

**UNC Workgroup 0862  
Amendments to the current Unidentified Gas Reconciliation Period  
arrangements**

**Thursday 25 January 2024**

**via Microsoft Teams**

<b>Attendees</b>		
Rebecca Hailes (Chair)	(RHa)	Joint Office
Nikita Bagga (Secretary)	(NB)	Joint Office
Aidan Lo	(AL)	Joint Office
Andy Clasper	(AC)	Cadent Gas
Catriona Ballard	(CB)	Brookgreen Supply
Charlotte Gilbert	(CG)	BU-UK
Colin Wainwright	(CW)	SGN
Dan Simons	(DS)	Joint Office
Dave Addison	(DA)	CDSP
David Mitchell	(DMi)	SGN
David Morley	(DMo)	Ovo Energy
Edward Allard	(EA)	Cadent Gas
Ellie Rogers	(ER)	CDSP
Fiona Cottam	(FC)	CDSP
James Lomax	(JLo)	Cornwall Insight
Julie Chou	(JC)	Wales & West Utilities
Josie Lewis	(JL)	CDSP
Lee Greenwood	(LG)	Centrica
Louise Hellyer	(LH)	TotalEnergies Gas & Power
Mark Cockayne	(MC)	Joint Office
Matt Marshall	(MM)	Cadent Gas
Paige Leigh-Wilkes	(PW)	Cadent Gas
Steve Mulinganie	(SM)	SEFE Energy Limited
Susan Helders	(SH)	NGN
Tom Stuart	(TSu)	Wales & West Utilities
Tracey Saunders	(TS)	NGN

*This Workgroup meeting will be considered quorate provided at least two Transporter and two Shipper User representatives are present.*

*Please note these minutes do not replicate/include detailed content provided, therefore it is recommended that the published material is reviewed in conjunction with these minutes. Copies of all papers are available at: <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0862/250124>.*

*The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 18 April 2024.*

## 1. Introduction and Status Review

Rebecca Hailes (RHa) welcomed all parties to the meeting.

Steve Mulinganie (SM) provided an overview of the Modification, explaining that it is in relation to apportioning the UIG charge correctly. SM will be providing a more in-depth presentation at the next meeting on 22 February.

### 1.1 Approval of Minutes (11 December 2023)

The previous minutes were approved.

### 1.2 Approval of Late Papers

A tracked version of the Modification was provided to the Workgroup late, however Workgroup wished to review the material and so the document was accepted.

### 1.3 Review of Outstanding Actions

**1101:** CDSP (ER) to consider the best delivery path for this Modification and any transitional arrangements likely required.

**Update:** It was agreed amongst the Workgroup that this action would be closed as the action is covered below under consideration of the ROM. **Closed.**

**1102:** JO (RHa) to remove generalised Panel questions in the Workgroup Report (WGR).

**Update:** RHa advised she would need to look into this and it was therefore agreed that this action would be carried forward. **Carried Forward**

## 2. Consider Industry Feedback

The Workgroup reviewed the amended Modification published and SM advised that there does not appear to be any material changes made to the Modification. The Business Rules are relatively simple and the plan is that further detail will be provided in the presentation at the next meeting on 22 February.

### Business Rule 2

This Business Rule was considered amongst the Workgroup and RHa identified it looks more like a guidance note as opposed to a Business Rule. SM stated this would be amended ahead of the next meeting.

### **Rough Order of Magnitude (ROM)**

Ellie Rogers (ER) advised a preliminary ROM has been produced given the early stage of the request for a ROM. A further ROM may be produced after the Modification has undergone more development at Workgroup. CDSP's internal view is that the details may not need to be included within the Modification, but it provides some clarity.

ER provided an overview of what has been requested. Given the early stage in the process, the overview was kept general. Currently, the way in which UIG is reconciled involves taking it and splitting it into 12 periods, each month there is a UIG reconciliation. With SM's proposal, the UIG reconciliation will occur from a meter read occurrence, not necessarily within the 12-month process. This will therefore be a simple change with minimal detail.

In relation to the implementation of the Modification, CDSP are currently looking into whether this will be a big-bang approach or whether a transitional arrangement will need to be put in place. The big-bang approach is considered the best and easiest route as there will be no requirement for transitional rules. Further, in relation to implementation, there is a big range for the costs. This is because CDSP does not anticipate ongoing costs. Further information relating to costs will be confirmed during the Detailed Design.

There will be no change to the amount of UIG which is why only shippers will be affected. The file structure will stay the same. The process for raising UIG Reconciliation charges for voluntarily discontinued or terminated shippers remains unchanged.. See extract from ROM below:

*“On the surface this is a relatively simple change as Modification 0862 seeks to change the period that the Unidentified Gas Reconciliation is allocated against but does not seek to change any other element of how Unidentified Gas is reconciled”.*

As the meter point reconciliation is done every month, the monthly reconciliation values will

apply. The new approach will be considered at a granular level which is something that is not being done currently.

A few reports will be impacted as a result but these are currently being assessed to see if they need to be changed.

It will either be a major release or stand-alone, this will be decided by DSC Change Management Committee and guided by any dates within the Workgroup.

David Morley (DMo) confirmed he is happy to present second to allow SM to present first at the next meeting on 22 February.

**3. Business Rule Development**

Deferred to 22 February 2024.

**4. Next Steps**

The Workgroup will consider an in-depth review of the processes at the next meeting.

**5. Any Other Business**

No other business was raised.

**6. Diary Planning**

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Further details of planned meetings are available at: [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month)

Time / Date	Paper Publication Deadline	Venue	Workgroup Programme
10:00 Thursday 22 February 2024	5 pm Wednesday 14 February 2024	Microsoft Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Legal Text Review</li> <li>Development of Workgroup Report</li> <li>Review of the processes</li> </ul>
10:00 Thursday 28 March 2024	5 pm Wednesday 20 March 2024	Microsoft Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completion of Workgroup Report</li> </ul>

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