Joint Office of Gas Transporters

Uniform Network Code Committee Minutes of the 141st Meeting held on Thursday 19 November 2015 ENA, Dean Bradley House, 52 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 2AF Attendees

Voting Members:

Shipper Representatives	Transporter Representatives
A Green (AG), Total	A Ross-Shaw (ARS), Northern Gas Networks
G Jack (GJ), British Gas	C Warner (CW), National Grid Distribution
P Broom (PM), GDF Suez	E Melen (EM), Scotia Gas Networks
R Fairholme (RF), E.ON UK	F Healy (FH), National Grid NTS
S Mulinganie (SM), Gazprom	R Pomroy (RP), Wales & West Utilities

Non-Voting Members:

Chairman	Ofgem Representative	Consumer Representative
A Plant (AP), Chair		

Also in Attendance:

F Cottam (FC), Xoserve; H Chapman (HC), Xoserve; K Elliott-Smith (KES), Cornwall Energy; L Jenkins (LJ), Joint Office; M Downes* (MD), Xoserve; R Fletcher (RF), Secretary and Sue Hilbourne (SH), Scotia Gas Networks.

^{*} by teleconference

141.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting

A Ross Shaw for J Ferguson (Northern Gas Networks)

G Jack for A Margan (British Gas)

141.2 Apologies for Absence

A Margan

J Ferguson

141.3 Minutes and Actions from the previous meeting

The Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Action 0902: All UNCC Sub-Committees to review their Terms of Reference to ensure they are delivering an annual report to the UNCC.

Update: BF provided an overview of the UNCC subcommittees, their roles and recent meetings and proposed that this table is updated on a regular basis. Members agreed updates should be provided on a quarterly basis. Next update to be provided at the February 2016 meeting.

Closed

141.4 Matters for the Committee's Attention

a) New AUGE arrangements under Modification 0473: update

FC provided a presentation concerning the model to be adopted for the AUGE selection based on the criteria and terms of reference established at previous UNCC meetings. FC advised that the evaluation panel has been established to aid the section process and meeting dates had provisionally been agreed. The OJEU notice has been issued and a pre questionnaire produced for initial enquiries.

FC advised that regular brief updates would be provided as the procurement process continues.

b) Proposed Amendment to the AUGE Guidelines document 'Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert'

GJ presented a number of proposed changes to the framework document for discussion and approval.

SM was concerned that the changes proposed were not just house keeping changes and were more material in nature. He felt that that perhaps these should be progressed by a modification so that an industry view could be obtained. He was concerned that the proposed changes to the timetable could reduce the amount of time available to Shippers to present the AUG information to consumers.

Some members were concerned that more clarity should be required prior to amendment of the guidelines to ensure the changes - and potential impacts - were fully understood.

FC was concerned that the review process may impact the procurement process and clarity is required soon.

LJ confirmed the correct governance process for these guidelines is through the UNCC by majority vote.

AP requested that members vote by show of hands on whether the guidelines should be amended as proposed:

Members determined by majority vote against amending the guidelines as follows:

Votes for: GJ;

Votes against: AG, PB RF, SM, ARS, CW, EM and RP;

Abstentions FH.

c) Implementation of Modification 0466AV - Daily Meter Reading Simplification (with improved within day data provision)

Consideration deferred to the December meeting.

d) UNC Supplemental Documents

MD introduced a number of UNC related documents that had been reviewed by the Project Nexus Workgroup and amended where necessary to meet the requirements of the new arrangements. In addition one document had been updated to take into account changes implemented prior to Project Nexus and this document was then updated with the Project Nexus changes. A number of related documents are proposed to be withdrawn as they will no longer be relevant.

Approval is sought to either withdrawn or implement the amended UNC related documents on the Project Nexus Implementation Date in line with the proposed summary provided for discussion.

Members determined unanimously to approve the prosed changes to the UNC related documents listed in the summary document published alongside these minutes.

141.5 Any Other Business

None raised.

141.6 Next Meeting

Thursday 17 December 2015, immediately after the UNC Modification Panel meeting.

Action Table (19 November 2015)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0902	17/09/15	139.5(a)	All UNCC Sub-Committees to review their Terms of	UNCC Sub-	Closed

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