

**Uniform Network Code Committee**  
**Minutes of Meeting 213 held on Thursday 19 August 2021**  
**Via Teleconference**

<b>Attendees</b>			
<b>Voting Members:</b>			
<b>Shipper Representatives</b>		<b>Transporter Representatives</b>	
D Fittock (DF), Corona Energy and alternate for A Green M Jones (MJ), SSE O Chapman (OC), Centrica R Fairholme (RF), Uniper S Mulinganie (SM), Gazprom		D Lond (DL), National Grid NTS G Dosanjh (GD), Cadent H Chapman (HC), SGN R Pomroy (RP), Wales & West Utilities T Saunders (TS), Northern Gas Networks	
<b>Non-Voting Members:</b>			
<b>Chairperson</b>	<b>Ofgem Representative</b>	<b>Consumer Representatives</b>	<b>Independent Supplier Representative</b>
W Goldwag (WG)	R Fernie (RFe)	Not present	(None)
<b>Also, in Attendance:</b> B Fletcher (BF), Joint Office; C Aguirre (CA), Pavilion Energy; E Rogers (ER), Xoserve - CDSP Representative; K Elleman (KE), Joint Office; K Morley-Hurst (KMH), Cornwall Insight; P Garner (PG), Joint Office and Y Reid-Healy (YRH), Joint Office.			

Copies of all papers are available at: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/uncc/190821>

**213.1 Note of any alternates attending the meeting**

D Fittock on behalf of A Green, Total Gas and Power  
O Chapman on behalf of M Bellman, ScottishPower

**213.2 Apologies for Absence**

A Green, Total Gas and Power  
A Travell, BUUK  
M Bellman, ScottishPower

### **213.3 Minutes and Actions from the previous meeting**

The 15 July 2021 meeting minutes were approved.

### **213.4 Review of Actions**

None.

### **213.5 Matters for the Committee's Attention**

#### **a) Measurement Error Notification Guidelines**

K Elleman (KE) advised that as with the process adopted for the implementation of *Modification 0741 - Updating specific gender references to neutral terms*, the proposed amendments to the Measurement Error Notification Guidelines are to remove outdated gender references and replace them with non-specific gender references – no other amendments are being proposed.

The Chair (WG) asked the Joint Office to bring forward any other examples where they are identified and need to be addressed to ensure consistency in the Code and its related documents. WG asked if members had any further comments.

Members voted unanimously to approve the proposed amendments to the Measurement Error Notification Guidelines.

#### **b) DNO Designated Class 1 Guidance Document**

H Chapman (HC) provided an overview of the proposed amendments to the DNO Designated Class 1 Guidance Document, confirming these had been discussed at the July Distribution Workgroup and at a previous UNCC meeting. HC confirmed the version for approval addresses the comments previously raised by Members.

WG asked if IGTs have had the opportunity to review the changes. HC advised that this is a UNC document that has been made available for discussion at Workgroup, IGTAD Committee and the UNCC, therefore IGT representatives have been given the opportunity to review the content.

TS noted that the references to IGTs within the document refers to a previous iteration which was approved in 2020, there were no changes proposed in this version which would directly impact IGTs.

WG was content that IGTs have been given the opportunity to engage in the process.

Members voted unanimously to approve the proposed amendments to the DNO Designated Class 1 Guidance Document.

**c) UNC Validation Rules**

E Rogers (ER) provided an overview of the proposed amendments to the UNC Validation Rules, confirming these had been discussed recently at the July Distribution Workgroup and that there were no further comments provided. ER confirmed that advance approval was being requested as this document is required to go live at the same time as the November 2021 Major Systems Release.

Members voted unanimously to approve the proposed amendments to the UNC Validation Rules document.

**213.6 AOB**

**a) Panel Chair appointment**

P Garner (PG) advised that following discussions with the Joint Governance Arrangements Committee (JGAC) and Panel Members, the intention is to provide a recommendation to Ofgem that the current Independent Panel Chairs tenure be extended for an additional 12 months.

**b) Feedback on Panel Day Meeting Administration**

WG noted that both the Panel and UNCC meetings concluded sooner than anticipated and asked Members for their feedback either now or individually later, on their preference for breaking for lunch today or continuing with the UNCC meeting without a break - what would members have preferred? No further feedback was provided during the meeting.

**c) Energy code reform: governance framework**

WG asked all Members to consider responding to the current Energy code reform: governance framework consultation, particularly from organisations engaged in the process to ensure industry views are understood by the regulation bodies. Adding that if you are part of an industry group that is going to provide a response, could you also consider an individual organisation view as this might be subtly different from a trade organisation view or other industry group view.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/energy-code-reform-governance-framework>

WG advised that a new Independent Chairs of the Codes bodies group has been established that is currently chaired by WG. Collectively the group is contemplating whether they should provide a response to the consultation. However, this has not been agreed due to the differences in how constituencies are established and managed in the different codes.

WG confirmed that it is unlikely she would be providing an individual response to the consultation and if required to it would probably be limited to requesting less complexity in the governance structure.

PG asked members to note that this is Phase 1 of the process which is considering the establishment of enabling legislation for the Code review and not necessarily the phase considering Code consolidation.

G Dosanjh (GD) asked what the scope of the Independent Chairs of the Codes bodies group is. WG advised it is for Independent Chairs to share best practice and guidance and that the group has no decision-making capability in its structure.

#### **213.7 Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on 16 September 2021, immediately after the UNC Modification Panel meeting on that date.

### **Action Table (19 August 2021)**

**No Outstanding Actions**