

Uniform Network Code Committee AUG Sub-Committee Terms of Reference

1. Introduction

The Uniform Network Code Committee (UNCC) agreed these updated terms of reference for the AUG Sub-Committee on 19 November 2020 and amendments shall only be made with the consent of the UNCC.

2. Scope of the AUG Sub-Committee

2.1 General

The AUG Sub-Committee is defined as a sub-committee of the Uniform Network Code Committee, with certain rights and responsibilities relating to the Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert (the “AUG Framework Document”).

In particular, the AUG Framework Document defines a AUG Technical Workgroup – an open meeting of interested parties, at set points throughout the annual cycle, to review and provide guidance/support to the AUGGE and discuss issues raised relating to the AUG Methodology and Table. The AUG Sub-Committee was set up to perform the role of an AUG Technical Workgroup.

The AUG Sub-Committee is chaired by the Joint Office of Gas Transporters and is attended by the Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert (the “AUGGE”), the Central Data Services Provider (the “CDSP”) and interested parties.

2.2 Meetings

The AUG Sub-Committee is to meet to support the creation of the AUG Statement as per the timescales in the Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert:

- Introductory Meeting of the AUG Sub-Committee - late June/early July
- Early Engagement Meeting of the AUG Sub-Committee – late September/ early October
- Meeting of the AUG Sub-Committee for the AUGGE to present and discuss the draft AUG Statement and Table – no later than 15th January
- Meeting of the AUG Sub-Committee for the AUGGE to provide feedback on the consultation responses made on the draft AUG Statement and Table – no later than 15th February
- Meeting of the AUG Sub-Committee, for the AUGGE to present and discuss the modified AUG Statement and Table – no later than 12th March
- Meeting of the AUG Sub-Committee, for the AUGGE to present the final AUG Statement and Table – no later than 5 days prior to the April UNCC meeting.

The Code Administration Code of Practice shall apply to the conduct of the meetings.

The AUGE will also provide the industry with monthly updates on progress with the development of the AUGS, including availability of data, new topics identified and any key issues which may impact on the Methodology. This information will also be published by the Joint Office.

2.3 Guidance and support to the AUGE

The AUG Sub-Committee will provide guidance/support to the AUGE and discuss issues raised relating to the AUG Methodology via its scheduled meetings, or in adhoc meetings, if required. Topics on which the Sub-Committee would provide guidance/support to the UNCC on the use of funds for two additional optional AUGE Service Lines:

- Innovation Service – identify, assess and propose ways in which UIG could be better and more equitably allocated
- Advisory Service – provision of expert advice by the AUGE on UIG and Settlement issues to industry Stakeholders

The AUGE and CDSP will gather the views of Sub-Committee attendees and seek a consensus view on the most appropriate and cost-effective use of these funds.

If there is no clear consensus, the AUGE may be asked to provide further information to support the Sub-Committee or the expenditure may be deferred to a later date. The majority or consensus view of Sub-Committee members would be the leading factor in determining the most suitable next step. If there is a consensus or widespread support, a proposal for use of the funds, including a summary of the views of the Sub-Committee attendees, will be presented to UNC Committee for a vote. Any commercially sensitive aspects of the proposal would be made available to UNC Committee members only.

2.4 Decision making

The AUG Sub-Committee has no voting capacity and voting related to the AUG Statement is a matter of the UNCC only.

3.0 Document Control

Version	Date	Reason for Change
1.0	20 December 2018	Approved by UNC Committee meeting 181 as Terms of Reference for the AUG Technical Workgroup.
1.1	11 January 2019	Document updated to reflect revised name.
1.2	28 August 2020	Initial draft for discussion at AUG Sub-Committee prior to presentation to UNC Committee, to include role of Sub-Committee in the Innovation and Advisory Services
1.3	30 October 2020	Updated draft following discussions at September AUG Sub-Committee meeting
2.0	11 November 2020	Version reviewed and supported at November AUG Sub-Committee, approved at UNC Committee on 19 November 2020.