

UNC Distribution Workgroup Minutes
Thursday 27 September 2018
at Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull B91 2AA

Attendees

Bob Fletcher (Chair)	(BF)	Joint Office
Mike Berrisford (Secretary)	(MB)	Joint Office
Alexander Mann	(AMa)	Gazprom
Amy Rawding*	(AR)	Northern Gas Networks
Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent
Andy Miller	(AMi)	Xoserve
Chris Warner	(CW)	Cadent
Dave Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
David Mitchell	(DM)	SGN
Edd Fyfe	(EF)	SGN
Ellie Rogers	(ER)	Xoserve
Gareth Evans	(GE)	Waters Wye Associates
John Cooper*	(JC)	BUUK
Kirsty Dudley*	(KD)	E.ON UK
Lesley Bowen*	(LB)	EDF Energy
Lorna Lewin	(LL)	Orsted
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE
Megan Coventry*	(MC)	SSE
Megan Troth	(MT)	Xoserve
Michelle Whittington*	(MW)	EDF Energy
Oorlagh Chapman*	(OC)	Centrica
Rachel Clarke*	(RC)	Gemserv
Rachel Hinsley	(RH)	Xoserve
Richard Pomroy	(RP)	Wales & West Utilities
Richard Johnson	(RJ)	Xoserve
Shaheeni Vekaria	(SV)	Utility Warehouse
Shanna Key	(SK)	Northern Gas Networks
Shardul Pandit*	(SP)	Wales & West Utilities
Simon Harris	(SH)	Xoserve

*via teleconference

Copies of all papers are available at: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/dist/270918>

1. Introduction and Status Review**1.1. Approval of Minutes (23 August 2018)**

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

1.2. Modifications with Ofgem

Consideration deferred in the absence of an Ofgem representative.

1.3. Pre-Modification Discussion

None.

2. Workgroups

2.1. 0630R – Review of the consequential changes required in UNC as a result of the Ofgem Switching Programme

(Report to Panel 18 October 2018)

<https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0630>

2.2. 0647 – Opening Class 1 reads to Competition

(Report to Panel 20 December 2018)

<https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0647>

2.3. 0663S – Extending the data comprised under the definition of Supply Point Premises Data (TPD V5.18.1) (including IGT Modification 114 – Extending the data available to Suppliers under K24.3(I))

(Report to Panel 18 October 2018)

<https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0663>

2.4. 0668S – Enabling permissions for the provision of information to Alt Han Company to support smart metering roll-out (including IGT Modification 116 – Enabling permissions for the provision of information to Alt Han Company to support smart metering roll-out)

(Report to Panel 17 January 2019)

<https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0668>

3. Issues

3.1. ISS 0070 – Consequences of SPAA Change Proposal 0443

Please refer to the discussions on outstanding actions 0801 and 0802 below.

3.2. New Issues

None.

4. Review of Outstanding Actions

Action DX0801: Joint Office to raise a new issue on the UNC Issues Register in relation to SPAA Change Proposal 0443.

Update: BF explained that this action had been completed. **Closed**

Action DX0802: Joint Office to contact SPAA to understand what is needed in relation to a Joint Workgroup.

Update: RP explained that as he has been liaising with the SPAA on this matter, and it was not felt that a joint workgroup is necessary at this point in time.

However, RP went on to suggest that whilst industry considerations remain ongoing, he is of the opinion that the data release from Supplier to Transporter interactions needs to be better understood, so that the full impacts can be assessed by all relevant parties.

BF highlighted that some industry parties have voiced concerns relating to the contractual arrangements around data transfers and associated SPAA communications mechanisms, and whether these are by passing Shippers as they might not be SPAA members – it was felt by those in attendance that this is more of a DSC to SPAA relationship matter. When KD pointed out that the Retail Energy Code should ‘cover off’ some of these concerns in due course, RP referenced the PSR change requirements and other industry contractual arrangements that do not include, or place an obligation on Shippers. BF noted that this is why the issue was raised in the first instance.

It was agreed that the action could now be closed, on the grounds that RP would provide further updates to the Workgroup on this matter in due course. **Closed**

Action DX0803: Joint Office to consider if the 0666 (Urgent) Workgroup meeting due to be held on Tuesday 28 August 2018 can be moved to an earlier time.

Update: BF explained that this action had been completed. **Closed**

Action DX0804: Xoserve (RH) to provide a report on 0632S Shipper asset details reconciliation.

Update: In referring to a copy of the Xoserve communication 2054 – RJ – RH ‘Modification 0632 Report’, RH advised that this communication, as published on the Joint Office web site, had been issued to interested parties on 22 August 2018.

RH then went on to advise that at the recent DSC Change Management Committee meeting, a new Change Proposal was raised to ensure that monthly updates on this matter are provided going forwards. **Closed**

5. Any Other Business

5.1. Impact of SEC Mod0006 – options paper (SV)

SV provided a brief overview of the SIF 020 – Solution Options paper (reference SEG/20181003/03-03) and explained that this had originally been presented to the Workgroup at the 26 July 2018 meeting.

When SV went on to explain that the RFI responses had now come back, KD suggested that this really has the ‘feel’ of a DSC/DSG Technical Workgroup matter in order to undertake due consideration and that it might be prudent to wait and see what the outcomes from the next SEG meeting are, before looking to consider the matter in more detail at a forthcoming DSC Change Management Committee meeting (i.e. a similar approach to the PSR matter). The consensus amongst those in attendance was that this is a DSC Change Management Committee matter, rather than a Distribution Workgroup issue.

ER pointed out that at present, there is no certainty over what nature or form any associated system changes would take. Responding, KD suggested that mindful of the Release timelines, it might be prudent to raise a suitable XRN (Change Proposal) before the next DSC Change Management Committee meeting on the grounds that it could always be withdrawn at a later date.

When asked, RH confirmed that this is just a SMETs 2 impact / consideration.

When asked, the attendees agreed that this item could now be removed from future Distribution Workgroup agendas going forwards.

6. Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at:

<https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month>

Time / Date	Venue	Workgroup Programme
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10.30, Thursday 25 October 2018	Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW	Distribution Workgroup standard Agenda
10.00, Thursday 22 November 2018	Radcliffe House, Blenheim Court, Warwick Road, Solihull B91 2AA	Distribution Workgroup standard Agenda
10.00, Tuesday 17 December 2018	Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW	Distribution Workgroup standard Agenda

Action Table (as at 27 September 2018)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0801	23/08/18	4.0	To raise a new issue on the UNC Issues Register in relation to SPAA Change Proposal 0443.	Joint Office	Update provided. Closed
0802	23/08/18	4.0	To contact SPAA to understand what is needed in relation to a Joint Workgroup.	Joint Office	Update provided. Closed
0803	23/08/18	5.0	To consider if the 0666 (Urgent) Workgroup meeting due to be held on Tuesday 28 August 2018 can be moved to an earlier time.	Joint Office	Update provided. Closed
0804	23/08/18	5.0	To provide a report on 0632S Shipper asset details reconciliation.	Xoserve (RH)	Update provided. Closed