

## **iGT UNC Modification Panel Meeting 14-13**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2014**

Gemserv, 8 Fenchurch Place, London EC3M 4AJ

<b>Attendee</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>As</b>
Steve Ladle (SL)	Gemserv	Code Administrator	Chairman
Katharina Tree (KT)	Gemserv	Code Administrator	
Jenny Rawlinson (JR)*	Brookfield Utilities	Pipeline Operators	
Kishan Nundloll (KN) (agenda item 9)*	ES Pipelines	Pipeline Operators	
Kirsty Dudley (KD)*	E.ON UK	Pipeline Users	
Andrew Margan (AM)*	British Gas	Pipeline Users	
Rory Edwards (RE)*	Ofgem	Authority	
Gethyn Howard (GH) (agenda item 11)*	Brookfield Utilities	Observer	

*\*Attended via teleconference*

### **1. NOTICE OF ALTERNATES AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

SL welcomed attendees to the iGT UNC Modification Panel meeting. Apologies for absence had been received from Cher Harris (Indigo Pipelines) and Kiran Samra (npower). SL confirmed Jenny Rawlinson would be acting as Alternate Pipeline Operator Representative for Cher Harris in her absence, and Alternate Pipeline Operator Representative for Kishan Nundloll on all agenda items except agenda item 9, in addition to her own role as Pipeline Operator Representative.

### **2. RECORD OF INVITEES AND OBSERVERS**

None.

### **3. MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes from the iGT UNC Panel 14-12 were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

### **4. ACTIONS ARISING**

**Action 01/14-13:** JR to speak again with Colette Baldwin (E.ON and iGT056 Proposer) with regard to the status of iGT056.

**Action 02/14-13:** SL to inform SPAA of the iGT UNC approval of the Data Quality Workgroup Report.

**Action 03/14-13:** SL to inform Elecon of the iGT UNC approval of the CACoP Report.

## 5. SHORT NOTICE BUSINESS

None.

## 6. PANEL DECISIONS

None.

## 7. UPDATE ON DEVELOPMENT GROUPS

### [iGT056 – UPRN Provision](#)

JR noted there had been no update from Colette Baldwin (E.ON) as the proposer of the Modification. KD added that the Modification would not be withdrawn at this stage as E.ON were not yet in a position to provide a full answer on the Modification status. AM mentioned that the UNC were having similar discussions as to the status of the equivalent UNC Modification Proposal. JR agreed to follow up on the status of the Modification with Colette Baldwin.

**Action 01/14-13: JR to speak again with Colette Baldwin (E.ON and iGT056 Proposer) with regard to the status of iGT056.**

## 8. URGENT MODIFICATION PROPOSALS RECEIVED

None.

## 9. NON-URGENT MODIFICATION PROPOSALS RECEIVED

### [iGT069 - The removal of K1.2\(e\)\(ii\) – use of Upstream System User agreements](#)

KN presented the Modification Proposal, noting it was intended to simplify current arrangements, ensuring a one-to-one shipper relationship between the iGT supply point and the CSEP supply point. KN noted the Modification would not have a material impact and was therefore proposed as a Self-Governance Modification. KN further suggested the Modification should be discussed at the next iGT Shipper Standing Work Group Meeting at which stage the Self-Governance status could be confirmed.

RE noted the Workgroup should also consider the implications of iGT069 on iGT039 and UNC440.

The Panel unanimously **AGREED** that iGT069 should proceed to Development Workgroup at the next iGT Shipper Standing Work Group Meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2015 and declined to make a decision on the Self-Governance status of the Modification prior to the Workgroup meeting.

## 10. FAST TRACK MODIFICATION PROPOSALS RECEIVED

None.

## 11. WORKGROUP REPORTS

### [iGT039 - Use of a Single Gas Transporter Agency](#)

GH noted the Development Group for iGT039 had concluded after 30 meetings held over a period of three years. GH presented the Workgroup Report, stating the Workgroup had fully reviewed and approved the legal text and was now asking the Panel to accept the report, close the Workgroup and recommend that the Modification Proposal proceed to consultation as a Draft Modification Report. The Panel noted the excellent work carried out by GH during the course of the development of the Modification.

SL considered whether the Panel might look to extend the Draft Modification Proposal consultation period, as the standard consultation period of 15 working days would close out the consultation on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2015, which would coincide with an Ofgem decision letter on their proposed licence change to introduce an Agency including Agency Services Funding as well as their minded to position on parallel UNC Modifications UNC440 and UNC467. In order for parties to fully consider the impacts of the decision letter, GH proposed the consultation period could be extended by five working days. SL highlighted a consultation period of 20 days would result in a close date of 21<sup>st</sup> January 2015, with enough time for the presentation of the Final Modification Report to the February Panel.

The Panel unanimously **AGREED** to issue iGT039 for consultation and unanimously **AGREED** to extend the consultation period for iGT039 by five business days to a twenty day window.

## 12. FINAL MODIFICATION REPORTS

### [iGT066 – Aligning iGT UNC with SLC9](#)

SL noted Modification Proposal iGT066 had been raised to ensure iGT UNC rules were in line with new licence obligations added to iGT licences in December 2013; the Modification had been discussed at the iGT Shipper Standing Work Group and issued for consultation, with consultation responses published in a Final Modification Report. SL summarised consultation responses which were in support of the Proposal and which agreed that the Modification would facilitate Relevant Objective c) (Efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations) by ensuring the Modification Rules were fully compliant with the Licence. SL also noted that the Proposer's view was that the Modification could be implemented two months following an Authority Decision to implement. The Panel supported the Proposer's view, and that of the consultation respondents. RE reminded that Panel that Ofgem's turnaround time for the Final Modification Report would be lengthened due to Ofgem's Christmas Moratorium.

The Panel unanimously **AGREED** to recommend implementation of the Modification Proposal together with a 2 month implementation release date.

## 13. AUTHORITY UPDATES

None.

## 14. ANCILLARY DOCUMENT REVIEW

SL provided an update on the review of the iGT UNC Ancillary Documents that was being carried out alongside the iGT039 development. The review has confirmed that a number of these documents would no longer be required after the introduction of a single service; necessary changes had been identified to most of the remaining documents, whilst discussions remained around RPC/portfolio reporting requirements. It was the intention that Modification Proposals to effect the required changes would be raised within the next month.

## 15. DATA QUALITY WORKGROUP

SL noted the final report from the joint gas industry Data Quality Workgroup had been circulated. Panel Members did not raise any concerns with the report and unanimously accepted the report.

**Action 02/14-13:** SL to inform SPAA of the iGT UNC Panel approval of the Data Quality Workgroup Report.

## 16. CACoP REPORT

SL noted the CACoP Report had been circulated for review by the Panel. Panel Members did not raise any concerns and unanimously accepted the report. SL stated the report contained an incorrect reference to principle 9 instead of principle 5, which would be highlighted to Elexon along with the notification of approval of the report.

AM noted whilst the CACoP alignment had introduced a number of improvements, caution was needed to ensure any future changes or alignments between the various Codes did not introduce additional unjustified complexity.

**Action 03/14-13** SL to inform Elexon of the iGT UNC Panel approval of the CACoP Report.

## 16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

SL stated a proposal to introduce of a period of six “non-effective days” before the switch to SSP was being considered by Xoserve and had been discussed at recent iGT Shipper Standing Work Group meetings. SL noted there had been concerns that the six additional days could delay switching processes and result in Suppliers being placed in breach of their

licence conditions under faster switching. RE mentioned he had discussed the issue with Andrew Wallace (Ofgem); Ofgem had no view on the issue at the moment, but was aware and would consider it as and when the Modification to introduce the non-effective days was raised.

***The next Modification Panel meeting will be convened at 11:00am on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2015.***