

IPL/QPL039 - Inclusion of MAM and GAO details in TAS flows**Meeting #1 Minutes** (held by teleconference)**Attendees;**

Trevor Clarke – Eon

Ashley Collins – EDF

Gethyn Howard – Inexus (Chair)

Andy Smith – NPower

Cathy Wheeler - Ofgem

Based on the comments received to date (attached in appendix 1), the group discussed the following;

The group discussed aligning the lay out of the MAM field with the way it is used in the K12 whereby the number of allowed characters is 12 and where the MAM is not known, “UNKNOWN” is used in the field. As a consequence, it was also agreed that the MAM field would be mandatory rather than conditional.

It was also agreed that the Gas Act Owner field would also allow for “U” to be used where the GAO was unknown.

The group discussed whether any additional fields needed to display both the MAM and GAO fields, particularly the T02. On the basis that it is anticipated that the future IGT Comms work will be implemented and that the data is also available via the portfolio extract, it was decided that only the T16 required the change but was acknowledged that this can be reviewed in the future if required.

The group agreed that the proposed approach of adding the two additional fields at the end of the T16 file would be preferable as is likely to result in a simpler and less costly change.

The group also discussed implementation timescales and agreed that other developments such as the Green Deal is currently taking up a lot of ICT resource. As such it was agreed that a standard 6 month implementation timescale will be requested.

Though it was acknowledged that it was outside of the ToR for the group, it was asked whether the T16 could also show the last meter inspection date to align with the other IGTs. GH confirmed that he would make internal enquiries as to how much work would be involved in making such change and should this be possible, raise a separate modification to progress in line with the IPL039 timescales. As such it was hoped that both this proposal and IPL/QPI039 could be presented to the September Panel but if this was not possible, both proposals would be presented to the October Panel.

GH took an action to update the TAS manual to reflect the comments made which will essentially form the legal text to the IPL/QPL039 modification.

GH thanked the meeting participants for their time and the meeting closed.

Appendix 1

Feedback	From	Response	Outcome
would we need to know this info in the T02 as well for connections as technically a supplier could nominate their own agent to fit a meter at site? (it could be that the fields are marked as conditional here as general amendments may not apply)?	EDF	Open to discussion. The T02 may be superseded for supplier installed meters which would instead be communicated via suite of IGT Comms flows	The T02 will not need to be amended
Is there any chance to add in last inspection date to the T16 as well as part of this set of changes?	EDF	Changes other than those relating to the GAO and MAM are outside of the terms of scope of the group/mod.	This may form part of a separate potential modification
Why is the MAM ID field Conditional?	SP	The field is currently listed as conditional (i.e. will be populated if we hold the information) as we are experiencing quite a number of meter exchanges which we aren't informed of the exchange and consequently the identity of the MAM. As such, Envoy would not be the MAM where a 3rd party meter has been "found" so under the proposed changes to the T16 would leave the field blank.	Change field to mandatory to align with the treatment of the data item in the K12