UNC Modification

At what stage is this document in the process?

UNC 0XXX:

Adding Local Authorities as a new User type to the Data Permissions Matrix



Purpose of Modification:

Local Authorities (LAs) have an ambition to lead the reduction of carbon emissions in their locality, often to meet net zero target dates that are accelerated ahead of the UK's legally binding target date of 2050. In order to carry out this ambition they need to access data relating predominantly to consumers addresses and gas usage in order to target engagement with such consumers and monitor strategy outcomes.

This modification seeks to amend the UNC Data Permissions Matrix (DPM) to add LAs as a new User type.



The Proposer recommends that this modification should be:

- subject to self-governance
- assessed by a Workgroup

This modification will be presented by the Proposer to the Panel on 17 June 2021. The Panel will consider the Proposer's recommendation and determine the appropriate route.



High Impact:

None identified



Medium Impact:

None identified



Low Impact:

CDSP, Shipper Users and Transporters

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1 Summary

What

LAs have an ambition to lead the reduction of carbon emissions in their locality, often to meet net zero target dates that are accelerated ahead of the UK's legally binding target date of 2050. They have approached Cadent to request information to help them target reduction strategies and also provide visibility on what progress they are making against their goals.

LAs are asking for business names/addresses, customer type (commercial/industrial) their associated standard industrial classification code and their annual gas usage in kWh. They are also asking for post code level gas usage for all users (which can be aggregated).

This change will benefit UK PLC in its journey to Net Zero emissions.

Why

In line with TPD V5.5.2(j) this modification is required in order to add LAs as a new User type to the DPM.

How

This enabling Modification proposes to add LAs to the DPM to allow DSC Contract Management Committee to determine which data items can be provided.

2 Governance

Justification for Self-Governance

This is an enabling Modification only which is proposed as self-governance as it will not impact competition, discriminate between users or have a negative impact on consumers.

Requested Next Steps

This modification should:

- be considered a non-material change and subject to self-governance
- be assessed by a Workgroup

3 Why Change?

LAs have an ambition to lead the reduction of carbon emissions in their locality, often to meet net zero target dates that are accelerated ahead of the UK's legally binding target date of 2050. They are putting into place, plans to drive emissions reductions and want to be able to track progress against their carbon reduction goals. They also want to target engagement with consumers to change behaviours which could lead to a reduction in emissions.

LAs have approached Cadent and asked us to work alongside them to support their carbon emission reduction goals by providing access to information that helps them target reduction strategies and provide visibility on

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what progress they are making against their goals. Electricity Distribution Network Operators are currently working closely with LAs to provide similar information

LAs would like to understand their largest gas users so that they can approach, and work with them on decarbonisation strategies. They are also keen to have the ability to assess the outcome of their interventions year on year to demonstrate progress on gas reduction usage over time. Tracking consumption over time will give them an indication of whether their carbon emissions reductions strategies are working or not.

LAs are seeking business names/addresses, customer type (commercial/industrial) their associated standard industrial classification code and their annual gas usage in kwh. They are also asking for post code level gas usage for all users (which can be aggregated appropriately).

Without access to the required data, LAs will not be able to work with their largest gas users on decarbonisation plans and subsequently won't be able to see if their interventions on properties (insulation, etc) is showing any benefit.

If access to the required data is not forthcoming there is the possibility that the gas industry may be seen as a blocker to carbon emissions reductions. We are also aware that it is proposed within the REC v3 Data Access Schedule that Local Authorities will be permitted access to data via both the Electricity and Gas Enquiry Services.

4 Code Specific Matters

Reference Documents

The Data Permission Matrix (which includes the Conditionality Document) is published on Xoserve.com.

Knowledge/Skills

None identified

5 Solution

This Modification will add LAs to the Data Permission Matrix.

For the avoidance of doubt requests to access UK Link Data and issues regarding how released data is used and any controls required to mitigate against misuse, are managed through the Data Services Contract Management Committee and third-party services contract between Xoserve and the LAs and are not included in the scope of this Modification.

6 Impacts & Other Considerations

Does this modification impact a Significant Code Review (SCR) or other significant industry change projects, if so, how?

None

Consumer Impacts

Data relating to all consumers groups would be available if specified in the reporting and sanctioned by DSC Contract Management Committee.

Potential for reduction in end user energy costs if gas reduction strategies are successful.

Cross Code Impacts

An equivalent IGT UNC Modification may be required.

EU Code Impacts

None

Central Systems Impacts

No impacts to Central Systems envisaged in providing required data which is sanctioned for release following approval at DSC Contract Management Committee.

7 Relevant Objectives

Impact of the modification on the Relevant Objectives:	
Relevant Objective	Identified impact
a) Efficient and economic operation of the pipe-line system.	None
b) Coordinated, efficient and economic operation of	None
(i) the combined pipe-line system, and/ or	
(ii) the pipe-line system of one or more other relevant gas transporters.	
c) Efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations.	None
d) Securing of effective competition:	None
(i) between relevant shippers;	
(ii) between relevant suppliers; and/or	
(iii) between DN operators (who have entered into transportation arrangements with other relevant gas transporters) and relevant shipp	ers.
e) Provision of reasonable economic incentives for relevant suppliers to secuthat the domestic customer supply security standards are satisfied as respects the availability of gas to their domestic customers.	ure None
f) Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Co	ode. Positive
g) Compliance with the Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Ener Regulators.	

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This Modification provides a more efficient means for the CDSP to release data to LAs consistent with the principle of development of the DPM. This is consistent with other similar changes for the release of Data to identified organisations listed in the DPM, with the actual data to be released to be agreed via the process established by the DSC Contract Management Committee and therefore further Relevant Objective f) Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code.

8 Implementation

As self-governance procedures are proposed, implementation could be sixteen business days after a Modification Panel decision to implement, subject to no Appeal being raised.

9 Legal Text

Text

No Legal Text is required as this is simply an enabling Modification as required by TPD V5.5.2(j)

10 Recommendations

Proposer's Recommendation to Panel

Panel is asked to:

- Agree that self-governance procedures should apply
- Refer this proposal to a Workgroup for assessment.