

Uniform Network Code Committee
Minutes of Meeting 211 held on Thursday 17 June 2021
Via Teleconference

Attendees			
Voting Members:			
Shipper Representatives		Transporter Representatives	
A Green (AG), Total Gas and Power D Fittock (DF), Corona Energy M Bellman (MB), ScottishPower M Jones (MJ), SSE R Fairholme (RF), Uniper S Mulinganie (SM), Gazprom		D Lond (DL), National Grid G Dosanjh (GD), Cadent D Mitchell (DM), SGN A Travell (AT), BUUK R Pomroy (RP), Wales & West Utilities T Saunders (TS), Northern Gas Networks	
Non-Voting Members:			
Chairperson	Ofgem Representative	Consumer Representatives	Independent Supplier Representative
W Goldwag (WG)	R Fernie (RFe)		(None)
Also, in Attendance: B Fletcher (BF), Joint Office; C Aguirre (CA), Pavilion Energy; E Rogers (ER), Xoserve - CDSP Representative; F Cottam (FC), Correla on behalf of Xoserve; K Elleman (KE), Joint Office; P Garner (PG), Joint Office; R Hailes (RH), Committee Secretary			

Copies of all papers are available at: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/uncc/170621>

211.1 Note of any alternates attending the meeting

D Mitchell on behalf of H Chapman, SGN

211.2 Apologies for Absence

H Chapman, SGN

211.3 Minutes and Actions from the previous meeting

The 20 May 2021 meeting minutes were approved.

211.4 Review of Actions

No outstanding actions.

211.5 Matters for the Committee's Attention

a) Review of the AUG Year Review Report

F Cottam (FC) provided a presentation on the AUG Year Review Report.

Xoserve published a request for feedback on the AUG (Allocation of Unidentified Gas) Year 2020/21 process on 20 April 2021, and asked for responses by 17 May 2021.

Feedback was received from five parties: ICoSS, three Gas Shippers and the AUG Expert.

The three Gas Shippers gave feedback on the process as set out in the AUG Framework, and on the AUG's outputs.

The ICoSS feedback was that there was insufficient time in the process to review the proposed methodology for 2021/22 and that they did not believe that the AUG's outputs met the requirements of the AUG Framework.

The AUG Expert felt that the AUG process worked well and that the timescales were appropriate to deliver robust outcomes.

FC confirmed the report has been published on the Joint Office website for the AUG process year 2021/22 at <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/augenex2122>.

The responses from industry parties mentioned above have been published alongside the report.

The aim is to provide an input based on the report into Workgroup *0767 - Incorporation of AUG Framework Document into the UNC main body*:

<https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0767>

FC advised that ICoSS have submitted a document concerning options for the AUG process including alternative methods of approach. The document proposes an Xoserve group is established to consider AUG process options and methods. The CDSP considers it to be more inclusive if a UNC review group is established to manage such a review. The aim currently is to consider alternative methods of approach at the next AUG Sub-committee meeting due to be held on 02 July 2021.

S Mulinganie (SM) noted that Xoserve have not formally responded to ICoSS concerning the alternative approach document. FC advised that the content is still being considered at this time and that they would provide a response.

SM advised they would review the response from Xoserve and consider raising a UNC Request to consider alternative approaches.

Members noted the content of the report and thanked FC for the presentation.

211.6 AOB

a) AUG Framework – Audit Process

SM noted that following discussions with other participants concerning the development of UNC Modification 0767, he was considering if an independent audit process would be beneficial to demonstrate compliance with the AUG Framework. He wanted to understand the best approach or what would need to be changed to achieve this aim.

B Fletcher (BF) suggested that this would be dependent on the parties responsible for arranging the audit. There might be a requirement to put a high-level requirement in Code, with additional detail in the AUG Framework document.

FC suggested that the framework could be amended and depending on who should undertake the review/audit. This might require a UNC or DSC change or possibly both.

P Garner (PG) suggested that audit would need to be built into the AUG process timeline to ensure its outputs did not conflict with the timetable for publishing the AUG Table.

M Bellman (MB), wanted to understand the scope of the audit and its nature, is the audit to demonstrate compliance with the AUG Framework. He wanted clarity on who would undertake the audit and their responsibilities.

New Action UNCC06/01: The Joint Office to arrange a meeting to discuss the requirements needed to establish an AUG Process audit. This should include defining the scope and impacts on the timeline. Meeting attendees to include FC and SM.

211.7 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on 15 July 2021, immediately after the UNC Modification Panel meeting on that date.

Action Table (17 June 2021)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
UNCC 06/01	17/06/2021	211.6a)	Arrange a meeting to discuss the requirements needed to establish an AUG Process audit. This should include defining the scope and impacts on the timeline. Meeting attendees to include FC and SM.	Joint Office A Raper (AR)	PENDING