UNC Energy Balancing Credit Committee Minutes Monday 17 August 2020 via Teleconference

Attendees

Loraine O'Shaughnessy (Chair) Karen Visgarda (Secretary) Brendan Gill Sharon Bright Shipper Members (Voting)	(LOS) (HV) (BG) (SB)	Joint Office Joint Office CDSP CDSP	Non-Voting Non-Voting Non-Voting Non-Voting
Jane Morrison	(JM)	SSE	
Joanna Bulley	(JB)	E.ON	
Steve Mulinganie	(SM)	Gazprom	
Thomas Grove	(TG)	Centrica	

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1. Introduction and Status Review

Loraine O'Shaughnessy (LOS) welcomed all members and confirmed the meeting was quorate.

1.1. Apologies for absence

One apology was received for David Holland from ScottishPower

1.2. Note of Alternates

No alternates were in attendance.

1.3. Approval of Minutes (18 May 2020)

The minutes were approved.

1.4. Review of Outstanding actions

0501: Committee members to review and provide feedback on operational statistics provided by Xoserve/CDSP.

Update: Sharon Bright (SB) thanked all the Committee members for their feedback and input and confirmed the action could be then closed. **Closed.**

0502: All EBCC Members to provide Xoserve/CDSP feedback/comments on the Credit Rules with a view to approving changes for 01 June.

Update: Brendan Gill (BG) said that main changes in the Credit Rules were in relation to the Legal agreements, as National Grid had made some minor amendments to the templates. BG said that a track changed version of the rules had been sent to all the Committee members on 10 August 2020 and that he would appreciate any further feedback in an expedient timeline. He said that his aspiration was to formally publish these on 01 November 2020. Thomas Grove (TG) sought clarification if these changes were in essence the same as the version that the Committee members had received in May 2020, BG confirmed that this was the case and said this action could then be closed. **Closed.**

New Action 0801: All Committee members to confirm their acceptance of the EBCC Credit Rules to Brendan Gill Brendan.gill@xoserve.com

0503: Xoserve/CDSP (BG) to confirm if the UNC will need to be updated to reflect changes to Outstanding Energy Balancing Adjustments.

Update: BG said that there are no changes planned to add the two-month service level into the UNC and that this is an internal service level that has been introduced to ensure the efficient processing of adjustments. This action was then closed. **Closed.**

0504: Xoserve/CDSP (BG) to provide further clarity on the powers under X1.2.6 and to share these findings with the Committee.

Update: Steve Mulinganie (SM) said that he felt there was a considerable amount of ambiguity regarding X1.2.6. and he felt that more clarity and detail was required from a Legal perspective, especially where the word 'will' be mentioned. BG said that this action would be carried forward to enable greater discussion to take place regarding this topic. **Carried Forward**

2. Operational Update

2.1. Energy Cash Collection

Sharon Bright (SB) reported the following Cash Collection performance had been consistently high, achieving 98% and above. She explained the only slight dip was in December 2019, which was due to a late payment. She added that Xoserve continue to be in regular contact with all customers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Month	Payment Due Date	Payment Due Date +2	Failure to Pay Notices Issued
April 2020	99.16%	100%	8
May 2020	100%	100%	None
June 2020	99.92%	100%	None
July 2020	99.54%	100%	None

2.2. Cash Calls

SB confirmed that during May 2020 there was 1 Cash Call notice issued and 1 Cash Call notice issued in July which were both paid in full, and there were no Cash Calls were issued in June 2020.

SB clarified there were no issues or signals that customers were having difficulties paying in light of COVID-19.

2.3. Further Security Requests (FSRs)

SB confirmed there were no Further Security Requests to report for the past 3 months.

2.4. Terminated Shipper Update

SB provided an update on two Terminated Shippers since 2018 with a total debt of £3,621,657.44 which was being pursued through the appointed administrators via regular updates.

2.5. Operational Update - Score Cards

SB thanked the Committee members for providing their feedback and input in relation to the updated format of the Operational Statistics and she said the information had been very helpful and welcomed any further feedback as this is helpful.

SB drew attention to the fact that Xoserve had received their CICM Re Accreditation, which due to COVID-19 and lockdown, had been undertaken via a virtual assessment process on 16/17 July 2020. Members congratulated Xoserve on this achievement.

2.6. Energy Balancing Credit Rules

BG said following on from the May 2020 meeting, the Energy Balancing Credit Rules changes had been updated and that these would be published on 01 November 2020, which allowed the pre-requisite 2 months' notice period. This is already covered under the outstanding actions (0502). Does it need to be reference again?

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3. Outstanding Energy Balancing Adjustments

SB provided an overview of the schematic of the latest Energy Balancing Adjustments for August 2020 and advised that there had been no change to the Code as the Invoicing Team had instigated a new SLA to improve the process

Steve Mulinganie (SM) questioned why the February 2020 amount of 50,540,156, was so high and he was interested to know the reason for this substantially high figure, SM noted that in February 2019 there is no trend to the increase in value and especially as this was pre COVID-19. BG said he would investigate this matter and provide feedback

New Action 0802: Xoserve (BG) to investigate the reason why the February 2020 Energy Balancing Adjustment invoicing figure was high and provide feedback.

4. Modifications

None.

5. Key Messages

There were no key messages noted for escalation to UNCC.

6. Any Other Business

None.

7. Diary Planning

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

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme		
10:30 – 11:30 23 November 2020	Teleconference	Standard agenda items		

Action Table (as at 17 August 2020)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0501	18/05/20	2.5	Committee members to review and provide feedback on operational statistics provided by Xoserve/CDSP.	All	Closed
0502	18/05/20	2.6	All EBCC Members to provide Xoserve/CDSP feedback/comments on the Credit Rules with a view to approving changes for 01 June	All	Closed
0503	18/05/20	3.0	Xoserve/CDSP (BG) to confirm if the UNC will need to be updated to reflect changes to Outstanding Energy Balancing Adjustments.	Xoserve /CDSP (BG)	Closed
0504	18/05/20	6.3	Xoserve/CDSP (BG) to provide further clarity on the powers under X1.2.6 and to share these findings with the Committee	Xoserve (BG)	Carried forward

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0801	aco		All Committee members to confirm their acceptance of the EBCC Credit Rules to Brendan Gill Brendan.gill@xoserve.com	All	Pending
0802	17/08/20	3.0	Xoserve (BG) to investigate the reason why the February 2020 Energy Balancing Adjustment invoicing figure was high and provide feedback.	Xoserve (BG)	Pending