PAFA Approval Renewal

Email sent by Fiona Cottam, Xoserve to the Joint Office on 03 September 2019.

Good afternoon Joint Office

In case you haven't had a chance to see this in the Joint Office inbox ...

We would like to cancel tomorrow's meeting for the reasons set out below. Could you please pass this explanation on to the attendees with my apologies for the confusion.

Xoserve has now reviewed the governance arrangements relating to the PAFA extension and now proposes that there is no need for additional approval by any DSC Committee prior to a contract award or extension.

The DSC includes specific service lines for the appointment of the Performance Assurance Framework Administrator (PAFA) and Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert (AUGE) by the CDSP. These are Direct Services – Code Services under Service Area 3 – lines 10 and 12 respectively. Both of these services are 100% funded by Shippers.

The costs of these services are included in Maintain the Business within Xoserve's Business Plan and are subject to internal governance prior to entering into any contracts. Undertaking the appointment is an existing service line, so DSC Contract Management Committee would be informed of an appointment/extension, as it relates to the ongoing delivery of a DSC service line.

In this case the decision to extend the PAFA's contract was made at Performance Assurance Committee in Autumn 2018.

During a procurement process, the detailed requirements would be provided by the relevant industry forum: PAC for PAFA and UNCC/AUG Sub-Committee for AUGE. Xoserve would keep the same industry forum informed of progress throughout the process, and a Stakeholder Evaluation Panel would be closely involved in any selection process. DSC Contract Management Committee would be informed of the final appointment.

We apologise for any confusion caused by uncertainty about governance arrangements and we would welcome feedback on this approach.

At Xoserve we love feedback! If you would like to leave some about me, please do so here.

Kind regards,

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