

**Uniform Network Code Committee Minutes**  
**Meeting 243 held on Thursday 18 January 2024**  
**via Microsoft Teams**

<b>Attendees</b>			
<b>Voting Members:</b>			
<b>Shipper Representatives</b>		<b>Transporter Representatives</b>	
C Paine (CP) Engie D Fittock (DF) SSE and on behalf of S Mulinganie (SM) D Morley (DM) OVO Energy O Chapman (OC) Centrica R Fairholme (RF) Uniper		C Gilbert (CG) BUUK D Mitchell (DMi) SGN E Allard (EA) Cadent M Montgomery (JB) National Gas Transmission R Pomroy (RP) Wales & West Utilities T Saunders (TS) Northern Gas Networks	
<b>Non-Voting Members:</b>			
<b>Chairperson</b>	<b>Ofgem Representative</b>	<b>Consumer Representative</b>	<b>Independent Supplier Representative</b>
W Goldwag (WG)	M Brown (MB)		
<b>Also, in Attendance:</b>			
<b>Joint Office</b>		<b>Observers</b>	
H Cuin (HCu) K Elleman (KE) P Garner (PG) R Hailes (RH) T Tizirai (TT)		E Rogers (ER) Xoserve/CDSP T Stuart (TS) Wales & West Utilities	
Copies of all papers are available at: <a href="https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/UNCC/180124">https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/UNCC/180124</a>			

**224.1. Introductions**

W Goldwag (WG), welcomed attendees.

**224.2. Note of any alternates attending the meeting**

D Fittock on behalf of S Mulinganie

**224.3. Apologies for Absence**

S Mulinganie

**224.4. Minutes of the last meeting 14 December 2023**

Approved.

## 224.5. Review of Action(s)

None.

## 224.6. Matters

### a) Changes to Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert – Request for extension to the Draft AUG Statement consultation window

E Rogers (ER) explained that at the AUG Sub-Committee on 12 January 2024 there was general support for an extension to the consultation window on the Draft AUG Statement for Gas Year 2024/25. A Shipper had suggested this, taking into account that the Ofgem's decision on UNC Modifications 0831 and 0831A 0831/A - *Allocation of LDZ UIG to Shippers Based on a Straight Throughput Method* was expected on 23 January 2024. It was noted that the Ofgem decision had now been further delayed until the 06 February 2024.

It was recognised that both Modifications would remove the need for the role of the AUG E and that Committee members did not see a benefit in spending time on a detailed review and feedback, when the original Ofgem decision was going to be provided the following day, which could remove the AUG E role and the need for UIG Weighting Factors. The Committee considered the delay in Ofgem's decision, the effect on the timetable request and approving the one-off changes to the AUG timetable for the 2024 process:

- Consultation deadline on the Draft AUGS extended from 22 January to 31 January
- Next AUGS Sub-Committee meeting moved from Friday 9 January to Friday 16 January

M Brown (MB) hoped to provide a decision as soon as possible or provide a minded to view to assist the process.

ER recommended accommodating the suggested extension if time allowed. The Committee voted on changing the Framework for the [Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert](#). The Committee unanimously approved the changes to the Framework document, noting that the AUG process, as documented, will continue until the 0831 Ofgem decision is provided.

## 224.7. Any Other Business

### a) Gemini Sustain Plus Panel Comms January 2024

M Montgomery (MM) provided a status brief on the Gemini Sustain Plus program.

MM reported that the project remains on track to be implemented in September 2024. The programme is now undertaking the development and testing of the new screen designs and features. This work will continue until the end of May 24.

For full details please refer to the presentation published at: <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/uncc/180124>

Regular, more detailed updates, and progress reports, will be provided via the National Gas Transmission Sustain Plus Focus Groups, which are currently held every other month and open for anyone to attend that may have an interest in the programme and impacts.

#### The Next Steps are:

- Detailed Design Change pack out for representation – until 29 January 2024.
- Continue development and testing of the Gemini process of new screens and batch jobs.
- Engaging with industry to prepare it for the changes ahead and the Market Trials period.
- Training content to be released in Q2 2024.

MM noted that the next focus group will be held on 22 January 2024 and monthly updates will be provided to the UNCC.

**224.8. Date of Next Meeting(s):**

UNCC meetings are listed at: <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/uncc/2024>

All other Joint Office events are available via: [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/events-calendar/month)

All UNCC meetings will be held immediately after the UNC Modification Panel.

Time / Date	Paper Publication Deadline	Venue
Thursday 15 February 2024	5pm Wednesday 07 February 2024	Teleconference / Microsoft Teams
Thursday 21 March 2024	5pm Wednesday 13 March 2024	Elexon London (and via Microsoft Teams)
Thursday 18 April 2024	5pm Wednesday 10 April 2024	Teleconference / Microsoft Teams
Thursday 16 May 2024	5pm Wednesday 08 May 2024	Teleconference / Microsoft Teams