

iGT UNC Modification Panel Meeting 16-05

Wednesday 18th May 2016

Gemserv, 8 Fenchurch Place, London EC3M 4AJ

Attendee	Organisation	Representing	As
Steve Ladle (SL)	Gemserv	Code Administrator	Chairman
Kirsty Dudley (KD)*	E.ON UK	Pipeline Users	
Sharon Easton (SE)*	npower	Pipeline Users	
Cher Harris (CH)*	Indigo Pipelines	Pipeline Operators	
Mark Jones (MJ)*	SSE Energy Supply	Pipeline Users	
Kishan Nundloll (KN)*	ES Pipelines	Pipeline Operators	
Ehi Obaye (EO)*	Ofgem	Authority	
Jenny Rawlinson (JR)*	Brookfield Utilities	Pipeline Operators	
Verity Blake (VB)	Gemserv	Code Administrator	Secretariat

**Attended via teleconference*

1. Alternates, observers and apologies

The Chairman welcomed attendees to the meeting of the iGT UNC Modification Panel meeting. There were no apologies for absence. SE confirmed that she was attending as an alternate for Kirandeep Samra (npower). MJ confirmed that he was acting as an alternate for Kristian Pilling (SSE Energy Supply).

2. Confirmation of Agenda

No additional items of business were raised and the agenda was confirmed.

3. Approval of the previous minutes

The minutes from the previous Modification Panel meeting (5th April 2016) were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

4. Outstanding actions

Action 16/04-01: Code Administrator to contact Xoserve for a definitive list of Shippers and source additions to the contact distribution list where required. **Action Closed.**

Action 16/04-02: Code Administrator to amend ToR for the pre-Panel briefing and circulate to the Panel for agreement. **Action Closed. Terms of Reference (ToR) circulated 11th May 2016.**

Action 16/04-03: Code Administrator to draft a ToR for a Review Group to consider Final Proposals from CGR3 ahead of the May Modification Panel meeting. **Action Closed. ToR circulated 17th May 2016.**

Action 16/04-04: Panel Representatives to send comments for inclusion in a response to CGR3 consultations to Code Administrator by 22nd April. **Action Closed. Panel decided not to progress this action.**

In regard to Action 16/04-01, VB noted that both Xoserve and the Joint Office were contacted on 11th May 2016, and advised that they are not able to provide any Shipper's contact details without permission from each individual concerned.

The chair highlighted that this updated contact list is going to be used to ensure a wider engagement by Shippers at the pre-Panel briefings. EO agreed to investigate whether Ofgem have an up to date contact list that they could share with the Code Administrator in order to increase participation.

Action 16/05-01: Ehi Obaye (Ofgem) to investigate whether there is an up to date contact list that can be provided to the Code Administrator which could be used to insure engagement in the pre-Panel briefings.

5. Short notice business

None.

6. Panel decisions

None.

7. Update on Modification Workgroups

[iGT071 – Updating the iGT AQ Review Procedures Ancillary Document](#)

The Chair advised that this Modification was briefly discussed at the recent Work Group in May, and that iGTs have been working with Xoserve in completing the data exercise required for the AQ review. Since the Work Group meeting, the Chair has had discussions with both the iGTs and Xoserve, to determine the current status of this data exercise, and a paper has been drafted which will be circulated and considered at the next Modification Workstream on 7th June 2016.

The Chair noted that this Modification was raised by Kirandeep Samra (npower), who no longer attends iGT UNC Modification Panels or Workstreams. Notwithstanding this, npower remain responsible for incorporating any updates or comments into the Modification Proposal. Kirandeep Samra's nominated alternate for this meeting, SE, acknowledged this point and agreed to progress the modification as required.

[iGT075 – Identification of Supply Meter Point Pressure Tier](#)

The Chair highlighted the outputs from the Work Group discussions, noting that the main outcome was number of questions regarding the formatting and publication of the pressure tier information, which were determined by the Work Group, and circulated to iGT UNC CA for comment. VB noted that a reminder email was sent on the 17th May 2016, and the aim is for all comments to be submitted

in advance of the next Work Group meeting, so that they can be discussed at the next meeting on 7th June, and where appropriate, incorporated into the Modification proposal.

CH raised some questions about whether the Modification proposal proposes to include pressure tier information about domestic and on-domestic (commercial) connections. KD advised that it would include all types of sites, and that it would also include the whole postcode, not just the first few letters.

CH noted concerns about departing from the current GH1 process and there was brief discussion on the benefits of the proposed Modification and how the pressure tier information is going to be provided by iGTs. The Chair and KD both reiterated that it is important for parties to document their comments and questions in their email response to the information request that was circulated; so that they can be addressed in the relevant Work Group.

Panel noted the update.

Action 16/05-02: Code Administrator to send a summary of party's responses to the email information request for *iGT075 – Identification of Supply Point Pressure Tier* to Kirsty Dudley (E.ON) in advance of the Modification Work Group on 7th June 2016.

[iGT083 – Correction to PSR Process to Support SSP Arrangements](#)

The Chair provided a brief update noting that, following development at the Work Group in May, minor amendments were made to this Modification and a Work Group Report was published. Panel acknowledged receipt of the Work Group report, and agreed to discuss this Modification under item 12.

8. Update of Review Groups

[RG001 - Funding, Governance and Ownership \(FGO\) implications for the iGT UNC](#)

The Chair advised that that a verbal update was provided by Gethyn Howard (Brookfield Utilities) at the Workstream meeting in May; where there was a brief discussion regarding the purpose and objective of the Review Group. A summary of Gethyn's update was circulated to the iGT UNC immediately after the meeting.

The Chair noted that the progress of this Review Group has somewhat stalled, as the Review Group are waiting for the Large Transporters to make a decision on where they are going on the FGO issue before any substantial progress can be made by iGTs. Gethyn Howard will continue to update the Workstream as the matter progresses.

9. Urgent Modification Proposals received

None.

10. Non-urgent Modification Proposals received

[iGT084 - Clarification on iGT RPC Invoice Template](#)

At the last Modification Workstream, an AOB was raised by Katy Binch (ESP Pipelines) in relation to the population of the “Current Supply Point AQ in kWh” field in the iGT RPC Invoice Template post Project Nexus implementation. Katy was inquiring how iGTs are going to be populating this new field following Project Nexus implementation; as there is ambiguity between what can be populated within the “Current Supply Point AQ in kWh” field. The output of discussions led to KN agreeing to raise iGT084, which aims to clarify how the “Current Supply Point AQ in kWh” will be populated; and proposes that “Formula Year SMP AQ” is used.

This Modification was originally raised with the request that it is considered as a Fast Track Modification, as the proposer believes that it is a Housekeeping change. However, the Proposer, KN, stated that he is open for this Modification to be treated as a standard Modification, rather than be governed by the Fast Track rules.

A majority of the Panel were supportive of the Modification and its proposal. However, the Chair and MJ were not of the opinion that the Modification meets the Fast Track criteria, as it will be making a change to the iGT UNC. This reasoning is based on the fact that the Modification proposes that “Formula Year AQ”¹ is used; which is different to the existing field name used “Rolling AQ”.

KD suggested reviewing the legal text for iGT039² text and to see if anything was already defined in this field. If his field is already defined in the legal text for iGT039, then this Modification would be only a housekeeping change. The Chair agreed to this suggestion.

Panel members stated that they are supportive of the principle in the change, as they believe that as this is an invoicing template, the relevant AQ should be the Formula AQ and not the current Rolling AQ. However, the Panel could not reach a consensus on whether this Modification met the Fast Track Criteria, and as such, it was not able treated as a Fast Track Modification.

The Panel agreed that this Modification should be treated with urgency, and as a consensus could not be reached, it should be sent to the Work Group for development. However, Panel agreed that this Modification should only need to be considered at one Work Group, and it should be made clear to the Work Group that the Modification proposes to change the iGT RPC invoice template; changing the field from the current “Rolling AQ” to “Formula Year AQ (Billing AQ)”.

Action 16/05-03: Code Administrator to include *iGT084 - Clarification on iGT RPC Invoice Template* on the agenda for the Modification Workstream on 7th June 2016.

Action 16/05-04: Steve Ladle (Modification Panel Chair) to review legal text for *iGT039 - Use of a Single Gas Transporter Agency for the common services and systems and processes required by the iGT UNC*, to determine whether there will be a defined field for the “Current

¹ The Modification proposes to use “Formula Year SMP AQ”, although this is believed to be a typo and should refer to Formula Year AQ (Billing AQ)”.

² [iGT039 - Use of a Single Gas Transporter Agency for the common services and systems and processes required by the iGT UNC.](#)

Supply Point AQ in kWh” field in the iGT RPC Invoice Template under the Single Service Provider (SSP).

11. Fast-Track Modification Proposals received

No Fast-Track Modification have been received. However, the Chair advised that a Fast Track Modification has been raised *iGT085F - SSP Housekeeping Changes*, which will be presented to Panel for decision on 15th June 2016.

12. Workgroup Reports

[iGT083 – Correction to PSR Process to Support SSP Arrangements](#)

This Modification Proposal was raised by Brookfield Utilities and first considered by the Modification Panel on 20th April 2016 (16-04). This Modification was raised by Brookfield Utilities and relates to the issue identified in the process for Bulk Supply confirmation following the launch of the Single Service Provider (SSP). Under SSP, the Agency system can allow the first registered Shipper on the Agency system for a Supply Point to be different to that confirmed via the Bulk Confirmation process between a Shipper and iGT. The Modification's solution to this issue is to slightly amend the legal text for iGT039, so that the Shipper is not obligated to undertake actions where they are not the registered Shipper on the Agency system.

The Work Group reviewed this Modification at their meeting in May, suggested minor amendments, and produced a Work Group report. Panel confirmed that they have viewed the Work Group report and no comments were received.

The Chair noted that the Work Group believe that this Modification meets the Self-governance criteria to which the Panel unanimously agreed. The Chair asked Panel whether they agree to send the Modification out for consultation, or whether they believe it needs further development by the Work Group. The Panel agreed to send the Modification out for consultation, and agreed for the consultation period to be shortened to 11 working days, so that it can be agreed at the next Panel meeting on 15th June 2016.

Action 16/05-05: Code Administrator to submit the Draft Modification Report for *iGT083 – Correction to PSR Process to Support SSP Arrangements* on a shortened consultation for 11 working days, and include the Modification on the agenda for the Panel meeting on 15th June 2016.

13. Final Modification Reports

None.

14. Authority updates

None.

15. Implementation of Code Governance Review Phase 3 Final Proposals

Following previous discussions and presentations by Ofgem of the Code Governance Review 3 (CGR3), the Panel have agreed to consider convening a Review Group to explore the impacts of Ofgem's Final Proposals; including necessary changes to the iGT UNC and its associated documentation where necessary. An action was taken at the last Modification Panel for the Code Administrator to draft a Terms of Reference (ToR) for this proposed Review Group. These ToRs were circulated to parties on 17th May 2016.

Panel agreed for these ToRs to be reviewed by the next Work Group on 7th June 2016.

Action 16/05-06: Code Administrator to include Code Governance Review Group and Terms of Reference on the agenda for the Modification Workstream on 7th June 2016.

There were no further items of business and the meeting was closed.

The next Modification Panel meeting will be convened at 11:00am on 15th June 2016.