

UNC Workgroup 0520 and 0520A Minutes Performance Assurance Reporting

Wednesday 21 October 2015

Energy UK, Charles House, 5-11 Regent Street, London SW1Y 4LR

Attendees

Andrew Margan	(AMa)	British Gas
Angela Love	(AL)	ScottishPower
Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Colette Baldwin	(CB)	E.ON
David Mitchell	(DM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Edd Hunter	(EH)	RWE npower
John Welch	(JW)	RWE npower
Jonathan Kiddle	(JK)	EDF Energy
Karen Visgarda (Secretary)	(KV)	Joint Office
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	DONG Energy
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Matt Jackson	(MJa)	British Gas
Rachel Hinsley	(RH)	Xoserve
Richard Pomroy*	(RP)	Wales & West Utilities

*via teleconference

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The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 17 December 2015.

1.0 Review of Minutes and Action

1.1. Minutes (01 October 2015)

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

1.2. Action(s)

Action 1001: British Gas (AMa) to amend the solution in the modification regarding the pre and post Nexus Implementation dates and to clarify which reports can be produced prior to Nexus Go Live and post Nexus Go Live.

Update: AMa explained that these amendments had now been completed and the Workgroup agreed this action could now be closed. **Closed**

2.0 Review Draft Reports Guidance Document/Register

Performance Assurance Reporting Register Document – 0520 and 0520A

AMa provided an update of the minor amendments to this document with regards to creating pre and post Nexus reports set out in Schedule 1 and Schedule 2 respectively, as requested in the last meeting on 01 October 2015. He also stated that no alterations had been made to the content of the reports.

The Workgroup reviewed these amendments and then concluded the areas regarding Modification 0520.

CB explained that she had raised the Alternate Modification 0520A due to the fact she had concerns regarding the reporting principles, in relation to where the reports would be published. CB stated that she did not feel it was appropriate for the reports to be available on a public website and accessible in the wider public domain.

AMa stated that until Modifications 0506/0506A were implemented there would be no PAFA and that the reports would continue to be published on the Xoserve website. RP stated that there did not seem to be any difference in the solutions, between the two modifications. CB confirmed that was correct, however, CB wanted to highlight the fact the differences were regarding the content of the reports themselves and the publishing criteria. RP also suggested that in terms of the Legal Text requirements, there were no material differences in the Business Rules or the Solution sections, and that the Proposers may find it difficult to explain to the industry and Panel that these were true alternatives. AL stated that the question regarding where the reports were published had been discussed previously and that this was an important area and needed to be correctly confirmed.

AMa confirmed that it was not his intention that the completed reports would be published on the Joint Office website, the comment in the schedule refers to the report templates.

The Workgroup discussed the report publishing aspect at length and both AMa and CB agreed they would change the wording in both of the modifications stating the completed reports would only be published on a restricted Xoserve portal and only be available to UNC Parties. RP questioned to whom should the reports go (in both 0520 and 0520A) and whether these were all Gas Transporters, Shippers and Traders, which is what the modifications both stated. Further wording changes to the Performance Assurance Reporting Register Document were debated and AMa and CB confirmed these amendments would be actioned.

The Workgroup discussed the differences between Schedules 1 and 2, within both modifications and CB stated that there was very little difference between them and that both were pre and post Nexus. JK stated the main difference was regarding the 'read received report' and that each modification had these set out in a different format. CB explained that the information was the same, just presented in a different format. General discussion took place regarding the format and the AL asked if AMa would be happy to give Xoserve the option of changing the format. MJa stated that British Gas had been working closely with Xoserve and that Andy Miller had confirmed the format detailed in Modification 0520 was suitable, and that Xoserve had requested the information should be presented within the 'table format'. CB confirmed she had not changed the requirements for 0520A, but that she had just changed the presentation format.

CB explained that the main difference was that she had added 'Year 1' into point 1.4 regarding the reports for Xoserve to produce, as she felt it did not make sense not to have this data captured when Year 2 onwards was captured. RH explained that this had been discussed previously and that producing data for 'Year 1' was a long and involved process for Xoserve to undertake. A lengthy discussion took place within the Workgroup and it was felt that having 'Year 1' data would be beneficial. AMa stated that Ofgem had requested that this data should be included and so, this had been added into Schedule 2 for 0520.

The Workgroup discussed the format this data should be presented in, and the impacts of having it in a percentage or numerical format. It was felt if the data was in a percentage format this would not give any comprehension of scale, and alternatively if a numerical format was used, this could be split by EUC Band, so would not show the portfolio of the Shippers. The Workgroup felt that having the data presented in the EUC Band numerically would be more informative than in a percentage format. LL proposed having two formats, one for the PAC, which identified Shipper performance and an anonymised version for the industry as a whole, especially in relation to the pre and post Nexus data reporting. LL also stated this would help to elevate the risk element of commercially sensitive information becoming available to an incorrect audience, together with using the pre Nexus data, as a starting point. CB agreed and thought this was a good idea and explained she would amend 0520A Schedule 2 to accommodate this.

Further debate took place within the Workgroup regarding a percentage or numerical format and the issue of anonymised and un-anonymised data. CB stated that perhaps a 'Dashboard View' could be supplied to the Shippers with a more granular content, and

that Xoserve could produce an unanonymised version for the PAFA. MJ proposed that it could be possible to work out 'who was who' from a numerical anonymised format, if the numbers were sufficiently manipulated, however, he stated that due to the mixed size portfolios of the Shippers in the industry, this would be difficult.

CB explained that she did not want to rush the completion of the report for this area, as she felt it was very important and warranted more thought and consideration. Both AMa and CB agreed they would amend the wording in both modifications regarding the commercial sensitivity with regards to anonymised data within the reports. LL suggested the Workgroup should investigate how the Electricity industry approaches this area and manages the associated risks.

CB stated she would discuss the reports with Andy Miller at Xoserve to gain clarification in readiness for the next meeting.

BF and the Workgroup attendees agreed that another meeting was required to further clarify and then complete the Workgroup Report content, in order to submit the Workgroup Report at the November Panel.

3.0 Review of Amended Modification Consider Cost Estimate - 0520

AMa gave an overview of the amendments within the Business Rules and Solution sections for Modification 0520, concerning the pre and post Nexus implementation.

4.0 Completion of Workgroup Report

In light of the discussions undertaken in Section 2 above, this was deferred until 05 November 2015.

5.0 Next Steps

Completion of the Workgroup Report.

6.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary

Workgroup meetings are scheduled to take place as follows:

Time/Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:30, Thursday 05 November 2015	Energy UK, Charles House, 5-11 Regent Street, London SW1Y 4LR	Completion of Workgroup Report Review Legal Text

Action Table (21 October 2015)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
1001	01/1015	2.0	British Gas (AMa) to amend the solution in the modification regarding the pre and post Nexus Implementation dates and to clarify which reports can be produced prior to Nexus Go Live and post Nexus Go Live.	British Gas (AMa)	Closed