Report for Network Code Committee

June 2006

Demand Estimation Sub-Committee

Meetings Held

5 June 2006

Planned

25 July 2006 - 51 Homer Road, Solihull

Matters for Network Code Committee's Attention

Draft terms of reference which would require UNCC approval have been discussed by DESC, and will be reconsidered at the July DESC meeting.

Matters discussed

1. Spring analysis of algorithm performance and review of EUC definitions and demand models was presented by xoserve on behalf of the Transporters.

The recommendations were:

1. For small NDMs:-

- continued exclusion of Industrial and Commercial sample data from EUC Band 1
- continuation of the present EUC Bands 2 and 4
- continuation of analysis by LDZ

2. For large NDM EUC bands, geographic aggregation consistent with the existing analysis.

3. Retention of model smoothing

The NDM Algorithm Proposals would be made available on the UK Link Documentation section of xoserve.com web site by 30 June. Users were reminded that to gain access registration via the IS Service Centre was necessary.

2. Matters arising from Spring analysis.

User representatives requested data on the percentage of NDM throughput that has been allocated to EUC bands 7 and 8. This would aid User consideration of potentially seeking to lower the DM threshold.

3. Weather station changes.

Uncertainty regarding potential closure of the central London weather station was discussed. Transporters agreed to progress analysis if the need arose to switch to Heathrow and also to explore, in outline, the implications of a suggestion to use multiple weather stations when assessing Composite Weather Variables.