

*INDICATIVE WORDING OF LETTER TO BE ISSUED ON 19 MAY
(FOLLOWING MAY UNC COMMITTEE MEETING)*

To:

UNC Parties, including Shippers and Large Gas Transporters
The Joint Office of the Gas Transporters
Ofgem
The AUGÉ

18 May 2023

Dear Colleague

Allocation of Unidentified Gas (AUG) Process – Request for Feedback

2022/23 saw the seventh application of the post-Nexus Allocation of Unidentified Gas processes, as introduced by UNC Modification 0473. It was the fifth year of applying the updated version of the “Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert”, which was developed in UNC Review Group 0639 (Review of AUGÉ Framework and Arrangements) to address many of the industry’s concerns with the previous process. The latest Framework document was approved by UNC Committee in June 2018 and can be found under UNC Related Documents:

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

This was the third year in the AUGÉ role for Engage Consulting Ltd, who were appointed in June 2020. The outputs of the process for 2022/23, which included seven meetings of the UNC AUG Sub-Committee, can be found on the Joint Office website. The AUGÉ revised the proposed Statement and Table of Unidentified Gas Weighting Factors following the approval of UNC Modification 0840 and the revised Table was approved at an extraordinary UNC Committee on 26 April.

UNC AUG Sub-Committee: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/aug>

26 April UNC Committee: <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/uncc/260423>

Final AUG Statement and Table: <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/AUGStatement2324>

The AUG Framework includes a requirement for the Central Data Services Provider (the “CDSP” – Xoserve) to seek feedback on “the activities and performance of the AUGE and the industry for the creation of the AUGS” and to report to the UNC Committee (section 7.4 of the revised Framework).

I would like to request your feedback on the events of the AUG Expert Year 2022/23, i.e. the development of the AUG Statement and Table of UIG Weighting Factors for Gas Year 2023, and any suggestions for improvements.

Areas on which you may consider providing feedback include:

- The AUG Framework document, e.g. timeline, clarity of scope and responsibilities
- The AUGE for such areas as: communication, industry engagement, query responses etc.
- The industry, e.g. for support for the process and timeliness/relevance of responses to consultations
- Xoserve/Correla, e.g. for the provision of information

The intention is to produce a review report on the 2022/23 process for presentation to July 2023 UNCC meeting, including any recommendations for further improvement.

Please submit your responses to analytical.services@xoserve.com by Friday 9 June 2023. Please advise whether you are happy for your feedback to be made public (which will probably be as an appendix to the report).

If you have any questions regarding this topic please do not hesitate to contact me via the email address below.

Kind regards

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