UNC DSC Change Management Committee Minutes Wednesday 07 September 2022

Via teleconference

Attendees						
Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office	Non-Voting			
Helen Cuin (Secretary)	(HCu)	Joint Office	Non-Voting			
Shipper User Representatives (Voting)	Shipper User Representatives (Voting)					
Claire Louise Roberts	(CM)	E.ON	Class A & Class C Voting			
Oorlagh Chapman	(CM)	Centrica	Class A Voting			
Lisa Saycell	(LS)	Gazprom Energy	Class B Voting			
Vijay Chikoti Alternate for Ross Easton	(RE)	Total Gas & Power	Class B & Class C Voting			
Transporter Representatives (Voting)						
Guv Dosanjh	(GD)	Cadent	DNO Voting			
Ben Mulcahy Alternate for Tom Stuart	(BM)	Northern Gas Networks	DNO Voting			
Bill Goode + Alternate for Richard Loukes	(BG)	National Grid	NTS Voting			
Michelle Brown	(MB)	Energy Assets	IGT Voting			
Kundai Matiringe	(KM)	BUUK	IGT Voting			
CDSP Change Management Representa	tives (N	on-Voting)				
Emma Smith	(ES)	Xoserve				
James Rigby	(JR)	Xoserve				
Paul Orsler	(PO)	Xoserve				
Observers/Presenters (Non-Voting)						
Cathy Mulliss	(CM)	E.ON				
Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent				
Charan Singh	(CS)	Xoserve				
Emma Lyndon	(EL)	Correla on behalf of Xoserve				
Ellie Rogers	(ER)	Xoserve				
Hannah Reddy	(HR)	Xoserve				
James Barlow	(JB)	Xoserve				
John Welch	(JW)	[I am not sure but presun	ne Correla?]			
Karl Davidson	(KD)	Xoserve				
Kate Lancaster	(KL)	Xoserve				
Kathryn Adeseye	(KA)	Xoserve				
Linda Whitcroft	(LW)	Xoserve				
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE				
Michelle Brown	(MB)	Energy Assets				
Molly Hayley	(MH)	Xoserve				
Padmini Duvvuri	(PD)	Xoserve				
Peter Hopkins	(PH)	Xoserve				
Sally Hardman	(SH)	SGN				
Salma Khan	(SK)	National Grid				

Simon Harris	(Sha)	Xoserve
Sharon Dudley	(SD)	Xoserve
Vikki Orsler	(VO)	Xoserve

DSC Change meetings will be quorate where: Committee Representatives of at least three (3) shall be Shipper Representatives and three (3) shall be DNO Representatives, NTS Representatives or IGT Representatives, are present at a meeting who can exercise seven (7) votes.

Please note these minutes do not replicate/include detailed content provided within the presentation slides, therefore it is recommended that the published presentation material is reviewed in conjunction with these minutes. Copies of all papers are available at: <u>https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/dsc-change/070922</u>

1. Introduction

Bob Fletcher (BF) welcomed all to the meeting and confirmed the meeting was quorate.

1.1. Apologies for absence

Richard Loukes, National Grid NTS Ross Easton, Total Gas and Power Tom Stuart, Wales & West Utilities

1.2. Alternates

Bill Goode for Richard Loukes Vijay Chikoti for Ross Easton Ben Mulcahy for Tom Stuart

1.3. Confirm Voting rights

BF confirmed the voting rights as detailed below:

Representative	Classification	Vote Count
Shipper		
Claire Louise Roberts	Shipper Class A & C	2 votes
Oorlagh Chapman	Shipper Class A	1 vote
Lisa Saycell	Shipper Class B	1 vote
Vijay Chikoti (Alternate for Ross Easton)	Shipper Class B & C	2 votes
Transporter		
Guv Dosanjh	DNO	1 vote
Ben Mulcahy (Alternate for Tom Stuart)	DNO	1 vote
Bill Goode + (Alternate for Richard Loukes)	NTS	2 votes
Michelle Brown	IGT	1 vote
Kundai Matiringe	IGT	1 vote

1.4. Approval of Minutes (10 August 2022)

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

1.5. Review of Outstanding Actions

Action 0207: JR (Xoserve) to assess the DSC Change related procedures and documents to ensure they are still fit for purpose. Update: See item 2.3. Carried Forward

0801: Xoserve (JR) to provide a detailed forecast of the general Change Budget in relation to

potential returned funds at the end of the year. Update: See item 2.1. Closed **0802:** Xoserve (ES/JR) to investigate for the CMS Rebuild if a single XRN with a sub prefix of A, B, C etc defining each specific drop would be appropriate, to ensure a consistent approach. **Update:** James Rigby (JR) confirmed this would be appropriate and that an XRN had been created for the CMS rebuild parent XRN and first release. See items 3.2.1 and 3.2.2. **Closed**

2. DSC Change Budget Update & Horizon Planning

2.1. Change Budget Update

For full details please refer to the published presentation.

2.2. BP22 YTD

James Rigby (JR) provided the forecasted Year End Spend for BP22, illustrating a breakdown between parties for the General Change investment budget, confirming that the committed spend had increased since last month by £0.8m - £0.1m following approvals at the August Change Management Committee (ChMC). JR explained that unutilised funds will be rebated at the end of the financial year.

2.3. BP23

James Rigby (JR) provided the BP23 investment budget for consideration and recommendation, with a recap of how this related to previous investments and confirming that the budget has remained relatively static over the last three years. JR provided an update on the PAC funding split, notifying the Committee of a request to increase the PAC ringfenced reporting budget by £50k to £175k along with a request to carry some unused funding forward. JR confirmed the increase is to account for new PAC reports.

No objections were expressed with regards to the draft budget presented and recommended for inclusion in the final budget.

Kundai Matiringe (KM) enquired if there was an update on the Centrica appeal. Oorlagh Chapman (OC) confirmed that Ofgem, Xoserve and Centrica have met to discuss the principles and approach and have asked Xoserve to address these in the business plan, although the meeting did not cover the actual appeal. A further meeting is planned to review the position.

Claire Louise Roberts (CLR) referring to the 3 solution options for Retail Energy Code (REC) changes enquired about the progression of these changes. JR clarified that the investment presented was for the General Change investment budget for approved changes and that the REC changes were not being presented separately for approval until the final draft of the Business Plan was made available.

Following discussions at last month's Committee meeting Ben Mulcahy (BM) and CLR understood that XRN5402 – Impact on potential options for REC Change Management, was going to be presented in September for further discussion.

Simon Harris (SH) reported that the outputs of the REC change have been fed into the Business Plan, and there will be an opportunity through the standard consultation process for the Business Plan to be considered.

Paul Orsler (PO) agreed to provide more information on the impact assessment next month. The provision of further information at the October meeting was welcomed.

It was clarified that the intention will be to review the XRN5402 in October and that the approval will sit within the general budget approval.

2.4. Change Pipeline

Paul Orsler (PO) provided the Change Delivery Pipeline for period August 2022 to December 2023, confirming the major releases for February, June, and November 2023 with firm and indicative implementation dates.

PO provided details of the delivery plan with links to the Change Proposals (CPs), an overview of the change backlog on hold, and changes that have been accepted last month.

For the detailed update, please refer to the published slides.

3. Capture

3.1. New Change Proposals – For Approval

3.1.1. XRN5544 – Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert (AUGE) Management – Independent Review

Ellie Rogers (ER) provided an overview the Change Proposal (CP) raised to appoint a party to provide an independent assessment of the AUGEs compliance. For full details please refer to the published slides and CP.

ER confirmed the funding approval in support of the change was in a separate Business Evaluation Report (BER) (see item 4.2.1)

Shipper Representatives were asked to support the Change Proposal proceeding into the Capture phase. The vote was taken by exception and unanimous approval was recorded as follows:

Voting Outcome:		
Shipper Representatives	Voting Count	For/Against
Claire Louise Roberts	2	For
Oorlagh Chapman	1	For
Lisa Saycell	1	For
Vijay Chikoti + (Alternate for Ross Easton)	2	For
Total	6	For

3.1.2. XRN5555 – Amend existing Large Load Site Reporting

Paul Orsler (PO) provided an overview the CP raised by SGN for de-aggregating information within the large load report and to provide a further breakdown of information for multi-metered sites. For a detailed update, please refer to the published slides and CP.

Ben Mulcahy (BM) requested details of the specific file names, identification of the report and if the additional customer requirements discussed had been included. PO agreed to add this detail to provide the necessary confirmation.

The Distribution Network Operators (DNOs) were asked to support the Change Proposal proceeding into the Capture development phase. The vote was taken by exception and unanimous approval was recorded as follows:

Voting Outcome:		
Transporter Representatives	Voting Count	For
Guv Dosanjh	1	For
Ben Mulcahy	1	For
Total	2	For

3.2. New Change Proposal – For Information

3.2.1. XRN5556 – CMS rebuild parent XRN

Referring to Action 0802 James Rigby (JR) provided an overview the two CMS CPs raised XRN5556 and XRN5556a (item 3.2.2).

For a detailed update, please refer to the published slides and CP.

3.2.2. XRN5556a – First release of new CMS

See above item 3.2.1.

3.2.3. Urgent Modification 0822 - Reform of Gas Demand Side Response Arrangements

Ellie Rogers (ER) wished to advise the Committee that a CP had been raised in support of Urgent Modification 0822 to deliver the central system processes required. For full details of the change please refer to XRN5561 published at: <u>https://www.xoserve.com/change/change-proposals/xrn-5561-reform-of-gas-demand-side-response-dsr-arrangements-modification-0822/</u>

A detailed Change Pack will be provided in due course for further consideration.

Lisa Saycell (LS) enquired if the Committee needed to support/consider planned releases to accommodate the urgent changes. ER confirmed the plan will be to use existing charge types and use existing processes and routes for charging therefore no system changes were expected.

PO wished to note that the change is progressing along the Modification timelines and Committee approval will be sought to comply with the expectations of the Urgent Modification in due course.

4. Design & Delivery

4.1. Detailed Design – For Information

James Rigby (JR) provided the Design Change Pack for information only, covering items 4.1.1 – 4.1.4.

4.1.1. XRN5298 - H100 Fife Project Phase 1

No representations received

Mark Jones (MJ) wished to note there was some confusion and subsequent alarm as a result of the Xoserve Communication as it was not clear about the scope of trial and that I&C sites were excluded. MJ requested this clarification is considered for future communications to ensure it is clear that the trial is for domestic customers only.

4.1.2. XRN5186 – Modification 0701 – Interim Process

No representations received

4.1.3. Notice of Non-Business Days Non-Supply Point System Business Days' Notice Industry Dates – 2023

No representations received.

4.1.4. XRN5200 - Shipper Pack Transition to Data Discovery Platform

One representation received.

4.2. Standalone Change Documents for Approval (BER, CCR, EQR)

4.2.1. BER for XRN5554 - Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert (AUGE) Management – Independent Review

Ellie Rogers (ER) referred to the AUGE independent review item previously discussed provided an on overview of the Business Evaluation Report (BER) raised to request approval of the funding.

It was noted this was not related to a UNC Modification and was a non-regulatory Modification discussed in detail at the AUGE Committee with parties supporting an independent review.

The recommendation to appoint an independent assessor required £90k for the change budget this year and an ongoing uplif of a similar amount for following budget years. Some concern was expressed about approving the funding without further consideration with the constituencies to ensure support. The timing of the approval was considered, to allow further time to consider the funding with constituents.

Due to the implications of deferring the approval until the October Change Committee it was agreed to arrange an extraordinary meeting on 27 September 2022, to allow engagement with other Shippers to ensure support for the costs before approving.

Shipper Representatives supported deferring approval until 27 September. The vote was taken by exception and unanimous approval was recorded to defer approval of the BER as follows:

Voting Outcome:		
Shipper Representatives	Voting Count	For/Against
Claire Louise Roberts	2	For
Oorlagh Chapman	1	For
Lisa Saycell	1	For
Vijay Chikoti + (Alternate for Ross Easton)	2	For
Total	6	For

4.2.2. CCR for XRN5515 – HyDeploy Closedown

Simon Harris (SH) provided an overview of the Change Completion Report (CCR) to confirm closure of the project. For a detailed update, please refer to the published slides.

Shipper and DNOs were asked to support the CCR. The vote was taken by exception and unanimous approval was recorded as follows:

Voting Outcome:	ome:			
Shipper Representatives	Voting Count	For/Against		
Claire Louise Roberts	2	For		
Oorlagh Chapman	1	For		
Lisa Saycell	1	For		
Vijay Chikoti + (Alternate for Ross Easton)	2	For		
Total	6	For		
Transporter Representatives	Voting Count	For		
Guv Dosanjh	1	For		
Ben Mulcahy	1	For		
Total	2	For		

4.3. Project Update

4.3.1. UK Link June 23 Major Release Scope

Peter Hopkins (PH) provided an overview, background, and scope of the June 23 Release, which included XRNs: 5091, 5186 and 5482, confirming that capacity was available for changes materialising post Go Live and PIS for CSSC. For the detailed update, please refer to the published slides.

PO clarified if the scope changes this will be presented back to the group. PH confirmed that the BER will be created with the intent of seeking approval in November.

Shipper, DNO, and IGT Representatives were asked to support the current scope of the release. The vote was taken by exception and unanimous approval was recorded as follows:

Voting Outcome:		
Shipper Representatives	Voting Count	For/Against
Claire Louise Roberts	2	For
Oorlagh Chapman	1	For
Lisa Saycell	1	For
Vijay Chikoti + (Alternate for Ross Easton)	2	For
Total	6	For
Transporter Representatives	Voting Count	For
Guv Dosanjh	1	For
Ben Mulcahy	1	For
Michelle Brown	1	For
Kundai Matiringe	1	For
Total	4	For

4.3.2. XRN5236 - Reporting valid confirmed Theft of Gas into Central Systems (Mod0734)

Linda Whitcroft (LW) provided an overview of the changes required providing the details and options. Having considered the change and resource requirements, LW explained a table summarising the resolution tasks comparing the current and new process. This illustrated a potential need for up to 4 full time equivalent (FTEs) to support the administration process, depending on the option chosen.

Lisa Saycell (LS) enquired about the value of the changes and the benefits of the process. LW explained the workflow required, what work was automated, the required manual inputs and assumptions to be made.

Oorlagh Chapman (OC) challenged if the information was representative as she believed it could be over-stated. The Committee considered the unknown work volumes. CLR noted a request had been made to review resource requirements after 3 months of operation to assess the justification for resources and what would be an appropriate head count for the service.

LS enquired about the increase in workload, the complexities of investigations, the potential risk for delays, and a backlog developing without additional resources. A do-nothing approach utilising the existing resource with regular monitoring progress was considered. LW provided 3 options to utilise the existing resource, increase existing resource by 2 FTEs and increase resources by 3 FTEs. The budget uplift was provided for each option.

The Committee considered a further option of increasing the existing resources by 1 FTE, with monitoring and if deemed necessary a subsequent request/approval to increase resources. For full details of the options please refer to the published slides.

ER explained the option to utilise the current single FTE would not require a BER approval.

Shippers were asked to provide vote on the options presented. Shippers provided split support of the options as follows:

Voting Outcome:		
Shipper Representatives	Voting Count	For/Against
Claire Louise Roberts	2	No increase
Oorlagh Chapman	1	No increase
Lisa Saycell	1	Increase of 1 FTE
Vijay Chikoti + (Alternate for Ross Easton)	2	Increase of 1 FTE
Total	6	

The Committee considered the potential rejection of a BER based on the difference preferences and the ability to represent a BER.

It was agreed that the technical solution would be implemented in October with close monitoring of the process, with the aim of providing an early view/analysis if a backlog builds to assist with a more informative assessment of potential resource requirements.

4.3.3. February 23 Release Update

Peter Hopkins (PH) provided the February 23 Release Dashboard reporting an overall green RAG Status following approval of XRN5533's BER in July.

PH confirmed one risk remains relating to XRN5298 / Modification 0799 and developing at risk until an Ofgem decision is received regarding implementation of Modification 0799.

4.3.4. Dec 21 - April 22 Changes in Design

PH provided the December 2021 – April 2022 Changes in Design summary confirming approval of all Change Packs, except for XRN5298 which is pending Modification implementation.

4.3.5. XRN5231 Provision of a FWACV Service

Karl Davidson (KD) provided the Dashboard, reporting a Go Live date of 01 September 2022, with no significant issues in the PIS period.

4.3.6. NG Horizon Plan

Hannah Reddy (HR) provided an updated National Grid Transmission Change Horizon Plan. All work was on track, with no red areas.

4.3.7. Data Discovery Platform (DDP) Update

John Welch (JW) provided an overview of the DDP update, drawing attention to themes/areas of interest, the Roadmap, the Shipper Delivery Packs and changes in flight for Release 3.

For details of the themes, roadmap and items in flight, please refer to the published slides.

5. Non-DSc Change Budget Impacting Programmes

5.1. CSSC Programme Update

Emma Lyndon (EL) provided an update on the CSSC Programme, advising the Programme was green across all key areas and continues to be in a healthy state. EL provided an overview of the issues addressed and communications issued to industry participants, confirming the fix for the File Sequence Numbering will be taking place in November.

EL reminded parties about the Ofgem PMO Team have requested confidence statements and the programme's exit criteria. EL noted an issue with the secured active messaging service management support arrangement recognising the need for tighter control.

Bill Goode (BG) enquired about the 148 historical gate closure messages. EL confirmed a reconciliation will be undertaken on the secure active messages. BG asked if there may be impacts to downstream systems. EL clarified a forward fix had been implemented but there will be downstream processes impacted by missing messages. Updates will be provided from the reconciliation exercise.

For a detailed update, please refer to the published slides.

5.2. CMS Rebuild Update

Padmini Duvvuri (PD) provided an overview of the Portal status, confirming portal phase 1 had stabilised and moved to Business-as-Usual levels of service for GES.

PD also confirmed a post-implementation review had been undertaken and decision made to move the migration dates to October.

The test environment will be available between 19 September and 30 September 2022 for external testing, and PD encouraged parties to register to ensure smooth transition.

All users will be contacted in coming weeks for trouble shooting support if needed.

Linda Whitcroft (LW) provided a progress update on the MNC which will be delivered as a soft launch to the Customer Focus Group at the beginning of October. LW confirmed that Change Packs will continue to be published to ensure customers are aware of any changes. The transition arrangements will be agreed and communicated.

LW provided a link to the CMS Rebuild webpage (<u>https://www.xoserve.com/products-services/data-products/contact-management-service-cms/cms-rebuild-product/</u>) to register for future Customer Focus Groups.

LW also provided an overview of the Product Delivery Roadmap detailing summarising the release content. For details, please refer to the published slides.

6. Any Other Business

6.1. Modification 0651- Retrospective Data Update Provisions, Recap of Solution and Proposed Next Steps

Paul Orsler (PO) provided an update on the current position of XRN4914, UNC Modification 0651 - Changes to the Retrospective Data Update provisions. In order to progress with a compliant solution, a design project team will need to be mobilised to work with customers on the detailed design. The costs and timescales will be shared with DSC Customers in due course. Further clarity on the future changes will be provided with the intention to issue an EQR to the October Committee to approve the funds for the design phase.

PO provided a recap of the Solution and an overview of the proposed next steps, explaining that the solution is likely to cost between £1.797 and £2.398m with a delivery cycle of between 18-24 months, requiring a standalone full major release.

PO wished to note the potential for a Modification to be raised to carve out the changes due to be implemented under Modification 0651, it was anticipated that a pre-Modification discussion will be held at the September Distribution Workgroup.

The Committee considered the significant expertise required for the design phase and the ability to obtain a view from the Uniform Network Code Committee (UNCC) on completing implementation should a modification be raised to stop implementation of modification 0651. It was recognised that the focus of the changes may have changed since an implementation decision was given. This was in part created by the implementation of CSSC and subsequent changes to the industry changing the landscape, which would benefit from further consideration.

7. Diary Planning

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

Time/Date	Meeting Paper Deadline	Venue	Programme
10:00 Tuesday 27 September 2022	19 September 2022	Microsoft Teams	Extra-Ordinary Meeting - BER approval XRN5554
10.00 Wednesday 12 October 2022	03 October 2022	Microsoft Teams	Standard Agenda
10.00 Wednesday 09 November 2022	31 October 2022	Microsoft Teams	Standard Agenda
10.00 Wednesday 07 December 2022	28 November 2022	Microsoft Teams	Standard Agenda

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Min Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0207	13/07/22	2.1	JR (Xoserve) to assess the DSC Change related procedures and documents to ensure they are still fit for purpose.	Xoserve (JR)	Carried forward
0801	10/08/22	2.1	Xoserve (JR) to provide a detailed forecast of the general Change Budget in relation to potential returned funds at the end of the year.	Xoserve (JR)	Closed
0802	10/08/22	4.0	Xoserve (ES/JR) to investigate for the CMS Rebuild if a single XRN with a sub prefix of A, B, C etc defining each specific drop would be appropriate, to ensure a consistent approach.	Xoserve (JR/ES)	Closed

Action Table (as of 07 September 2022)