Xoserve FGO

Monthly update 27 August 2015

FGO programme update – Executive summary

The FGO programme continued to progress throughout August.

Dentons legal advice on potential amendments to Section 6.5 of Section V of the UNC was discussed at POB on 31 July and 14 August. Intention is to table a modification at the October UNC modifications board.

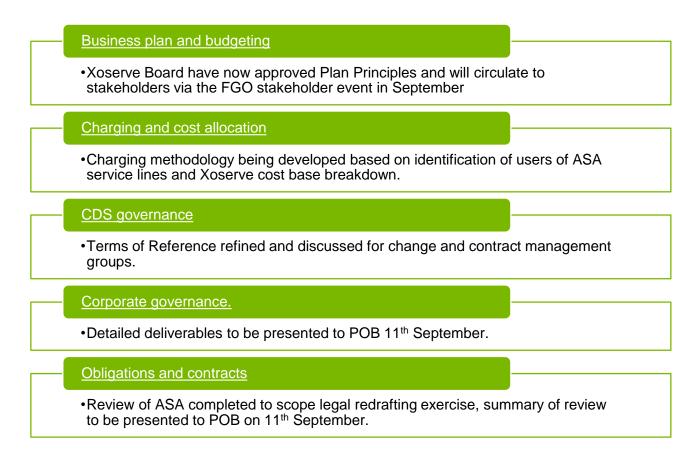
<u>A paper setting out the proposed FGO implementation plan</u> for April 2016 and thereafter has been endorsed by POB and sent to Ofgem on 19th August.

FGO stakeholder event will be held in London on 25th September (invite sent out alongside this update). This will give an opportunity for the gas industry to engage with the FGO implementation plan.

<u>Xoserve Business Plan Principles</u> have been approved by the Xoserve board, and will be made available for stakeholders via the stakeholder event.

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FGO workgroups continue to develop detailed FGO deliverables. Highlights are:



FGO programme update – August 2015 activities

Work area	Update
POB meetings	31 st July meeting
	Group discussed draft paper setting out proposed FGO implementation plan for April 2016 onwards.
	Group discussed arrangements for the September stakeholder event.
	 Group discussed Dentons advice around new legal construct to replace existing contractual arrangements (Agency Services Agreement) with a Data Services Contract between Xoserve and users, supported by UNC obligations.
	14 th August meeting
	 Further discussion on Dentons legal advice on potential amendments to Section 6.5 of Section V of the UNC to develop a preferred option. It is planned to develop an option to put before the October UNC modifications board.
	 KPMG presented revised draft of FGO implementation plan paper, taking on board POB members' comments. This paper was submitted by the POB Chair to Ofgem for consideration on 24th August. This document will form the basis for the September stakeholder event.
	• The group discussed plans for the September stakeholder event, including agenda and event format.
	Next meeting on 11 th September

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Work area	Update
Business plan and budgeting	No further workgroup meetings held
	Xoserve have finalised their Business Plan Principles.
	September stakeholder event will be used to communicate Business Plan Principles with industry, plus other routes such as Sharepoint site, Xoserve and Joint Office websites.
	Aim is for all parties to provide feedback on the interim process as it progresses, with a further workgroup planned for late September.
Charging and cost	Workgroups held on 27 th July, 10 th August and 24 th August, plus bilateral KPMG/ Xoserve meeting on 5 th August
allocation	 Xoserve provided a more granular breakdown of its cost base, with costs allocated to groups of service lines.
	 Group identified ASA service lines where services users could be identified at a high level, and identified and worked through areas of the ASA where users could only be identified at an indvidual service line level.
	Group discussed approaches for allocating costs between users (e.g. supply point basis).
	This work will form the basis for a revised draft cost allocation and charging methodology, to be presented to next workgroup.
	Next workgroup on 21 st September – Birmingham

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Work area	Update
Governance - CDS	 Workgroup on 27th July Workgroup reviewed the draft terms of reference for the contract management and change management groups, which had been standardised and consolidated by KPMG following previous workgroup meeting. Contracts and Obligations workgroup on 10th August discussed potential drafting changes and potential modifications to existing KPIs and/or management information. The interaction between change and contract management groups and the UK Link committee was also discussed. Contracts and Obligations workgroup on 24th August discussed the interaction of change and contract management groups with UK Link Committee. Next workgroup on 21 st September – Birmingham

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Governance - Corporate	 Workgroup held on 17th August Group discussed detail underlying proposals in implementation plan. Matters raised included: Potential for review of new board arrangements; Arrangements for ensuring board has sufficient specialist expertise; Board subcommittee arrangements; and Remuneration and performance management. KPMG to develop detailed draft deliverables for corporate governance for discussion at POB.
	11 th September POB to discuss draft deliverables.
UNC obligations and contracts	 Workgroups held 10 August and 17 August. Discussions at POB 31st July and 14th August The GTs have been working with Dentons to seek a legal view on amendments to Section 6.5 of Section V of the UNC, and a number of other associated modifications. The aim is to commence the UNC modifications process at the October modifications board and move to implement FGO. Dentons advice has been discussed at POB on 31st July and 14th August. Contracts and Obligations workgroups have been reviewing schedules of the ASA to identify where significant redrafting will be required in order to implement FGO and to inform the drafting instructions for the legal review. A first review of all service lines has now been completed: a summary of this work will be presented to POB on 11th September.

Further information

Meeting dates and locations are available on the Joint Office website

All POB, workgroup and programme materials are available on the FGO SharePoint site

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