

**UNC Workgroup 0784S Minutes
Transition to the Central Switching Service and the Retail Energy
Code v3.0**

Thursday 13 December 2021

via Microsoft Teams

Attendees		
Rebecca Hailes (Chair)	(RHa)	Joint Office
Helen Bennett (Secretary)	(HB)	Joint Office
Carl Whitehouse	(CW)	Shell Energy
Clare Manning	(CM)	E.ON Energy
Claire Louise Roberts	(CLR)	Scottish Power
Dan Stenson	(DS)	British Gas
David Addison	(DA)	Xoserve
David Mitchell	(DM)	SGN
David Morley	(DMo)	Ovo Energy
Ellie Rogers	(ER)	Xoserve
George MacGregor	(GMc)	Utilita
Guv Dosanjh	(GD)	Cadent
Heather Ward	(HW)	Energy Assets
Kundai Matiringe	(KM)	BU-UK
Louise Hellyer	(LH)	Totalenergies Gas & Power
Luke Reeves	(LR)	EDF Energy
Max Lambert	(ML)	Ofgem
Richard Pomroy	(RP)	Wales & West Utilities
Rhys Kealley	(RK)	British Gas
Sally Hardman	(SH)	SGN
Steve Mulinganie	(SM)	Gazprom Energy
Tracey Saunders	(TS)	Northern Gas Networks

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The Workgroup Report is due to be presented at the UNC Modification Panel by 17 February 2022.

1.0 Introduction and Status Review

1.1. Approval of Minutes (25 November 2021)

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

1.2. Approval of Late Papers

There were no late papers.

1.3. Review of Outstanding Actions

No outstanding actions to consider.

2.0 Amended Modification

The Modification has not been amended.

DA advised he has been in conversation with Dentons, the Legal Text drafters, and confirmed construction of the Legal Text has started. DA noted that whereas there may be some amendments to the Modification forthcoming from Dentons review, currently there is only one slight amendment to make to the Modification, which DA confirmed he will do as soon as possible, prior to Christmas.

DA provided a list of data items that he has been assessing as to the extent that they need to be included in the Modification. He concluded that, of the following list, only Shipper / Supplier Commercial Alliance needed to be added to Modification 0784S:

- RMP Status
- RMP Address
- MEM Appointment
- Shipper / Supplier Commercial Alliance
- Transporter / Shipper Reg Alliance
- MDD Organisation Data?

DA advised he has had discussions with Andrew Baugh, Ofgem, regarding the management of data during the transition period. Ofgem have requested one inclusion in the modification, a new obligation to be inserted to UNC post CSS go-live on Shippers.

DA provided an example of the RMP Status, which is a mix of Meter Point Status and Isolation Flag, he explained that Shippers currently have obligations to maintain this in the UNC. DA discussed this with Ofgem as to the extent that this needed to be defined in the Transition Modification, and both DA and Ofgem agreed it did not need to be included. DA further explained that the CDSP has the obligation in REC to send this information for Transition, this is true for all of the data items listed above, other than Shipper / Supplier Alliance, which is a new obligation from REC V3, therefore, there should be something in Transition for Shippers to set the values for Day 1 of Go-Live.

Steve Mulinganie (SM) questioned what if they get it wrong, DA advised that from Day 1 Go-Live a new process will be in place for Shippers to amend it, and that gets changed within day.

With regards to *Modification 0788 (Urgent) - Minimising the market impacts of 'Supplier Undertaking'* SM asked, going forward, in the event of a termination, how those scenarios are managed between Code and REC and is there anything that needs to be considered in terms of those relationships in the circumstances of deed of undertaking that needs to be considered.

DA advised that they are discrete activities, and he will provide a demonstration of how that works at the next meeting.

New Action 0112: Xoserve (DA) to provide a demonstration of how the relationship between the UNC and REC will be managed in the event of a termination.

DA concluded that this Modification is due for UNC Panel decision at the March 2022 Panel.

DA advised that the first set of transitional activities will start on 21 March 2022 which will be within the Appeal window and that all activities are starting 30 Business Days in advance of July 2022, therefore, 01 June 2022 is when the UNC obligations will commence.

It was confirmed that the proposed 18 July 2022 Go-Live date will be finalised in January 2022.

When SM asked if there is enough time during a standard Distribution Workgroup for this Workgroup to review the Legal Text, it was agreed that an extra Workgroup might be required to review the Legal Text.

New Action 0212: Joint Office (RHa) to commence a draft of the Workgroup Report. The draft Workgroup Report will then be completed at the January 2022 Workgroup.

Considering this Modification is set as Self-Governance, Workgroup raised the concern that if this Modification impacts the Switching SCR, should it be Self-Governance?

Guv Dosanjh (GD) asked Ofgem for a view on the Self-Governance status as that is always a dilemma when asked at UNC Panel if the Modification impacts an SCR.

New Action 0312: Ofgem (ML) to liaise with colleagues in order to provide a view on the Self-Governance status of this Modification and report back to January 2022 Workgroup.

This concluded Workgroup discussions.

3.0 Development of Workgroup Report

Not covered.

4.0 Next Steps

RHa clarified that the Workgroup Report will be completed during the January 2022 Workgroup; there may be a need for an extra Workgroup in order to review the Legal Text and Ofgem will provide a view on the Self-Governance status at the next meeting in January 2022.

5.0 Any Other Business

None.

6.0 Diary Planning

Further details of planned meetings are available at: www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month

Time / Date	Paper Publication Deadline	Venue	Programme
Thursday 10:00 27 January 2022	5pm 18 January 2022	Microsoft Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of Workgroup Report Legal Text Review

Action Table (as at 13 December 2021)

Action Ref	Meeting Date	Minute Ref	Action	Owner	Status Update
0112	13/12/21	1.0	Xoserve (DA) to provide a demonstration of how the relationship between the UNC and REC will be managed in the event of a termination.	Xoserve (DA)	Pending
0212	13/12/21	2.0	Joint Office (RHa) to commence a draft of the Workgroup Report. The draft Workgroup Report will then be completed at the January 2022 Workgroup	Joint Office (RHa)	Pending

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0312	13/12/21	2.0	Ofgem (ML) to liaise with colleagues in order to provide a view on the self-governance status of this Modification and report back to January 2022 Workgroup	Ofgem (ML)	Pending