UNC Workgroup 0784S Minutes

Transition to the Central Switching Service and the Retail Energy Code v3.0

Thursday 25 November 2021

via Microsoft Teams

Attendees							
Rebecca Hailes (Chair)	(RHa)	Joint Office					
Helen Bennett (Secretary)	(HB)	Joint Office					
Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent					
Clare Manning	(CM)	E.ON Energy					
Claire Louise Roberts	(CLR)	Scottish Power					
Dan Fittock	(DF)	Corona Energy					
Dan Wilkinson	(DA)	EDF Energy					
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve					
David Mitchell	(DM)	SGN					
David Morley	(DMo)	Ovo Energy					
Eddie Proffitt	(EP)	Major Energy Users' Council					
Ellie Rogers	(ER)	Xoserve					
Gareth Evans	(GE)	Waters Wye Associates					
Guv Dosanjh	(GD)	Cadent					
Kate Lancaster	(KL)	Xoserve					
Kundai Matiringe	(KM)	BU-UK					
Louise Hellyer	(LH)	Totalenergies Gas & Power					
Luke Reeves	(LR)	EDF Energy					
Mark Field	(MF)	Sembcorp Energy UK					
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE					
Richard Pomroy	(RP)	Wales & West Utilities					
Rhys Kealley	(RK)	British Gas					
Robert Johnstone	(RJ)	Utilita					
Sally Hardman	(SH)	SGN					
Steven Britton	(SB)	Cornwall Insight					
Steve Mulinganie	(SM)	Gazprom Energy					
Tracey Saunders	(TS)	Northern Gas Networks					

Copies of all papers are available at: http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0784/251121

The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 17 February 2022.

1.0 Introduction and Status Review

1.1. Approval of Minutes (28 October 2021)

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

1.2. Approval of Late Papers

There were no late papers.

1.3. Review of Outstanding Actions

Action 0110: *Transporter Registrations -* Xoserve (DA) to provide an explanation of how this will be dealt with for the next meeting in November 2021

Update: Dave Addison (DA) confirmed this has been included as part of the CSS review within the Distribution Workgroup: https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/dist/251121. **Closed**

Action 0210: DA to liaise with Proposer, Cadent, to start working on the Legal Text.

Update: DA advised he is in discussions with Cadent regarding the Legal text and a plan is being formulated. **Closed**

2.0 Amended Modification

DA referred Workgroup to Annex 1 within the Modification which is a table that describes the changes being considered and an assessment as to whether it needs to be in the Legal Text or not.

DA provided a further brief overview of the Transition arrangements for REC v3 Go-Live he presented at the October 2021 Distribution Workgroup. For a detailed update, please refer to the published slides on the 28 October 2021 meeting page: https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0784/281021

The presentation covered the following main topics:

Background - Slide 2

DA advised the date of CSS implementation is not yet agreed, however, CDSP are working towards a target CSS implementation date of Monday 18 July 2022.

Transition Rules for Non-CSS Supply Points (SPs) - Slide 5

Transition period: DA explained that some of the transitional elements are already described in the REC but would start 30 days in advance of CSS implementation.

DA highlighted the Transition Rule:

Sites will be prevented from becoming a Non-CSS Supply Point where they are otherwise within the scope of CSS, and vice versa during the Transition period.

CSS Supply Points – Registration - Slide 6

This slide sets out how the Inflight Switches Management Approach has been used and DA encouraged Users to review.

DA highlighted that Registrations that start in UK Link must finish in UK Link.

CSS Supply Points – Confirmation - Slide 7

Different timescales: This slide sets out the way some of the transition rules will have different timescales.

CSS Supply Points – Supplier Responsibilities – For Information only - Slide 8

This slide sets out, based on a Monday Go-Live, the process of new gas and electricity registration requests.

CSS Supply Points –Withdrawal – Slide 10

DA explained how Withdrawals pre and post CSS implementation will have different effects, which will depend upon:

- whether an Isolation has been processed or not
- whether a Meter has never been installed and we have never received any notification of a Meter being installed

Post CSS, the Withdrawal Notice will need to be used to flag that a meter has never been installed on the property.

CSS Supply Points – CDSP Authority to register – Slide 12

This slide sets out the Uniform Network Code references that will be suspended during Transition and then re-started on CSS Implementation Date.

CSS Supply Points –Nominations / Offers – Slide 13

DA noted that, in regard to Nominations and Offers, the terminology for pre-CSS refers to an Offer; Post-CSS it is a Detailed Registration Response.

Impact on Other Processes - Slide 14

This slide explains what other processes have been assessed, these are:

- Meter Reading
- Market Sector Code Update
- RGMA Transactions.

DA raised a final point that is not covered in the Modification: within the REC, Transporters; CDSP and Suppliers are subject to Transitional Requirements which will mean sending data across to CSS as part of their obligations, such as:

- Registered Meter Point (RMP) status = status
- RMP address
- Meter Asset Manager (MAM) appointment information

Communication of Alliance information will be relevant to this Modification, such as:

- Shipper / Supplier Commercial Alliance
- Shipper / Supplier Regulatory Alliance.

DA advised it is not certain yet how that information is going to be provided, following CSS implementation. There may need to be a process created to ensure the final version of the Shipper / Supplier communication alliance is set.

When Rhys Kealley (RK) mentioned his concern that as the transition of Faster Switching progresses, and with any changes within the REC, the new Data Catalogue might not keep up with the changes, DA advised that changes should not affect the message construction and he is not anticipating any changes.

3.0 Development of Workgroup Report

Not covered.

4.0 Next Steps

It was clarified that Legal Text discussions are due to commence; an update will be provided at the next Workgroup on Monday 13 December 2021.

5.0 Any Other Business

None.

6.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month

Time / Date	Paper Publication Deadline	Venue	Programme
Monday 10:00	5pm	Microsoft	Standard Agenda
13 December 2021	02 December 2021	Teams	

Joint Office of Gas Transporters

Thursday 10:00	5pm	Microsoft	Standard Agenda
27 January 2022	18 January 2022	Teams	

Action Table (as at 25 November 2021)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0110	28/10/21	1.0	Transporter Registrations - Xoserve (DA) to provide an explanation of how this will be dealt with for the next meeting in November 2021.	Xoserve (DA)	Closed
0210	28/10/21	1.0	Xoserve (DA) to liaise with Proposer, Cadent, to start working on the Legal Text.	Xoserve (DA)	Closed