Modification 0565A Central Data Service Provider: General framework and obligations , and UK Link User Agreement approval for FGO implementation

1. Introduction

Modification 0565A sets out the establishment of the Data Services Contract (DSC) (to be entered into by relevant parties) and the UK Link User Agreement (to be entered into by Trader Users), see General Terms D section 1.6.2, extract below:

1.6 Trader Users

1.6.1 This Section D, other than paragraph 5, does not apply in relation to Trader Users (which are not users of CDSP Services for the purposes of paragraph 1.2.6) and, except in paragraph 5, references in this Section D to a Party do not include a Trader User.

1.6.2 Trader Users are required (pursuant to TPD Section V2.1.2(j)) to be party to a UK Link User Agreement with the CDSP.

When Modification 0565 and alternates were submitted to Modification Panel and issued for consultation, the UK Link User Agreement had not been completed and so did not form part of the modification documents. In order to allow Modification 0565 and alternates to proceed it was agreed at various industry meetings that the UK Link User Agreement would follow later, be subject to a workgroup review stage, and then submitted to the UNCC for approval as a UNC document.

2. UK Link User Agreement

The UK Link User Agreement has now been completed. It is written using the DSC as its basis. The majority of the UK Link User Agreement aligns to the DSC. However, as the UK Link User Agreement is a bi-lateral contract (the DSC is a multi-party contract) it varies slightly to provide for this. The UK Link User Agreement references the DSC for the service description and references the Annual Charging Statement for the associated charges.

The UK Link User Agreement was presented at the FGO Workgroup meeting on 31st January 2017. It was also provided separately to each relevant party.

A matter noted at the FGO Workgroup meeting was how the UK Link User Agreement would be amended from time to time. In the event that the UK Link User Agreement is to be amended, the draft amendments would be presented to the UK Link User signatories and the DSC Contract Management Committee for review. The DSC Contract Management Committee is consulted as the DSC customers bear any risks under the UK Link User Agreement. Once agreement on the change is reached the changes would be made. Note that the UK Link User Agreement references the DSC for the services, any service changes

would originate in the DSC under the DSC change process and would automatically apply to the UK Link User Agreement.

3. Recommendation

The UNCC is requested to approve the implementation of the UK Link User Agreement as part of the suite of Modification 0565A documents.