

UNC Unidentified Gas Workgroup Minutes

Tuesday 26 November 2019

at Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull B91 2AA

Attendees

Rebecca Hailes (Chair)	(RH)	Joint Office
Karen Visgarda (Secretary)	(KV)	Joint Office
Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent
David Mitchell	(DM)	SGN
Derek Clark	(DC)	Contract Natural Gas
Fiona Cottam	(FC)	Xoserve
James Rigby	(JR)	Xoserve
Kirsty Dudley*	(KD)	E.ON
Laura Claringbold	(LC)	Contract Natural Gas
Loraine O'Shaughnessy	(LO)	Joint Office
Lorna Lewin*	(LL)	Orsted
Louise Hellyer	(LH)	Total Gas & Power
Luke Reeves*	(LR)	EDF Energy
Mark Bellman	(MB)	Scottish Power
Mark Jones*	(MJ)	SSE
Mark Palmer*	(MP)	Orsted
Megan Coventry*	(MC)	SSE
Naomi Anderson	(NA)	Utility Warehouse
Oorlagh Chapman*	(OC)	British Gas
Rhys Kealley	(RK)	British Gas
Richard Pomroy*	(RP)	Wales & West Utilities
Rob Johnson*	(RJ)	Waters Wye Associates
Rose Kimber	(RKi)	Contract Natural Gas
Ryan Stephenson	(RS)	Utility Warehouse
Stephanie Clements*	(SC)	Scottish Power

*via teleconference

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1. Introduction and Status Review

1.1. Approval of Minutes (22 October 2019)

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

1.2. Pre-Modification Discussions

1.2.1. Modification 0699A – Incentivise Key Areas of Performance using additional UIG Charges. (RK)

Rhys Keally (RK) explained this Pre-Modification was due to be discussed at the Distribution Workgroup on 28 November 2019, and explained this was being proposed as an alternative to *Modification 0664 - Transfer of Sites with Low Valid Meter Reading Submission Performance from Classes 2 and 3 into Class 4*. RK explained that early drafts of Modification 0664 had charges in the solution, these had now been removed in later versions and he wished to keep these charges.

He added that he thought it was valuable to provide an overview of the content to the UIG Workgroup meeting to ensure they were also aware of the proposal. RH agreed and Workgroup requested more detail.

RK then overviewed the content of the presentation and drew attention to the main areas of the proposed changes which were in relation to two charges. He explained these charges were in relation to the long term predictability of the charging levels:

- UIG cost avoidance (through moving sites to Product Classes 2 & 3 without the will or capability to support reads) and
- UIG causation (through non-submission of reads in any Product Class) He then provided an example of the proposed formulas for the 'Avoided UIG Charge' and the 'Cause of UIG Charge'.

A general discussion then took place and both Richard Pomroy (RP) and Louise Hellyer (LH) had concerns over this process. RP asked if there would be the ability for a third party to interrupt the process and LH said the charges should be rate reflective. RK said the process was to mirror the charges to encourage the right behaviour and reflect the costs. RP said this area still needed to be clarified and LH agreed, as she had reservations regarding avoiding the meters in relation to the UIG rebate process.

RK said he would undertake further investigations and present the Modification again at the December UIG Workgroup meeting.

2. Workgroups

2.1. 0664 – Transfer of Sites with Low Read Submission Performance from Class 2 and 3 into Class 4

(Report to Panel 19 December 2019)

www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0664

2.2. 0672 – Target, Measure and Reporting Product Class 4 Read Performance

(Report to Panel 19 December 2019)

www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0672

2.3. 0690S – Reduce qualifying period for Class 1

(Report to Panel 19 December 2019)

www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0690

2.4. 0691S - CDSP to convert Class 3 or 4 meter points to Class 1 when G1.6.15 criteria are met

(Report to Panel 19 December 2019)

www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0691

2.5. 0693R - Treatment of kWh error arising from statutory volume-energy conversion

(Report to Panel 19 December 2019)

www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0693

3. UIG Task Force Update - Review of Recommendations Tracker

It was agreed in the absence of Leanne Jackson, Xoserve, to defer this item until the next meeting.

4. Issues

None raised.

5. Review of Outstanding Actions

Action 0901: Inaccurate / Out of date AQs - Xoserve to consider available data items, any gaps and any additional data cleansing that may be required.

Update: This action was discussed in the meeting and was carried forward. **Carried Forward.**

Action 1001T: Joint Office (RH) to contact Anne Jackson at Gemserv to ascertain if an IGT Modification would be needed and request generic guidelines in relation to when an IGT Modification is required.

Update: This action was discussed in the meeting and was carried forward. **Carried Forward**

6. Any Other Business

None raised.

7. Next Steps

Continue progress with UIG Modification Assessments.

8. Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month>

Workgroup meetings will take place as follows:

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:30 Thursday 12 December 2019	Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull B91 2AA	Standard Workgroup Agenda
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10:30 Tuesday 21 January 2020	Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull B91 2AA	Standard Workgroup Agenda
10:30 Tuesday 18 February 2020	Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull B91 2AA	Standard Workgroup Agenda
10:30 Tuesday 17 March 2020	Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull B91 2AA	Standard Workgroup Agenda

Action Table (as at 26 November 2019)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0901	23/09/19	3.1	Inaccurate /Out of date AQs - Xoserve to consider available data items, any gaps and any additional data cleansing that may be required.	Xoserve (LJ)	Carried Forward
1001T	20/08/19	5.0	Joint Office (RH) to contact Anne Jackson at Gemserv to ascertain if an IGT Modification would be needed and request generic guidelines in relation to when an IGT Modification is required.	Joint Office (RH)	Transferred from 0664, 0672, 0690S & 0691S. Carried Forward