

Report for Network Code Committee

Month April 2005

Work stream: UK-LINK Committee

Meeting Held

Thursday 21st April 2005 1.00 p.m. at 23 Buckingham Gate, SW1.

Next Planned Meeting

Thursday 19th May 2005 1.00 pm. at 10 Old Bailey, EC4M 7NG

Topics discussed connected with any UKLINK Change Requests or UNC Modifications

Changes Awaiting Scheduling.

- No Changes since last meeting

Changes Approved Scheduled for Implementation.

- Mod Number 687 RT_N10_Revenue_Share_Adjustment_RecordAdditional Allowed Reason Types (NTE File Format) given a Gemini change number of 1714.

Changes Implemented since last UKLink Committee Meeting

- Change Number 13491 (PURF – 'PRF' to be shown as supplier id on S75 & K13 files) was implemented on 14/04/05.

Changes Withdrawn

- No Change request withdrawn this month

Changes or Modifications Discussed

- Proposed modification MOD 738 – Additional Gemini API's
 - Caroline Purcell (NGT) stated that high-level analysis had taken place. Mick Curtis (E=MC2) confirmed he would raise a change request before 19th May.
For further information please contact Roy Leddy or Mark Nicholson.
- Change Request 12494 – Addition of prevailing AQ and EUC information within CSEP Invoice
 - David Addison (NGT) informed the committee that analysis has been carried out. Scope will be ratified with Scottish Power.
Mark Pitchford (Scottish Power) requested that these discussions take place prior to the next UKLink Committee Meeting (19th May).

- Modification numbers 683, 689 and 690 - Network Code Reading Modifications and CTP Modifications 741 and 742

Xoserve provided an update.

Implementation details were discussed and a tentative implementation date of November 2005 was identified.

- Modification number 687 – RT_N10_Revenue_Share_Adjustment_Record Additional Allowed Reason Codes
 - Caroline Purcell (NGT) gave the following statement.
NTE File - RT_N10_Revenue_Share_Adjustment_Record
The Revenue_Share_Flag field includes, but will not be limited to the following reason type codes & descriptions, these reason types were not previously notified to the shipper community.

Reason type	Description
A	Locational Trade Buy Neutrality value
I	Locational Trade Sell Neutrality value
J	Physical Renomination Incentive Neutrality value

Other Discussions

- David Addison (NGT) informed the committee that Billing file formats have been changed due to Blackwater changes. However one field needs to be addressed – INV_REMITTANCE, were the format of the example is not consistent with the field formatting. RA1,2,3 and 4 needs to be re-issued, structure is correct but description that includes alpha characters needs to be addressed
- IX Replacement. Caroline Purcell (NGT) stated that NGT are still trying to baseline this project. The scheduled end date of the IX replacement is September 11th 2005 in time for the release of Gemini phase 2. Roll out plan not available at this stage. The plan will be issued as soon as it is available.
Martin Brandt (SSE) requested feedback to be circulated from users that have already been migrated.

Proposed Sale of Networks

- No Further update given at this meeting.

Gemini Update

- No update given, although the latest Gemini Shipper Fortnightly Progress Summary can be found under Appendix A at the end of this report.

Appendix A

Gemini – Shipper Fortnightly Progress Summary for Weeks Ending: 8th April 2005

Gemini	Previous Status	Green	Current Status	Green
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Summary

In preparation for movement into API Early View Shipper Trials, further progress has been shared with the community on the detail of Connectivity Testing, Early View/API Trials and the Shipper Acceptance Criteria via the publication of an Issue Classification Approach document.

Progress This Period

1. Shipper Forum held on the 5th April covered the Issue Classification Approach, Connectivity Testing Report, Early View Trials Participation Pack, API System Testing Report, Issues Log and MPLS.
2. Concerns were raised over the Issue Classification Approach, with regard to issues that would not be completed by the Gemini Project. Xoserve were present and responded that Gemini Project resources would be involved Post implementation.
3. A meeting with the Market Operator to finalise Readiness Document to enable successful implementation of Gemini was held on 7th April 2005.
4. Increased efforts to engage the Shipper Community may account for representatives from four companies who have not previously attended a Shipper Forum being amongst the total 32 Shipper attendees.
5. UCT has been extended by one week, resulting in Acceptance Criteria 2.1.2 being postponed. [AC 2.1.2: UCT has been completed and a report has been sent to Shippers, including all outstanding defects and a plan for resolution, one week before Early View Shipper Trials commences] An interim communication for progressing into Early View Shipper Trials was circulated via e-mail on 8th April.
6. The Early View API Trials Participant Pack has been distributed to inform Shippers of the Support arrangements and user id process.
7. Joining instructions have been sent out to delegates who have booked courses from the Training Schedule

Plans for Next Period

1. The Early View Shipper Trials are due to start on Monday 11th April.
2. Training begins on Monday 18th April with Train-the-Trainer courses to start the following week.
3. Gemini update provided for UK-Link Committee meeting Thursday 21st April.
4. Shipper Procedures nearing completion for publication at the end of April.
5. The Shipper User/Training Manual due for publication on the Gemini website

Key Shipper Facing Milestone Summary Status

Milestone	Target Date	Status
Pilot External Gemini Training Course	23/03/2005	Completed
Shipper Working Group	23/03/2005	Completed
Shipper Forum	05/04/2005	Completed
Phase 1 API Testing Start	11/04/2005	On Target to include a number of the originally intended Phase 2 APIs
User Confidence Testing (UCT) Completion	18/04/2005	Extended by one week, completion planned for 25/04/05
Deliver External End User Gemini training	18/04/2005	On Target
Deliver External Train the Trainer Gemini training	25/04/2005	On Target
Phase 2 API Testing start	09/05/2005	On Target
External Shippers Delivering Own Training	16/05/2005	On Target
Shipper Trial Start	13/06/2005	On Target
UK Link Committee Approval of File formats	16/06/2005	On Target
Implementation Date	18/10/2005	On Target

Risks/Issues

None

Changes to RAG Status

None