

Uniform Network Code Committee
Minutes of the 158th Meeting held on Thursday 20 April 2017
at Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW

Attendees

Voting Members:

Shipper Representatives	Transporter Representatives
A Green (AG), Total A Love (AL), ScottishPower A Margan (AM), British Gas R Fairholme* (RF), Uniper S Mulinganie (SM), Gazprom	C Warner (CW), National Grid Gas Distribution H Chapman (HC), Scotia Gas Networks J Ferguson (JF), Northern Gas Networks M Hatch (MH), National Grid NTS R Pomroy (RP), Wales & West Utilities

Non-Voting Members:

Chairman	Ofgem Representative	Consumer Representative
A Plant (AP), Chair		

Also in Attendance:

L Jenkins (LJ), Deputy Chair; R Fletcher (RF), Secretary; R Hinsley (RH), Xoserve; and S Britten (SB), Cornwall Energy.

158.1 Note of any alternates attending meeting

M Hatch for D Lond National Grid NTS.

158.2 Apologies for Absence

D Lond.

158.3 Minutes and Actions from the previous meeting

The Minutes from 16 March 2017 meeting were approved.

158.4 Matters for the Committee's Attention

a) Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert

AM proposed a minor change to the "Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert" document to clarify which version of the AUG Statement would be published.

Members unanimously approved the amendment to the "Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert" document.

158.5 Any Other Business

a) AUG Statement

RH advised that the UNCC will be asked to vote on the AUG statement at its next meeting in May. Members were reminded that it would require a unanimous vote to disapprove the AUG Statement.

For reference, an indicative timeline is published at the following location:

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/augenex/1718>

b) AUGE proposals regarding potential shrinkage error and allocation of UAG in AUG year 2017/2018

SM advised that ICoSS had sent a letter to the AUGE concerning the inclusion of Shrinkage within the AUG process, which appears to be contrary to the previous scope of the AUGE. A copy of the letter has been published on the UNCC meeting page for today, although this was at short notice. He requested members to review the content.

JF was concerned that Shrinkage was being considered by the AUGE when this was subject to the Transporters licence and the regulatory funding regime and felt it should be out of scope for the AUGE.

SM felt that as Shrinkage is a Transporter issue, the AUGE should restrict its attentions to those areas influenced by Shippers activities. Should the AUGE continue to include Shrinkage, then ICoSS members were considering raising a modification to re open the AUGE process to formally include Shrinkage within the process and bring Transporters into the process, to ensure the responsible parties are involved.

SM was concerned that the information provided during the previous AUG meeting held on 13 April 2017, has not be published to inform parties who were not present at the meeting of the consequences of including the Shrinkage aspects with the AUG process.

AM felt that if the AUGE is being asked to consider or identify sources of Unidentified Gas, if this is what the AUGE has done they should not be criticised for doing their job.

158.6 Next Meeting

Thursday 18 May 2017, immediately after the UNC Modification Panel meeting.

Action Table (20 April 2017)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update