

**UNC 0635 Workgroup Minutes**  
**Reforms to incentivise accurate and timely DM reads to improve the**  
**accuracy of Unidentified Gas allocation**  
**Monday 25 January 2018**  
**at Xoserve, Lansdowne Gate, 65 New Road, Solihull, B91 3DL**

**Attendees**

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Karen Visgarda (Secretary)	(KV)	Joint Office
Andrew Margan	(AM)	Centrica
Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent
Carl Whitehouse	(CWh)	First Utility
Chris Warner	(Cwa)	Cadent
Claire Towler	(CT)	SSE
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
David Mitchell	(DM)	SGN
Debbie Brace	(DB)	National Grid NTS
Gareth Evans*	(GE)	WatersWye
John Welch	(JW)	npower
Kirsty Dudley*	(KD)	(E.ON)
Lorna Lewin*	(LL)	Orsted
Mark Jones*	(MJ)	SSE
Nicky Rozier*	(NR)	BUUK
Rachel Hinsley	(RH)	Xoserve
Richard Pomroy	(RP)	Wales and West Utilities
Rowan Hazell*	(RH)	Cornwall Insight
Shane Preston	(SP)	ScottishPower
Shanna Key	(SK)	Northern Gas Network
Shardul Pandit*	(SP)	Wales and West Utilities
Steve Mulinganie*	(SMu)	Gazprom

\*via teleconference

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The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 19 April 2018.

**1. Introduction and Status Review****1.1. Approval of Minutes (25 January 2018)**

The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted.

**1.2. Status Review**

BF explained that Modification 0635 had been amended on the January Panel day and that an alternate had been proposed, although due to the amendments, this was now deemed a new Modification 0647 - Opening Class 1 reads to Competition, and the Proposer had agreed this was not going to be considered until the 22 March meeting.

**2. Review of Amended Modification**

CWh confirmed following the feedback received from the Workgroup he had now amended the modification to keep the scope to Class 2 Daily Meter Points and had removed any reference to Class 1. He appreciated that further discussion was still needed with DM, but that he was

hopeful that DM now had sufficient information to commence the Legal Text. DM confirmed this to be the case.

A general discussion took place and SMu said he was not happy about taking out any reference to Class 1, as this seemed to imply a discriminatory process – is this to be justified on the principle that Class 2 was optional. The Workgroup then discussed the impact of Modification 0619/A./B and if it was approved, would be removing barriers which this modification would then reapply. AMa proposed that Modification 0635 would then capture the lower end of the market. CWh said that this was incorrect that the modification was to capture the higher end of the market and not the lower end and he would consider an amendment. DA added that the purpose was to remove the volatility regardless of the size of the site. SMu said that UIG no longer had that much of an impact and that is was more to do with the threshold of Class 2 and the impact of this Modification in relation to Class 2. BF proposed that CWh should split Class 2 by threshold and provide the reasoning behind this and why this would work regarding Class 2.

CWa proposed various changes to the actual wording in the Modification itself, and said that the Transporters were no longer in scope, so should be removed. Both SMu and CWa said that the reference in the title to UIG should now be removed too, as this was not impacting on UIG, as it was not truly representative of the content and context of the Modification with the reference of UIG still remaining. CWh agreed to remove the UIG references from the title and content.

AMa asked from a Cross Impact perspective if a separate iGT Modification would be needed and NR said she would have this discussion with Gemserve to gain clarification and she would provide feedback.

CWh said he would submit the formally amended Modification, once the changes had been completed.

### **3. Consideration of Business Rules**

Not discussed in this meeting.

### **4. Review of Impacts and Costs**

Not discussed in this meeting.

### **5. Consideration of Alternative Solutions**

Not discussed in this meeting.

### **6. Development of Workgroup Report**

Not discussed in this meeting.

### **7. Issues**

No new issues were raised. Not discussed in this meeting.

### **8. Next Steps**

BF said that he would request a formal extension at Panel for Modification 0635 to report to the April Panel, allowing further development time.

### **9. Any Other Business**

None raised.

**10. Review of Outstanding Action(s)**

There were no outstanding actions.

**11. Any Other Business****12. Diary Planning**

Further details of planned meetings are available at: [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/Diary)

Workgroup meetings will take place as follows:

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:30 Thursday 22 February 2018	Xoserve, Lansdowne Gate, 65 New Road, Solihull, B91 3DL	Detail planned agenda items. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Amended Modification</li> <li>• Review of Impacts and Costs</li> <li>• Review of Relevant Objectives</li> <li>• Consideration of Wider Industry Impacts</li> <li>• Consider alternate modification</li> <li>• Consideration of Legal Text</li> <li>• Development of Workgroup Report</li> </ul>