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Purpose of Modification:

This UNC Modification is necessary to create the UK Link Manual (a CDSP Service Document) as part of the Data Services Contract (DSC).

The Workgroup recommends that this modification should:



- be subject to self-governance
- returned to Workgroup for assessment

The Panel will consider this Workgroup Report on 15 June 2017. The Panel will consider the recommendations and determine the appropriate next steps.



Low Impact:

Central Data Service Provider, Transporters (including iGTs), Shippers.



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The Proposer recommends the following timetable:		Systems Provider:
Initial consideration by Workgroup	23 March 2017	Xoserve
Workgroup Report presented to Panel	17 August 2017	
Draft Modification Report issued for consultation	17 August 2017	commercial.enquiri
Consultation Close-out for representations	08 September 2017	es@xoserve.com
Final Modification Report available for Panel	11 September 2017	
Modification Panel decision	21 September 2017 (short notice)	



1 Summary

What

Under UNC Modification 0565A Central Data Service Provider: General framework and obligations, UNC Transportation Principal Document (TPD) Section U was deleted; some rules were moved to General Terms, Section D and other rules where included in a revised UK Link Manual which now exists as a CDSP Service Document, being one of the component documents comprising the new Data Services Contract. During development of Modification 0565A there was insufficient time to develop a comprehensively revised UK Link Manual. Therefore the UK Link Manual Framework Document was developed in recognition that a revised UK Link Manual would be prepared in anticipation of Project Nexus implementation (01 June 2017). This Modification seeks to amend the DSC by creating a new and revised UK Link Manual document which will replace the existing manual.

Why

This Modification is proposed in order to create a new and revised UK Link Manual which is up to date and fully reflects the requirements of Project Nexus and the new role of Xoserve as the CDSP.

How

The DSC UK Link Manual has been developed based upon the Ofgem Funding Governance and Ownership (FGO) review of Xoserve and Modification 0565A principles. The majority of the changes are structural in nature; the detail of the existing UK Link Manual e.g. the file formats and hierarchy are not amended by this modification.

2 Governance

Justification for Self-Governance

This Modification

Panel determined the modification is unlikely to have a material effect on UNC governance or modification procedures because it brings into effect an arrangement already established by UNC Modification 0565A. It creates the UK Link Manual under the DSC and as such is a non-material changes to the services under the UNC.

Modification 0613S will therefore follow self-governance procedures.

Requested Next Steps

This modification should:

- be considered a non-material change and subject to self-governance
- returned to Workgroup for further assessment

3 Why Change?

This Modification is proposed in order to create a new and revised UK Link Manual which is up to date and fully reflects the requirements of Project Nexus and the new role of Xoserve as the CDSP.



The UK Link Manual Framework Document, see paragraph 1.5.4 in the following link http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/UK Link Manual Framework Document.pdf explains that prior to the Project Nexus Implementation Date (01 June 2017), a revision of the UK Link Manual will be required in the context of the Nexus Modifications and it is intended that, as part of such revision, the different component parts of the UK Link Manual will be consolidated into a new and revised UK Link Manual.

This is a significant change and while in principle, the DSC Committee change route could be followed, it is proposed that UNC Modification procedures be followed to ensure full transparency and visibility of the change.

4 Code Specific Matters

Reference Documents

UNC General Terms GT Section D5

DSC Terms and Condition Clause 6

CDSP Service Document - UK Link Manual

Knowledge/Skills

No specific knowledge or skills are necessary

5 Solution

Modification of the DSC is necessary to replace the current UK Link Manual with a new and revised UK Link Manual document.

6 Impacts & Other Considerations

Does this modification impact a Significant Code Review (SCR) or other significant industry change projects, if so, how?

Neither the SCR nor any significant industry change project is impacted.

Consumer Impacts

No consumer impacts are identified. The UK Link Manual is solely concerned with systems and process interactions between UNC parties.

Consumer Impact Assessment (Workgroup assessment of proposer initial view or subsequent information)		
Criteria	Extent of Impact	
Which Consumer groups are affected?	No consumer would be impacted should this modification be implemented.	
What costs or benefits will pass through to them?	Not applicable.	



When will these costs/benefits impact upon consumers?	Not applicable
Are there any other Consumer Impacts?	None identified.

Cross Code Impacts

No cross-code impacts have been identified [is this correct iGTs?]

EU Code Impacts

No EU Code impacts identified.

Central Systems Impacts

No central systems impacts have been identified as the UK Link Manual documents existing processes established by Project Nexus.

Workgroup Impact Assessment

The Workgroup notes that due to the complex nature of the UK Link Manual and its supporting documents, more time is required to assess and confirm their fitness for purpose. Therefore more time is being requested.

The Workgroup notes that Transporters intend to raise a Modification with a similar intent to "Modification 0617S - Revised UK Link Manual delivery date" and that a new implementation date is to be requested.

Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM) Assessment

A Cost estimate is not required from the CDSP. This modification creates a new and revised UK Link Manual which is up to date and fully reflects the requirements of Project Nexus and the new role of Xoserve as the CDSP. The administration costs of undertaking this exercise will have already been accounted for under Project Nexus and Modification 0565.

7 Relevant Objectives

Impact of the modification on the Relevant Objectives:		
Relevant Objective	Identified impact	
a) Efficient and economic operation of the pipe-line system.	None	
b) Coordinated, efficient and economic operation of	None	
(i) the combined pipe-line system, and/ or		
(ii) the pipe-line system of one or more other relevant gas transporters.		
c) Efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations.	None	
d) Securing of effective competition:	None	



	(i) between relevant shippers;	
	(ii) between relevant suppliers; and/or(iii) between DN operators (who have entered into transportation arrangements with other relevant gas transporters) and relevant shippers.	
e)	Provision of reasonable economic incentives for relevant suppliers to secure that the domestic customer supply security standards are satisfied as respects the availability of gas to their domestic customers.	None
f)	Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code.	Positive
g)	Compliance with the Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.	None

This Modification seeks to ensure that the terms identified within Section 1.5.4 of the CDSP Service Document, being the 'transitional' UK Link Manual Framework Document can be met. In addition, this Modification provides that an "enduring' UK-Link Manual can be implemented thereby removing the transitional document. In both of the above cases, this clarification facilitates GT Licence relevant objective f) 'Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code'.

8 Implementation

As self-governance procedures are proposed, implementation could be sixteen business days after a Modification Panel decision to implement, subject to no Appeal being raised.

9 Legal Text

Text Commentary

To be provided.

Text

TRANSPORTATION PRINCIPAL DOCUMENT

GENERAL TERMS – SECTION D – CDSP AND UK LINK

[To confirm no changes required]

DATA SERVICES CONTRACT

CDSP SERVICE DOCUMENT – UK LINK MANUAL

Delete all the text in the UK Link Manual (comprising both the UK Link Manual Framework Document and the Annex – UK Link Terms and Conditions) and replace with the document(s) attached as Annex [].



10 Recommendations

Workgroup's Recommendation to Panel

The Workgroup asks Panel to return this Modification to Workgroup for further assessment.