# Uniform Network Code Committee Minutes of the 168<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 18 January 2018 at Elexon, 350 Euston Road, London NW1 3AW

## Attendees

## Voting Members:

| Shipper Representatives    | Transporter Representatives           |  |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| A Green (AG), Total        | C Warner (CW), Cadent Gas             |  |
| A Love (AL), Independent   | D Lond (DL), National Grid NTS        |  |
| A Margan (AM), British Gas | H Chapman (HC), SGN                   |  |
| E Wells (EW), Corona       | S Key* (SK), Northern Gas Networks    |  |
| R Fairholme (RF), Uniper   | R Pomroy (RP), Wales & West Utilities |  |
| S Mulinganie (SM), Gazprom | N Rozier* (NR), BUUK Infrastructure   |  |

## **Non-Voting Members:**

| Chairperson     | Ofgem<br>Representative | Consumer<br>Representatives     | Independent<br>Supplier<br>Representative |  |
|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|
| M Shurmer (MS), | J Dixon (JD)            | S Horne (SH)<br>E Proffitt (EP) | N Anderson (NA)                           |  |

## Also in Attendance:

F Cottam\* (FC), Xoserve; J Atherton (JA), Citizen's Advice; M Bellman (MB) ScottishPower; P Garner (PG), Joint Office; R Fletcher (RFI), Joint Office; R Hailes (RHa), Secretary; R Hinsley (RHi), Xoserve and S Britton\* (SBr), Cornwall Insight.

\* by teleconference

## Note of any alternates attending meeting

S Key for J Ferguson (Northern Gas Networks) J Dixon for R Elliot (Ofgem)

## Apologies for Absence

R Elliot

## Minutes and Actions from the previous meeting

The Minutes from the 21 December 2017 meeting were approved.

#### Matters for the Committee's Attention

## a) Subcommittee attendance

Members considered the attendance data provided, noted that a rolling view would potentially be helpful. However, membership can change from Gas Year to Gas Year. Members suggested the data is made available before elections. Equivalent data is also monitored for panel.

#### b) Amendment to the AUGE framework document

RP outlined the background to the suggested change in section 5.1.2 of the document, illustrating that shrinkage is a licence matter (reference was made to UNC TPD 9.1.1, 9.4.1 and 9.4.2.). According to the UNC, shrinkage is part of Unidentified Gas. If the AUGE were to determine that a systematic error in the shrinkage model, this would be a dual governance issue; the licence process gives one answer; UNC, which is subordinate, gives another. The proposed changes to the guidance document (Uniform Network Code – Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert) aim to clarify this matter. The principle is to avoid dual governance.

Distribution workgroup had the opportunity to comment on the proposed changes. UNCC voted by majority to accept the changes proposed.

#### c) PAC constituency, construction and voting

The aim of the amendments to the PAC Terms of Reference proposed in a late paper to UNCC by AM, is to widen the shipper membership and to propose a new quoracy suggestion of two transporter members and four shipper members. The proposed amendments will be presented to PAC itself, with views being brought back in an updated paper to UNCC in February 2018. PAC is asked to consider whether there would be enough interest to fill any additional seats. The Joint Office will provide input as to when it would be appropriate to implement the changes.

#### **Next Meeting:**

Thursday 15 February 2018, immediately after the UNC Modification Panel meeting.

| Act<br>Re | Meeting<br>Date | Minute<br>Ref | Action | Owner | Status<br>Update |
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|           |                 |               | (none) |       |                  |

## Action Table (18 January 2017)