

Uniform Network Code Committee
Minutes of Meeting 209 held on Thursday 15 April 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 R Cailles (RC), BU UK 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: C Aguirre (CA), Pavilion Energy; C Whitehouse (CW), Shell Energy; E Rogers (ER), Xoserve - CDSP Representative; F Cottam (FC), Correla on behalf of Xoserve; G MacGregor (GM), Utilita; Maitrayee Bhowmick-Jewkes (MBJ), Joint Office; P Garner (PG), Joint Office; R Hailes (RH), Panel Secretary; R Johnstone (RJ), Utilita			

Copies of all papers are available at: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/uncc/150421>

209.1 Note of any alternates attending the meeting

D Mitchell on behalf of H Chapman, SGN

209.2 Apologies for Absence

H Chapman, SGN

209.3 Minutes and Actions from the previous meeting

The 18 March 2021 meeting minutes were approved.

209.4 Review of Actions

No outstanding actions.

209.5 Matters for the Committee's Attention

a) Allocation of Unidentified Gas Statement and Table for Gas Year 2021/22

The Committee Chair (WG) asked P Garner (PG) to clarify the rules to approve the Unidentified Gas Statement (AUGS) and Table for Gas Year 2021/22 and to replace the proposed Final AUG Table.

PG reminded Committee Members that the UNCC has an obligation to consider the final AUG table of UIG Weighting Factors as set out in UNC TPD Section E Paragraph 9.4.3 (g) and (h). She highlighted that the proposed AUG Table is approved unless there is a unanimous vote to approve a modified AUG table.

WG asked F Cottam (FC) to go through the presentation outlining the process leading up to the provision of the AUGS and covering the options and actions for consideration by Members. WG asked Committee Members to provide comments following the presentation.

S Mulinganie (SM) noted the AUG Expert (AUGE) has stated they have complied with the AUG Framework, but this is not accepted by the entire industry. SM advised, in the absence of a robust dispute process under the UNCC, he had raised a new draft Modification proposing to move the AUG Framework from the UNCC to the UNC as he did not believe the current governance process under the UNCC was appropriate. WG noted that this draft Modification is a separate issue, which will be considered by UNC Modification Panel with when the Modification is formally raised.

D Lond (DL) noted that the AUGE contract is with Xoserve and asked whether Xoserve believed the AUGE had complied with the AUG Framework. FC advised on behalf of Xoserve that Xoserve believes the AUGE has been compliant.

i) Gazprom Energy proposal to replace the proposed Final AUG Table

SM advised that Gazprom Energy had sought guidance from Ofgem on how to resolve their concerns with the current AUGS and table and had been advised that the industry should manage this issue. In response, SM for Gazprom wished to propose a modified AUG Table (in accordance with UNC TPD Section E 9.4.3 (h) i). The modified AUG table being proposed would be the AUG table from the year 2020/21, which was proposed to be rolled over to replace the current table.

WG asked the Committee to vote on the below options:

1. Did any party support the alternative Table proposed by Gazprom (rolling over the Table from 2020/21 AUGS)?
2. Did any party propose to amend the current table?

Vote Outcome	Shipper Voting Members						Transporter Voting Members					IGT Voting Member
	AG	DF	MB	MJ	RF	SM	DL	GD	DM	RP	TS	RC
Does any party support the alternative Table proposed by Gazprom – majority vote against (8/13)	Y	Y	X	Y	X	Y	X	X	X	X	X	X
Does any party propose any changes to the Table - majority vote against (11/13)	X	X	X	X	X	Y	X	X	X	X	X	X

WG confirmed there was no unanimous approval of either option from the Committee, and that therefore the AUGS and Table proposed by the AUGE were both approved.

FC noted that she would publish the review of the AUGS production process for consultation before the May meeting and allow the industry three weeks to reply and the findings and recommendations would be presented to the UNCC on 17 June 2021.

S Mulinganie confirmed that Gazprom had drafted a new Modification proposing to move the AUG Framework from under the governance of the UNCC into the UNC itself, as he did not believe the current governance process under the UNCC was appropriate. This Modification will be considered as a pre-Modification at Distribution Workgroup on 22 April 2021.

b) Amendment to Ratchet Process Guidance Document Name

D Mitchell (DM) advised the Committee that following the approval of the Fast-Track Modification 0757FT - Amendment to Ratchet Process Guidance Document Name, the associated guidance document required approval for implementation at the same time as Modification 0757FT.

UNCC were asked to approve the change in name for this document. Unanimous approval was received.

c) Proposed change to DESC Representative

R Hailes (RH) advised that Zoe Ireland wished to resign as a Demand Estimation Sub-Committee (DESC) and DESC Technical Workgroup member.

As set out in the DESC Terms of Reference, it is in the gift of the UNCC to allow the DESC member's standing alternate to replace them as a DESC Member. Zoe Ireland had requested that Dan Stenson replace her as DESC Representative. The Committee were asked to approve Dan Stenson replacing Zoe Ireland as a DESC Representative.

UNCC voted to approve the membership change.

Dan Stenson will also be a DESC Technical Workgroup member, this does not require UNCC approval.

d) Review of UNC Guidelines for User Representative Process

RH advised that the UNC Guidelines for User Representative Process was available for annual review, although, no changes to it have been proposed. No changes were proposed by Committee Members.

209.6 AOB

a) Shrinkage Forum Meetings Recommendation

RH advised that the Shrinkage Forum were proposing to amend the frequency of its meetings from four meetings a year to two meetings a year. RH clarified this was because of a lack of Shipper engagement. The next meetings would be in November 2021 and January 2022 and would be aligned with the Shrinkage and Leakage Model Reviews.

209.7 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on 20 May 2021, immediately after the UNC Modification Panel meeting on that date.

Action Table (15 April 2021)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update