Report for Network Code Committee September 2005 UK Link Committee

Meetings Held

8 September 2005

Planned

13 October 2005

Matters for Network Code Committee's Attention

None

UK Link Modifications Activity

The following UK link Modifications have been referred to the UK Link Committee

Existing UK Link Modifications Awaiting Approval

12494 'Addition of 'Prevailing AQ' and 'Prevailing EUC' to the info provided within the CSEP (CEP) Invoice'

The Transporters indicated that the inclusion of this change as a Class 2 UK Link Modification was dependent on it being bundled with other change(s). The Proposer of this change expressed concern that the Transporters were consequently unable to offer an implementation date.

11928 'Transco LNG Storage Communications'

xoserve reported transporter approval for commencement of the UK Link Manual update project that shall include this and other changes

13660 'Amendment to the 'Portfolio Effective Date' field within the DPS file to include supplier start date'

Subject to prior discussion with EdF, Shippers to be canvassed in order to evaluate level of support for this change.

New UK Link Modifications

EU Directive VAT Compliance

A change has been identified in the format of the VAT Number field. It was suggested that this change would be bundled in with others in February 2006.

Approved UK Link Modifications

11681 'Project Gemini – Replacement of AT Link'

Project progressing. Concern expressed on industry readiness for UK Link contingency system if difficulties encountered in bringing the Gemini system on-line. Discussing this with shippers on 13-Sep and 15-Sep.

13618 Network Code Reading Modification and Customer Transfer Programme.

Change progressing to plan.

Topics Activity

001UKL IX Upgrade to MPLS

(Mar05 Change progressing to plan.

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002UKL Governance of non UK Link Systems

(Apr05 - Scope now defined and agreed. To be closed once Extranet updated and industry 01) notified.

003UKL UNC Mod 010 (735) 'Amendment to minimum notice required for UK Link Changes'

Legal text agreed between Proposer (SSE) and Transporter. September Modification

Panel to decide whether reconsultation is required.

004UKL UK Link Testing Arrangements

Requirements signed off and issued to suppliers.

005UKL Availability of data documentation

xoserve addressing requirements. Investigating the requirement for password protection.

UK Link Committee – UK Link Modification Status Report September 2005

| UK Link Mod Ref | UNC Mod Ref (Old) | Mod Title | Received | J | Status | Next Step(s) |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|---|----------|---------------------|--|--|
| 12494 | | Addition of 'Prevailing AQ' and 'Prevailing EUC' to the info provided within the CSEP (CEP) Invoice | 20/08/03 | Scottish Power (SP) | Analysis: Performance enhancement implementation could not include this change. | xoserve to convey SP concerns about delay to Transporter meeting & report back |
| 11928 | n/a | Transco LNG Storage Communications | 08/01/03 | Transco LNG | Development: Included in UK Link Manual update – now approved | Completion targeted by end of 2005. |
| 13658 | | Additional functionality to Gemini API | | BP Gas Marketing | Development: Programme agreed for indicative implementation mid 2006 | xoserve to notify scope & give update in December 05 |
| 13629 | | Datalogger Support File | 13/06/05 | Transco | Development: Implementation provisionally Feb 06 | UK Link Committee approval of implementation date. |
| New | | EU Directive VAT Compliance | | Transporters | Preparing for Review of Requirements | Consultation at UK Link Committee and community |
| 11681 | n/a | Project Gemini – Replacement of AT Link | 01/10/02 | Transco | Development: Shipper regression tests carried out. Concern raised on industry readiness for the UK Link contingency system if the need arose to invoke it. | Gemini SWG 13-Sep Ops Forum 15-Sep Gemini Forum 18-Sep Gemini mtg 6-Oct |
| | 0689 0690) | Network Code Reading Modification | n/a | Transco | Davidanmenti | Implementation |
| | 0742) | Customer Transfer Programme | n/a | Transco | Development: Progression of implementation plan. | scheduled for 5-Nov- 05 |
| | (0693) | Maximum Read Frequency | n/a | Transco | | |

| UK | UNC | Mod Title | Received | Organisation | Status | Next Step(s) |
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| Ref | (Old) | | | | | |
| 13660 | | Amendment to the 'Portfolio Effective Date' | | EDF Energy | In Analysis | xoserve to canvass |
| | | field within the DPS file to include supplier start | | | Class 3 UK Link modification | views from EdF and |
| | | date | | | request. Initial analysis complete. | potentially wider. |

UK Link Committee – Topic Status Report September 2005

| Topic No | Date Created | Topic Originator | Topic Title | Associated Modification Proposal(s) | Priority for Discussion (H/M/L) | Status | Next Step(s) |
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| Active | | | | | | | |
| 001UKL | 19/05/05 | Transco | IX Upgrade to MPLS | None | M | MPLS schedule on target – only one Phase I site outstanding. Phase II commenced. No price list from xoserve as yet | Report completion of Phase I to Gemini. Phase II progression. Price list from xoserve. |
| 002UKL | 19/05/05 | Transco | Governance of non UK Link Systems | None | M | Residual scope issue (SC95) resolved (- only 2 shipper users) | xoserve to update Extranet and notify |
| 003UKL | 19/05/05 | Scottish and Southern Energy plc | Amendment to the minimum notice required for UK Link changes | UNC 010 (0735) | М | Revised legal drafting agreed between SSE and Transco and submitted to Ofgem. | Panel consider legal drafting. Ofgem decision |
| 004UKL | 11/08/05 (20/08/03) | Scottish Power | UK Link Testing Arrangements | None | | Requirements signed off and sent to xoserve suppliers | Nov report on timeline and costs |
| 005UKL | 11/08/05 | | Availability of data documentation | None | | xoserve agree to notify when Extranet updated. Query raised over the need for password protection. | xoserve to further explore the need for password protection |