Report for Uniform Network Code Committee
February 2008
UK Link Committee

Meetings Held

14 February 2008

Planned

13 March 2008

Matters for Uniform Network Code Committee's Attention

UK Link members were concerned at an apparent breach of Code associated with the ongoing implementation of the UK Link Technology Refresh change request prior to formal Authority approval (or rejection) of the corresponding UNC Modification Proposal 0184.

UK Link Modifications Activity

UK Link Modifications Implemented

13943 **ECB File – FBB Contact Type**

This was implemented 11 January 2008.

13902 **Gemini MTI and MEI Class 1 Modification**

This was implemented 27 January 2008.

UK Link Modifications Discussed

13824.3 **Issue of Supporting Documentation via IX**

Committee discussed seeking an April 2008 implementation.

N/A **Gemini Release Summer 2008**

Committee discussed the xoserve presentation as provided, culminating in an xoserve commitment to issue a file format communication inviting Shippers to register and take part in a Gemini 2008 Release trial.

N/A **UK Link Tech Refresh**

Committee discussed the xoserve presentation as provided, culminating in xoserve confirming the contingency arrangements covering delayed nomination files and consequential rejections.

13861 **Rejections associated with Shipper AQ Amendments**

Committee discussed the adoption of a 'notional' implementation date of 23/02/08, whilst the actual implementation date will be prior to this. 1st issue of the associated rejection notices is expected to be around the AQ window in May 08. As the system changes have not yet been applied, this change will drop back into the revised May implementation timeline. Remains on the plan for visibility purposes only.

13829 **DN Interruption Reform**

Remains on schedule for a 29/03/08 implementation. The Committee discussed the approval of the two file format changes, culminating in giving their approval.

N/A **User Pays**

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Remains on schedule for a 01/04/08 implementation. The Committee discussed how best to progress this change in light of the fact that UNC modification 0188/0188A has yet to be approved by the Authority. As this is related to a Transporter licence obligation, members agreed that any information is helpful.

Topic Discussed

008UKL   **UK Link Technology Refresh**

xoserve gave an update presentation. Members discussed in detail, the various explanations on the provision and utilisation of updated Shipper Contact Listing, and the feedback on contingency arrangements covering delayed nomination files and consequential rejections as provided by xoserve, An update on the PRN and ratchet file processing during catch up was provided to the satisfaction of the UK Link members. Members then discussed the next steps which include the issuing of the Final pre Go-live Shipper communications, completion of the Bulk migration activities and other work associated with pre-implementation and the commencement of the Go-live Cutover.

UK Link Committee – UK Link Modification Status Report – February 2008

UK Link Mod Ref	Mod Title	Received	Organisation	Status	Next Step(s)
13885	Application of interruptible capacity discounts following a change in capacity/commodity split	04/06/07	Transporters	Implementation agreed for 10/08.	Requirements under review.
13824.3	Issue of Supporting Documentation via IX	08/11/07	Transporters	Implementation scheduled for 04/08.	Awaiting implementation scheduling.
13950	Gemini Release Summer 2008	10/01/08	Transporters	Implementation to be agreed – proposed date 17/08/08.	In Analysis.
N/A	UK Link Tech Refresh	08/06/06	Transporters	Implementation agreed for 23/02/08.	Execution of implementation plan.
13861	Rejections associated with Shipper AQ Amendments	02/04/07	Transporters	Implementation agreed for 23/02/08.	Execution of implementation plan.
13829	DN Interruption Reform	11/01/07	Transporters	Implementation agreed for 1st stage on 29/03/08 & 2nd stage on 10/05/08.	Execution of implementation plan.
13935	Restriction of Invoice Billing Period	29/06/07	Transporters	Implementation agreed for 01/04/08.	Execution of implementation plan.
N/A	User Pays	08/11/07	Transporters	Implementation agreed for 01/04/08.	Execution of implementation plan.
13923	Revision to the USRV Financial Incentives Arrangements	24/09/07	Transporters	To be confirmed.	Execution of implementation plan.
13943	ECB File – FBB Contact Type	13/12/07	Transporters	Implemented 11/01/08.	None.
13902	Gemini MTI and MEI Class 1 Modification	09/08/07	Transporters	Implemented 27/01/08.	None.

UK Link Committee – Topic Status Report – February 2008

Topic No	Date Created	Topic Originator	Topic Title	Associated Modification Proposal(s)	Priority for Discussion (H/M/L)	Status	Next Step(s)
008UKL	11/01/07	Transporters	UK Link Technology Refresh	None	H	xoserve gave a further presentations on 13/12/07, 10/01 & 14/02/08 highlighting the test schedule and plans for change-over. Shippers requested assurances that systems will be able to cope with the influx of files following the outage scheduled and other change-over aspects. Concerns were expressed on contingency and fallback arrangements to which xoserve agreed to respond. Project remains on track. In-house security (system penetration) testing completed on Ph 2. Thereafter, 3rd party security testing to commence early 2008. Detailed contingency arrangements discussed in the 'open forum' meeting. Specific discussions on contingency arrangements for delayed nomination files and consequential rejections undertaken along with identification of PRN file requirements. Concerns surrounding what is provided for within the scope of UNC 0184. xoserve provided explanations for the updated Shipper Contact List, feedback on contingency arrangements for delayed nomination files and consequential rejections, plus an update on the PRN and ratchet file processing during catch up to the satisfaction of the UK Link members. Members then discussed the next steps which include the issuing of the Final pre Go-live Shipper communications, completion of the Bulk migration activities and other work associated with pre-implementation and the commencement of the Go-live Cutover.	xoserve presentation and update to be provided at March 2008 UK Link Committee meeting.