Joint Office of Gas Transporters

Uniform Network Code Committee

Minutes of the 129th Meeting held on Thursday 20 November 2014

at ENA, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF

Attendees

Voting Members:

Shipper Representatives	Transporter Representatives	
A Green (AG), Total	C Warner (CW), National Grid Distribution	
A Margan (AMa), British Gas	E Melen (EM), Scotia Gas Networks	
C Hill (CH), Cooperative Energy	J Ferguson (JF), Northern Gas Networks	
P Broom (PM), GDF Suez	R Pomroy (RP), Wales & West Utilities	
R Fairholme (RF), E.ON UK	R Hewitt (RH), National Grid NTS	

Non-Voting Members:

Chairman	Ofgem Representative	Consumer Representative
L Jenkins (LJ), Joint Office	A Rooney (AR), Ofgem	

Also in Attendance:

A Clasper (AC), National Grid Distribution; A Corkhill* (AC), ENI; A Shrigley* (AS) ENI; C Alexander (CA), Citizens Advice; F Cottam (FC), Xoserve; G Evans* (GE), WatersWye; H Chapman (HC), Xoserve; K Elliott-Smith (KES), Cornwall Energy; R Fletcher (RF), Secretary; R Johnson (RJ), Wingas and S Witter (SW) ENI

* by teleconference

129.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting

E Melen for A Musgrave (Scotia Gas Networks) R Pomroy for S Edwards (Wales & West Utilities)

129.2 Apologies for Absence

A Musgrave and S Edwards.

129.3 Minutes and Actions from the previous meeting

The Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

129.4 <u>Matters for the Committee's Attention</u>

a) 2015/16 Allocation of Unidentified Gas process

FC presented an overview for the publication of the AUG table in October with final values being published in February.

In addition, FC was seeking views on the approach for 2016/17, as it would cross over the implementation date of UK Link replacement planned for October 2015. The AUGE would be preparing in January/February 2015 for 2016/17, however these requirements fall away with the implementation of UK Link replacement systems later that year. The preferred option would be to roll over the previous years values for an interim period of 6 months following implementation of UK Link systems.

PB questioned what would happen if the UK Link implementation timetable changed or if Modifications 0473 0473A were implemented. FC advised that the transition would need to be managed based on a modification being implemented, the date changing or both, these options would require consideration once fully understood.

PB asked how this process would impact the AUGE contractual arrangements. FC advised that they could provide instructions to manage the process with the AUGE but they were not in a position to explain the detail of their specific contractual arrangements. AM asked if the aim is not to spend money on developing a table development that isn't needed. This was confirmed as the aim, although the value is not significant when compared with other industry projects.

PB asked if the analysis used to develop the table for 2016/17 could then be used should either Modifications 0473 or 0473A be implemented. FC advised that the baseline would change with the implementation of UK Link replacement systems so it is unlikely the analysis would be of significant benefit.

JF advised that it is a transporter obligation to provide the table, so a pragmatic solution may be for them to be in breach the Code with the support of the UNCC, so that the table is not provided.

AM asked if the outputs from Modification 0513 would be available for December Panel. AR advised that the aim was to provide an update to Panel around that time so this may influence options.

New Action UNCC129/01: FC to provide a view on the approach to manage the transition from the current AUG process and whether a modification is required. Report to the December UNCC.

129.5 Any Other Business

None raised.

129.6 Next Meeting

Thursday 18 December 2014, at the ENA, immediately after the UNC Modification Panel meeting.

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
UNCC 129/01	20/11/14	128.4	To provide a view on the approach to manage the transition from the current AUG process and whether a modification is required.	Xoserve (FC)	Pending (report to December UNCC)
UNCC 129/02	20/11/14		To request the UKLC to engage with the UKLIEF to consider how to manage industry readiness and go-live assurance for the implementation for Project Nexus Action transferred from Modification Panel 20 November	UKLC	Pending (report to January UNCC)

Action Table – UNCC