Joint Office of Gas Transporters

Uniform Network Code Committee Minutes of the 153rd Meeting held on Thursday 17 November 2016 at Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW Attendees

Voting Members:

Shipper Representatives	Transporter Representatives	
A Green* (AG), Total	C Warner (CW), National Grid Distribution	
A Love (AL), Scottish Power	F Healey (FH), National Grid NTS	
A Margan (AM), British Gas	H Chapman (HC), Scotia Gas Networks	
R Fairholme (RF), Uniper	J Ferguson (JF), Northern Gas Networks	
S Mulinganie (SMu), Gazprom	u), Gazprom R Pomroy (RP), Wales & West Utilities	

Non-Voting Members:

Chairman	Ofgem Representative	Consumer Representative	
A Plant (AP), Chair	R Elliott (RE), Ofgem	S Moore (SMo), Citizens Advice	

Also in Attendance:

D Lond (DL), National Grid NTS; L Jenkins (LJ), Deputy Chair; R Fletcher (RFI), Secretary; R Hinsley (RH), Xoserve and S Britten (SB), Cornwall Energy.

153.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting

None.

153.2 Apologies for Absence

None.

153.3 Minutes and Actions from the previous meeting

The Minutes from 20 October 2016 meeting were approved.

No outstanding actions to consider.

153.4 Matters for the Committee's Attention

a) Subcommittee Reporting

AP provided an overview of the sub committee reports and asked members for views on the level of content and if the report should continue.

Members were satisfied with the level of reporting and that the report should continue on a quarterly basis, although as an additional page to the agenda and not imbedded in the content.

b) UNC / DSC Committee Structures

RFI presented a paper on the proposed changes to the UNCC Committee structure and the additional DSC Committees being introduced as part of the FGO arrangements.

Following a general discussion, UNCC agreed that:

- The Joint Office should use a shortened DSC Committee membership nomination process utilising the SPOCs for the 2016/17 UNC nomination process;
- 2. That SPOCs should be requested to confirm which Shipper Class they are nominating for;
- 3. The FGO Workgroup is to undertake an initial review UNC referenced and related documents;
- 4. The Joint Office to provide a high level plan indicating the approach to implementation and the actions required.

153.5 Any Other Business

a) Implementation of Modification 0520A – Performance Assurance Reporting

RP advised that it is Transporters intention to implement Modification 0520A on 04

January 2017 rather than the Project Nexus Implementation Date.

LJ asked if the legal text would be viable with this proposed change.

RP advised that FGO has identified an issue that the modification needs to be implemented prior to FGO implementation to ensure the service is established and funded and therefore continues into the Nexus arrangements. This would ensure the risk for providing the service remains with Transporters following FGO implementation as intended.

In addition RH clarified that currently Schedule 1 reporting which is defined as pre Nexus Reporting, cannot be provided currently as the modification wont be implemented until Nexus implementation – therefore implementation in January 2017 would allow Xoserve to provide the schedule 1 reports to PAC.

RP agreed to provide an update at the next UNCC meeting.

b) Ofgem Publishing Moratorium

RE advised that Ofgem would be applying a moratorium on modification decisions and other publications commencing on Wednesday 21 December 2016 and ending on Tuesday 03 January 2017.

c) CMA consultation

RE advised that the consultation seeking views on regulatory framework changes proposed under the CMA review and the associated strategic direction has opened and ends on Wednesday 01 February 2017.

Ofgem is arranging and industry workshop on 12 January and further details will be provided nearer the date.

RE advised that he intends to arrange for an overview presentation at the December meeting.

153.6 Next Meeting

Thursday 15 December 2016, immediately after the UNC Modification Panel meeting.

Action Table (17 November 2016)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update