further consideration at the next meeting.	All	<b>Pending</b>