

UNC Distribution Workgroup Minutes
Thursday 23 April 2015
at ENA, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road,
London SW1P 2AF

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Mike Berrisford (Secretary)	(MB)	Joint Office
Alex Ross-Shaw	(ARS)	Northern Gas Networks
Andy Clasper	(AC)	National Grid Distribution
Andrew Margan	(AM)	British Gas
Chris Warner	(CW)	National Grid Distribution
Colette Baldwin	(CB)	E.ON UK
David Mitchell	(DM)	Scotia Gas Networks
Gareth Davies*	(GD)	National Grid NTS
Hilary Chapman	(HC)	Xoserve
Kirandeep Samra	(KS)	Npower
Kirsten Elliott-Smith	(KES)	Cornwall Energy
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	DONG Energy
Mark Jones*	(MJ)	SSE
Mark Lyndon*	(ML)	National Grid NTS
Paul Saker*	(PS)	EDF Energy

* via teleconference

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1. Introduction and Status Review**1.1. Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

1.2. Actions

DX0202: *Reference Transfer of Meter Points between iGTs and GTs - Xoserve (DA) to clarify discussions around how readings should be provided (i.e. estimated read provisions etc.), as undertaken within other forum (i.e. PN Workgroup & UKLC).*

Update: HC explained that after requesting feedback at the previous meeting, nothing has been provided to Xoserve about the proposed process. CB pointed out that she had previously provided feedback when the 'original' incident took place.

When asked, HC indicated that Xoserve could/would look to provide an example process based on E.ON's previous feedback in time for consideration at the July meeting. **Carried Forward**

DX0203: *Reference Transfer of Meter Points between iGTs and GTs – All parties to consider requirements and provide feedback.*

Update: As per the discussion on action DX0202 above. **Carried Forward**

DX0301: Reference Treatment of New Meter Installations which occur prior to the Confirmation Date – Xoserve (DA) to run a report that identifies both the 1st installation (fix) date and the 1st registration date.

Update: Please refer to item 4.2 below. **Closed**

1.3. Modification(s) with Ofgem

In the absence of an Ofgem representative, consideration deferred.

1.4. Pre-Modification discussions

There were no pre-modification discussions at today's meeting.

2. Workgroups

The following Workgroup meetings took place:

2.1. 0468 – Unique Property Reference Number (UPRN) Population by Gas Transporters

(Report to Panel 21 May 2015)

www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0468

2.2. 0509 – Permission to release Protected Information to an Authorised Third Party for Performance Assurance settlement risk analysis

(Report to Panel 18 June 2015)

www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0509

2.3. 0518S – Shipper Verification of meter and address details following system meter removals

(Report to Panel 18 June 2015)

www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0518

2.4. 0522 (0479A) - Inclusion of email as a valid UNC communication

(Report to Panel 16 July 2015)

www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0522

2.5. 0523S – Supply Point Registration – Facilitation of 'faster switching' for Shared Supply Meter Points

(Report to Panel 16 July 2015)

www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0523

3. Issues

3.1. New Issues

No new issues raised.

4. Any Other Business

4.1. UNC Modification 0526 – Identification of Supply Meter Point pressure tier update

HC confirmed that the matter is still being considered by the Xoserve Process Team, and explained that discussions around the solution requirements remain ongoing.

When asked when a dedicated Workgroup meeting should/could be arranged to progress this matter, HC suggested that subject to information confirmation, the

May meeting would be suitable – this will now be formally placed on the May meeting agenda.

4.2. The Treatment of New Meter Installations which occur prior to the Confirmation Date

Referring back to action DX0301, HC explained that the ‘typical’ lead time between the 1st installation (fix) date and the 1st registration date averages out at 24 days, with a range of 1 to 199 days).

HC explained that this is consistent with the provisions UNC TPD Section G7.3.7. Supporting this, CW questioned whether there was really an issue around the treatment of new meter installations that occur prior to the Confirmation Date. CB suggested that the issue probably relates to the potential for parties to influence their capacity/commodity charges by switching timings around. CW pointed out that the ‘industry’ has discussed the matter of registration of capacity at great length in the past.

In quoting TPD Section 7.3.7, CW explained that he believes that this sufficiently ‘covers off’ Gazprom’s concerns and pointed out that from a Code perspective the Registered User is on the hook for ALL charges from the meter fix date onwards and should Gazprom wish to change this, they would need to raise a UNC modification in order to do so.

4.3. Increasing Capacity via Re-Confirmation & Increasing Capacity via Re-Confirmation If Site is Subject to Ratchets – Gazprom presentation

In the absence of a Gazprom representative, it was agreed to defer consideration until the May Workgroup meeting.

5. Diary Planning

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

Workgroup meetings will take place as follows:

Time/Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:30 Thursday 28 May 2015	31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT	Standard Workgroup considerations plus 0468, 0509, 0518S, 0522 (0479A) & 0523S.
10:30 Thursday 25 June 2015	ENA, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF	<i>To be confirmed</i>
10:30 Thursday 23 July 2015	31 Homer Road, Solihull, B91 3LT	<i>To be confirmed</i>

Action Table

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
DX0202	26/02/2015	4.4	<i>Reference Transfer of Meter Points between iGTs and GTs - Xoserve (DA) to clarify discussions around how readings should be provided (i.e. estimated read provisions etc.), as undertaken within other forum (i.e. PN Workgroup & UKLC).</i>	Xoserve (DA)	Carried Forward
DX0203	26/02/2015	4.4	<i>Reference Transfer of Meter Points between iGTs and GTs – All parties to consider requirements and provide feedback.</i>	All	Carried Forward
DX0301	26/03/2015	4.3	<i>Reference Treatment of New Meter Installations which occur prior to the Confirmation Date - Xoserve (DA) to run a report that identifies both the 1st installation (fix) date and the 1st registration date.</i>	Xoserve (DA)	Update provided. Closed