At what stage is this **UNC Request Workgroup Report** document in the process? UNC 0639R: Request 01 02 Workgroup Report Review of AUGE Framework and Final Modification Report Arrangements **Purpose of Request:** The AUGE framework and arrangements have been in place for some time and cover pre and post Nexus. The purpose of the review will be to determine if any changes to its arrangements are appropriate. The Workgroup recommends that the Panel consider the closure of the Request. High Impact: Shippers Medium Impact: Low Impact:

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About this document:

This report will be presented to the panel on 17 May 2018.

The panel will consider whether the Request should be closed.

1 Request Summary

Why is the Request being made?

The AUGE framework and arrangements have been in place for some time and cover both the period both pre and post Nexus. The purpose of the review group will be to determine if any changes to its arrangements are appropriate.

Scope

The Workgroup would be asked to consider the current arrangements for the AUGE and to identify any changes needed to the existing arrangements based on both feedback given as part of the AUGE review process, as well as any relevant issues Workgroup participants consider should be subject to the review. The Workgroup will also be asked to consider the contracting and procurement arrangements set out in the AUGE Framework document.

Impacts & Costs

The areas that may be impacted are discussed in the Scope section.

Recommendations

It is proposed that this Request is sent to Workgroup for consideration and that a Report should be provided by the 15 March 2018 Panel.

Additional Information

NA

2 Impacts and Costs

Consideration of Wider Industry Impacts

No wider industry impacts identified which would have a specific material negative impact associated with undertaking this review.

Impacts

Impact on Central Systems and Process			
Central System/Process	Potential impact		
UK Link	• NA		
Operational Processes	Could lead to changes to the AUGE process and framework		

Impact on Users	
Area of Users' business	Potential impact
Administrative and operational	• TBC
Development, capital and operating costs	• TBC

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Impact on Users	
Contractual risks	• TBC
Legislative, regulatory and contractual obligations and relationships	• TBC

Impact on Transporters	
Area of Transporters' business	Potential impact
System operation	None expected
Development, capital and operating costs	None expected
Recovery of costs	None expected
Price regulation	None expected
Contractual risks	None expected
Legislative, regulatory and contractual obligations and relationships	None expected
Standards of service	None expected

Impact on Code Administration		
Area of Code Administration	Potential impact	
Modification Rules	None expected.	
UNC Committees	There may be impacts on reporting and responsibilities set out for the UNCC in the current arrangements.	
General administration	None expected	
DSC Committees	None expected	

Impact on Code	
Code section	Potential impact
	Changes may be required to UNC to give effect to any proposal and a modification proposal may be an output of this review.

Impact on UNC Related Documents and Other Referenced Documents		
Related Document Potential impact		
Network Entry Agreement (TPD I1.3)	None expected	
General	Potential Impact	
Legal Text Guidance Document	None expected	

Impact on UNC Related Documents and Oth	ner Referenced Documents	
UNC Modification Proposals – Guidance for Proposers	None expected	
Self Governance Guidance	None expected	
TPD	Potential Impact	
Network Code Operations Reporting Manual (TPD V12)	None expected	
UNC Data Dictionary	None expected	
AQ Validation Rules (TPD V12)	None expected	
AUGE Framework Document	Review may lead to changes to the document	
Customer Settlement Error Claims Process	None expected	
Demand Estimation Methodology	None expected	
Energy Balancing Credit Rules (TPD X2.1)	None expected	
Energy Settlement Performance Assurance Regime	None expected	
Guidelines to optimise the use of AQ amendment system capacity	None expected	
Guidelines for Sub-Deduct Arrangements (Prime and Sub-deduct Meter Points)	None expected	
LDZ Shrinkage Adjustment Methodology	Any changes to the regime impacting Upstream may impact on the determination of Shrinkage	
Performance Assurance Report Register	None expected	
Shares Supply Meter Points Guide and Procedures	None expected	
Shipper Communications in Incidents of CO Poisoning, Gas Fire/Explosions and Local Gas Supply Emergency	None expected	
Standards of Service Query Management Operational Guidelines	None expected	
Network Code Validation Rules	None expected	
OAD	Potential Impact	
Measurement Error Notification Guidelines	None Expected	

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Impact on UNC Related Documents and Other Referenced Documents		
(TPD V12)		
EID	Potential Impact	
Moffat Designated Arrangements	None Expected	
IGTAD	Potential Impact	
	None Expected	
DSC / CDSP	Potential Impact	
Change Management Procedures	None Expected	
Contract Management Procedures	None Expected	
Credit Policy	None Expected	
Credit Rules	None Expected	
UK Link Manual	None Expected	

Impact on Core Industry Documents and other documents		
Document	Potential impact	
Safety Case or other document under Gas Safety (Management) Regulations	None Expected	
Gas Transporter Licence	None Expected	

Other Impacts	
Item impacted	Potential impact
Security of Supply	None Expected
Operation of the Total System	None Expected
Industry fragmentation	None Expected
Terminal operators, consumers, connected system operators, suppliers, producers and other noncode parties	·

3 Terms of Reference

Background

The AUGE framework and arrangements have been in place for some time and cover pre and post Nexus.

The purpose of the review group will be to determine if any changes to its arrangements are needed.

Topics for Discussion

- Understanding the objective
- Issues relating to the current AUGE framework and arrangements
- Consideration of the feedback from this year's AUGE review
- Consideration of the existing contracting arrangements and timetable.

Outputs

Production of a Workgroup Report for submission to the Modification Panel, containing the assessment and recommendations of the Workgroup including a draft Modification where appropriate.

Composition of Workgroup

The Workgroup is open to any party that wishes to attend or participate.

A Workgroup meeting will be quorate provided at least two Transporter and two User representatives are present.

Meeting Arrangements

Meetings will be administered by the Joint Office and conducted in accordance with the Code Administration Code of Practice.

4 Modification(s)

None.

5 Recommendation

The workgroup invites the Panel to:

DETERMINE that Request 0639R should be closed.

Conclusions:

The Workgroup reviewed a number of documents related to the AUG, to identify potential process and regime changes, including the following items:

- 2016/17 AUG Year Review Report
- 2016/17 AUG Review Non-Confidential Responses
- AUG Review Comments provided by DNV GL
- Indicative AUG timeline for 2017/18 statement and table
- AUG Framework Document

Workgroup members identified 7 issues as part of the review of the above information and considered what could be done to resolve them. Full details can be found in the issues log published alongside this report but a summary table can be found below:

Issu	ie	Action	Proposal	Supporting Information
1.	Scope of the AUGE – what is included/not included.	A number of options were identified as a way forward.	?	
2.	How interaction with third parties should work and how to deal with conflict of interest issues.	Section 5 of the AUG Framework was reviewed and it was identified that amendments to the wording in paragraph 5.1.7 could be considered to remove any potential for bias from the process.	[TBC - It is proposed that the AUG Framework is updated to include the revised wording.]	[Amended Framework Document.]
3.	How feedback is treated throughout the AUG process (including the formal consultation period). Linked to issue R063905 (overall process improvements).	Paragraph 7.1.3 defines the consultation period as 42 calendar days. The workgroup considered the merits of 42 days and whether it would be beneficial to move to a shorter 21-day consultation period.	General consensus was that 42 days is too long and a shorter consultation timeframe was proposed of [21] calendar days.	Draft future AUG timeline. Amended Framework Document.
4.	Review/clarification of UNC, UNCC process and AUG Framework documents in relation to voting requirements. Should the voting be related to the methodology, the weightings table or both.	A draft future AUG timeline/process had been put forward by the Proposer and this was reviewed by the Workgroup.	It was proposed that the UNCC meeting in May will consider both the final AUGS and Table. This means that only one UNCC voting meeting is required and as a result the process time is reduced.	Draft future AUG timeline. Amended Framework Document.
5.	The AUG process needs to have sufficient rigor, transparency, feedback opportunities and checkpoints. In particular, the AUGE statement and AUGE table need to be reviewed to decide what needs to be done to align them and clarification on when the tables should be	A draft future AUG timeline/process had been put forward by the Proposer and this was reviewed by the Workgroup.	There was general support for the following AUG process improvements: • an earlier initial industry meeting in Oct/Dec. • reduce the consultation period (see issue 3) • incorporation of	Draft future AUG timeline. Amended Framework Document.

	published and whether they can be changed or not.		additional stakeholder engagement. • change the rules to clarify that the UNCC meeting in May will consider final AUGS and Table (see issue 4).	
6.	Role of Joint Office to	Following a request from	No further action	
	support the AUG Process	Xoserve for the Joint Office to	required.	
	in terms of providing	support the AUG process, the		
	secretariat for the AUG	UNCC agreed that Joint Office		
	meetings and providing a	would provide the secretariat		
	transparent	for the AUG meetings and the		
	communication vehicle for	Joint Office website would		
	all AUG documents.	provide information on the		
		meeting dates and papers.		
7.	Confusion of terminology -	The proposal that unidentified	?	
	UIG and UG.	gas at initial allocation (D+5)		
		should be referred to as initial		
		UIG and unidentified gas at		
		'line in the sand' (Code cut-off		
		date) should be referred to as		
		'final UIG', was reviewed by		
		looking at the definitions in		
		UNC Section H 2.6.		

It should be noted that a Modifications does not need to be raised to accommodate the changes proposed. It is recommended that the Request be closed and the proposals are progressed via the UNCC.