

## **iGT UNC Modification Workstream Meeting 17-05**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017**

Gemserv, 8 Fenchurch Place, London EC3M 4AJ

<b>Attendee</b>		<b>Organisation</b>	
Steve Ladle	(SL)	Gemserv	Chairman
John Welch*	(JW)	Npower	
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE	
Claire Towler	(CT)	SSE	
Kirsty Dudley	(KD)	E.ON	
Andrew Margan*	(AM)	Ofgem	Item 4 onwards
Paul Orsler	(PO)	Xoserve	
Kishan Nundloll	(KN)	ES Pipelines	
Rachel Bird	(RB)	Gemserv	Secretariat

*\*Attended via teleconference*

### **1. Welcome and apologies for absence**

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting of the iGT UNC Modification Workstream. Apologies for absence were received from Nicky Rozier (BU-UK).

### **2. Confirmation of Agenda**

The Chair confirmed the items for discussion as outlined in the final agenda. The Chair also asked the Workgroup whether there were any additional items of business. KN noted that he would like to discuss a new proposed Modification which is being drafted to mirror UNC609. This is in response to the difficulties perceived in carrying out an AQ review due to the timing of the Nexus implementation. KD noted that she wanted to discuss the Pipeline Operator Query Code arrangement for Post-Nexus. MJ added that he would like to discuss address information within the PSR process. The Chair agreed to address the items of business at the tail of the meeting.

### **3. Approval of the Previous Minutes**

Attendees reviewed the minutes from the Modification Workstream meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017 (17-04). Only one small additional comment was received from Gethyn Howard who added a sentence around the iGT097 discussions to confirm that Shippers did not see that the modification was necessary to further facilitate the Code. Shippers agreed with the addition of the comment. The minutes were agreed and approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

### **4. Outstanding Actions**

Please refer to the table in Appendix 1 at the end of the minutes for updates on actions arising.

## **Action 17/04-04**

RB noted that Gethyn Howard returned the amended Modification to the CA, which was then sent to the Authority for decision. The Authority wanted to see a time clause on these code changes and therefore, GH added the clause of an 8-month end post Nexus Implementation, which would take the industry 2 months past centralised billing. The Authority then passed this for Urgent status and a short consultation began, this then went in front of an extraordinary Panel which passed the Modification for implementation by a majority vote. The Authority passed iGT097 for implementation and it will go live on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017 (PNID).

## **5. iGT095/UNC593 – PCW & TPI Access - Update**

The Chair updated the Workgroup on the recent Joint Distribution Workgroup meeting which met on 27<sup>th</sup> April to discuss iGT095 and UNC593. The Chair noted that Xoserve had approached the CMA for a meeting to discuss rewording the order which would allow them to deliver a better solution for Shippers and PCWs. As a result of this Xoserve felt that it would not be appropriate to discuss the draft PIA at the April meeting. The Chair continued that a good discussion was had at the meeting, with an agreement that Shanna Key, Nicky Rozier and Colette Baldwin would accompany Xoserve at their meeting with the CMA. The date of the meeting is yet to be decided.

The Chair concluded the discussion noting that the next joint Workgroup will be on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017, the agenda and location are yet to be confirmed.

## **6. Known Issues Register**

The Workgroup reviewed the Known issues register and as a result it was determined by the Workgroup that the following issues were closed and could be removed from the open list;

- Development of iGT086 - CDSP Changes UNC Modification 0565 – *closed as Modification is currently out for Consultation and RG001 review group is now closed.*
- House-keeping & change group issues for Guidance document iGT MAM RGMA file formats – Closed as document has been updated and latest version on the website.

The Workgroup also noted that an issue should be added to the Register in relation to the upcoming development of RGMA in SPAA.

**Action MWS17/05-01: CA to update the Known Issues register and publish this on the iGT UNC website.**

## 7. CSEP NExA Table Values – Property types – Update

The Chair delivered an update sent by NR regarding the progress of this item. Discussions at the AiGT meeting resulted in the iGTs referring this to the Governing Executive Group (GEG) for further discussion and review. The matter will be reported back to the AiGT. This is currently in progress with the next AiGT meeting on the 18th May 2017. This will be presented back to the iGT Workgroup in June 2017. KN added that initial discussions at the AiGT meeting supported changing the 1BED reference into a 3-digit code.

The Chair added that there would be some time before this issue would need to be changed ahead of the next CSEP NExA Table review which will not take place for 18 months due to the implementation of Single service provision.

AM added that a modification will be required to change this and the Workgroup supported this.

## 8. AOB

### Proposed Modification – Mirror UNC609

KN presented a proposed modification to the group which is intended to be raised in the iGT UNC Code with regards to the AQ review, KN informed the Workgroup that he has spoken with Jon Dixon (Ofgem) with regards to this modification being recommended for urgent status as this would not be able to be processed before PNID under Self-Governance rules. The UNC are currently deciding on UNC609 which addresses transitional arrangements for gas settlement during the Project Nexus bed down period. Xoserve has informed the industry that an AQ Review will not be triggered in 2017 and dependent on the Project Nexus implementation date, there may be a need to address the Code as currently there is a date which requires the trigger for the review written into the Code. KN welcomed comments on the modification proposal.

The Workgroup questioned whether this would qualify for Urgent status as the AQ review information would not be required until July as currently set out in the Code. KN noted that the Modification would be put in place to act as a backstop if Project Nexus did not get implemented on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2017.

The Workgroup resolved that the GONG decision on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017 would act as a qualifier for the Modification if Nexus is not to go ahead in June. AM suggested that the Modification is raised and run through normal Self-Governance procedures until the GONG decision is known.

The Chair noted that the Modification should come to the May Panel for discussion.

**Action MWS17/05-02: KN to amend the new AQ review modification proposal and send this to the CA for inclusion in the Final Agenda of May Panel meeting.**

### Pipeline Operator Query Codes

KD introduced a paper circulated by the CA prior to the meeting with regards to pipeline operator query codes which will be stripped out of the code by the implementation of iGT073. The removal of

the codes was based on a review of the codes from a Transporter/Shipper perspective, however, the queries contained within the ancillary document also relate to metering activity as the MAM and are utilised by Shippers/Suppliers to identify and correct MAM related queries. Where an iGT is the MAM some of these stripped out query codes will still be applicable as MAM activity will continue post-nexus, and the concern is that these codes will not be recognised by an iGT from shippers as this is no longer codified. The codes identified as needing resurrection are;

CMQ – Crossed meter identification and resolution as a MAM

EXQ – Meter Exchange query identification and resolution as a MAM

AMD – Amendment to the asset details as a MAM

MRR – The meter removal part would be as a MAM but correcting the transporter side would be Xoserve, this could be absorbed into query

ADD – We tell the MAMs for GT Supplies and also the GT via Xoserve, we believe the same should be done for iGTs who are also the MAM unless are using the CDSP addresses to update their MAM addresses.

PO offered that 'ADD' should not be brought back into use as this is an action included in the UK-Link system.

KN noted that he would take this back to Katy Binch at ESPUG who works more closely on these issues than he does.

The Chair resolved that a modification would be needed to bring these query codes back into the iGT UNC. However, the Modification would not be able to go through the process and be implemented before the 1<sup>st</sup> June (PNID). Therefore, it was suggested that an agreement should be put in place as a temporary measure.

The Chair concluded that a note should be drafted by KD to be circulated to the distribution list to outline the issues and to highlight the expectation that all parties will agree to accept the query codes until the modification progresses.

KD also welcomed comments before the next Workstream meeting in June and asked that the item be put on the next agenda.

**Action MWS17/05-03: KD to draft email to be circulated to the distribution list to outline the issues and to highlight the expectation that all parties will agree to accept the query codes until the modification progresses.**

**Action MWS17/05-04: CA to add Pipeline Operator Query Codes to the next Workstream agenda.**

### **Address information within the PSR process**

MJ noted that issues have arisen during validation of the PSR process within SSE. SSE are finding that there is not sufficient information being sent through the PS1 flows from newly confirmed iGT sites, therefore, there is not enough information to bill the customer. MJ continued that it appears that the address details are optional in this process. KD confirmed that there may not be full address details available at the PS1 stage as confirmed new connections could still be in the early planning stages of new housing developments, and it is entirely possible that when the PSR is confirmed the site could still be a field.

PO highlighted that all PS1 flows have mandatory address fields such as post in & out codes and that there is minimum mandatory data needed for the UK-Link system, and that the MPRN and Postcode are the data needed to validate a site.

KD explained that in the PSR document, note two specifically details that 'If data is known it must be provided'. KD reasoned that if there is not sufficient data in the PS1 that SSE could reject the flow through validation, however, that approaching the individual iGT would be a better way to progress.

MJ resolved to find out more details with regards to the exact data missing and asked KD for a teleconference with his team.

**Action MWS17/05-05: CA to put the issue of mandatory address information in the PSR process on the Agenda for the June 2017 Workgroup meeting.**

### **Smart Meter Commissioning iGT sites**

AM noted that concerns had arisen around the commission of Smart Meters at iGT sites, as the information does not get included in the PSR process, and the Shipper does not get full ownership of the site until the Confirmation is processed.

It was resolved by the Workgroup that this is not just an iGT specific issue and that there is a hole to be plugged in the process across the sector, and therefore, this should be directed to SEC.

KD suggested that this issue be brought up at the next SPAA meeting.

This meeting will be KN's last meeting as he will be leaving ESPUG later in May. All Workgroup members thanked KN for his efforts during his time as an iGT UNC representative and wished him well in his new endeavours.

**The next iGT UNC Modification Workstream Meeting is on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2017.**

## Appendix 1

MWS17/04-01	4 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	SL to contact Bob Fletcher to seek the UNC expectations for the process and timeline of iGT095 & UC593 progression	Gemserv	Closed. Next Joint meeting will be held on 25 <sup>th</sup> May to further develop the Modifications.
MWS17/04-02	4 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	CA to prepare a paper for the April Panel meeting to recommend that RG001 be closed as all terms of reference have now been met.	Gemserv	Closed. April Panel agreed to close RG001
MWS17/04-03	4 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	GH to revise iGT097 and send to the CA for the process of acquiring urgent status can begin.	GH	Closed.
MWS17/04-04	4 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	CA to send iGT097 to the Authority requesting a decision on Urgent status.	Gemserv	Closed.
<b>MWS17/05-01</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017</b>	<b>CA to update the Known Issues register and publish this on the iGT UNC website.</b>	<b>Gemserv</b>	<b>New</b>
<b>MWS17/05-02</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017</b>	<b>KN to amend the new AQ review modification proposal and send this to the CA for inclusion in the Final Agenda of May Panel meeting.</b>	<b>KN</b>	<b>New</b>
<b>MWS17/05-03</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017</b>	<b>KD to draft email to be circulated to the distribution list to outline the issues and to highlight the expectation that all parties will agree to accept the query codes until the modification progresses.</b>	<b>KD</b>	<b>New</b>

<b>MWS17/05-04</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017</b>	<b>CA to add Pipeline Operator Query Codes to the next Workstream agenda.</b>	<b>Gemserv</b>	<b>New</b>
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