UK LINK Committee Minutes
Thursday 11 November 2010
via teleconference

#### **Attendees**

Tim Davis (Chair) (TD) Joint Office of Gas Transporters Helen Cuin (Secretary) (LD) Joint Office of Gas Transporters

Ashley Collins (AC) EDF Energy Danielle King (DK) E.ON UK

Dave Corby (DC) National Grid NTS

David Watson (DW) British Gas

Joanna Ferguson (JF) Northern Gas Networks Joel Martin (JM) Scotia Gas Networks

Lorraine Cave (LC) xoserve Martin Brandt (MB) SSE

Stephanie Shepherd (SS) RWE npower

#### 1. Review of Minutes and Actions

#### 1.1. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

#### 1.2. Review of actions

**UKL1199:** Provide an update on the extent of the Query & Workflow Management implementation in Q2 2011

**Update:** LC advised implementation is unlikely for June. An update will be provided via a UK Link Notification. **Action Carried Forward** 

**UKL1206**: Provide an update on the EUC Codes current 4 digit limit potential issues analysis, and provide feedback at the November meeting xoserve

**Update**: LC confirmed work looking at 5, 6 or 7 digit options will start soon and is due to complete in January. **Action Carried Forward** 

**UKL1207**: Prepare both a presentation on the potential ConQuest email/IX communication options, including a legal view on security data issues, and thereafter issue to the UKLC and CUG in due course.

**Update**: LC said legal issues surrounding email are still being investigated.

**Action Carried Forward** 

# 2. Other Industry Fora

No update was provided during the meeting.

Post meeting Note: The following list UNC Modification Proposals with a potential impact upon UKL systems, highlighting changes since the previous meeting:

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• 0209 "Rolling AQ". Allocated to the Project Nexus Workstream with a report due at the 21/04/11 Panel meeting;

- 0270 "Aggregated Monthly Reconciliation for Smart Meters". Potential for significant system impacts. Allocated to a Development Work Group, with a report due at the 20/01/11 Panel meeting;
- 0274 "Creation of a National Revenue Protection Service". Allocated to a Development Work Group, with a report due at the 15/04/11 Panel meeting;
- 0282 "Introduction of a process to manage Long Term Vacant sites". Allocated to the Distribution Workstream with a report now due at the 20/01/11 Panel meeting. Potential for significant system impacts;
- 0296 "Facilitating a Supply Point Enquiry Service for Non-Domestic Supply Points".
   Allocated to the Distribution Workstream with a report due at the 18/11/10 Panel meeting;
- 0326 "Allocation of unidentified gas following the appointment of the Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert (AUGE)". Allocated to the Distribution Workstream with a report due at the 18/11/10 Panel meeting;
- 0333 'Update of the default System Marginal Buy Price and System Marginal Sell Price". Allocated to the Transmission Workstream with a report due at the 16/12/10 Panel meeting. Possible Gemini system impacts;
- 0337 "Introduction of an Inter-Day Linepack Product". Due for consideration at the 17/02/11 Panel meeting. Possible Gemini system impacts;
- 0341 "Manifest Errors in Entry Capacity Overruns". Due for consideration at the 20/01/11 Panel meeting. The proposal anticipates using current Gemini system functionality;
- 0343 "The ability and requirement for Users and Transporters to raise issues to be considered by the Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert as "known" issues". New proposal with limited system impacts anticipated (proposes utilising 0229 functionality) and is to be considered at the 18/11/10 Panel meeting;
- 0345 "Removal of Daily Metered voluntary regime". New proposal with minor system impacts indicated which is to be considered at the 18/11/10 Panel meeting;
- 0346 "An Alternative to the Supplier Energy Theft Scheme Based on Throughput". New proposal with ConQuest system impacts (Theft of Gas numbers) anticipated and is to be considered at the 18/11/10 Panel meeting, and
- 0347 "Amend NTS Exit Capacity Assignment Start Date". New proposal with some system impacts anticipated which is to be considered at the 18/11/10 Panel meeting.

# 3. UK Link Modification Implementation Plan (and review of UK Link Modification Status Report)

3.1 CRN 962 - Query and Workflow Management

LC reported this is awaiting scheduling for implementation in 2011.

3.2 CRN 2005 - Exit Reform Phase 3

LC reported that implementation is scheduled for August 2012.

3.3 CRN 2029 – Improving the availability of Meter Read History

LC reported that implementation date is scheduled for May 2011.

3.4 CRN 1909 – MIPI European Transparency Project

LC confirmed this was implemented on 07/11/10.

#### 3.5 COR 1133 - Facilitating the use of AMR in a DM Elective Regime

LC confirmed implementation was due on 21/11/10.

AC asked for clarification on the potential change from business days to calendar days. JM confirmed that a Consent to Modify had been raised to change legal text for UNC0224. However, the consent had been rejected by Ofgem and hence an alternative solution is needed, for which a Modification Proposal may be raised in due course. LC confirmed that xoserve were planning to manage the process offline in the interim in order to maintain UNC compliance. Further communication on this will be issued in due course.

#### 3.6 CRN 1360 - Exit Reform Phase 2

LC reported that implementation is scheduled for 17/04/11. TD indicated that National Grid NTS had invited support for User Testing, if parties are willing and interested. Interested parties can notify the Joint Office for onward communication.

# 3.7 CRN 962.1 - Q&WM - Change to MPRN Creation (MNC) Process

LC confirmed that this is still under analysis.

SS enquired about the proposed new format and if there were any changes following feedback. She suggested xoserve provide a consolidated view of the feedback received, as this would provide confirmation that everything raised had been addressed. LC agreed that an update would be provided at the next meeting.

Action UKL1208: xoserve (LC) to prepare a consolidated view of feedback received regarding the proposed MPRN Creation (MNC) process changes.

- 3.8 CRN 962.2 Q&WM Daily Metered Contact (DMQ) Process Change See 3.7 above.
- 3.9 CRN 962.3 Q&WM Process to Challenge UKLink Outcomes (FLE) See tem 3.7 above.
- 3.10 CRN 962.4 Q&WM Change to ADD / UNC Address Update Request See 3.7 above.
- 3.11 CRN 962.5 Q&WM Isolation Report (ISO) Process

See 3.7 above.

#### 4. Review of Topics Status Report

#### 4.1 xoserve Strategic Initiative

**Project Nexus** 

LC had received a written update, and it was agreed that a copy would be provided for publication alongside these minutes.

# 5. Performance Reporting - Monthly Report

LC reviewed the xoserve Report Pack by exception.

## 5.1 IS Faults logged by Shippers (xoserve Report A)

Report accepted.

# 5.2 UK-Link Business Support Agreement Report Summary (xoserve Report B)

Report accepted.

# 5.3 Liabilities Report (xoserve Report C)

Report accepted.

# 5.4 Report on Performance Problems

Report accepted.

# 6. File Format and Urgent Communications (xoserve Report D)

LC confirmed that, following the User Acceptance testing presented at the last meeting, the DM elective File formats had been sent out for representations – none were received.

The file formats were approved unanimously.

# 7. Planned Outages (xoserve Report E)

LC summarised the forthcoming outage notifications

Thereafter, this report was accepted.

#### 8. AOB

None.

# 9. Next Meeting

10:00 am on Thursday 09 December 2010, by teleconference

**ACTION LOG: UK Link Committee 11 November 2010** 

#### **Action** Meeting Minute Action Owner\* **Status Update** Ref Date Ref (original ref) UKL 12/08/10 3.1 Provide an update on the extent of Update due at the xoserve 1199 the Query & Workflow Management December (LC) implementation in Q2 2011. meetina. Carried Forward UKL 14/10/10 8. Provide an update on the EUC xoserve Update due at 1206 Codes current 4 digit limit potential (LC/DA) January meeting. issues analysis, and provide Carried Forward feedback at the November meeting. UKL 14/10/10 8. Prepare both a presentation on the xoserve Update due at 1207 potential ConQuest email/IX December (DA) communication options, including a meetina. legal view on security data issues, **Carried Forward** and thereafter issue to the UKLC and CUG in due course. UKL 11/11/10 3.7 Prepare a consolidated view of xoserve Update due at 1208 feedback received regarding the (LC) December proposed MPRN Creation (MNC) meeting. process changes.

## \* Key to action owner

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