

iGT UNC Modification Workstream Meeting 18-02

Tuesday 6th February 2018

Gemserv, 8 Fenchurch Place, London EC3M 4AJ

Attendee		Organisation	
Steve Ladle	(SL)	Gemserv	Chairman
Claire Towler*	(CT)	SSE	
Mark Jones*	(MJ)	SSE	
Kirsty Dudley*	(KD)	E.ON	
Rob Johnson*	(RJ)	ES Pipelines	
Nicky Rozier*	(NR)	BU-UK	
Paul Orsler*	(PO)	Xoserve	
Rachel Bird	(RB)	Gemserv	Secretariat

1. Welcome and apologies for absence

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting of the iGT UNC Modification Workstream. Apologies were received from Andrew Margan (Centrica).

2. Confirmation of Agenda

The Chair confirmed the items for discussion as outlined in the final agenda. NR requested Meter plots in the PSA process be added as AOB. KD also requested that MPRN Range list is also added as AOB. The Chair noted that this would be covered at the end of the meeting.

3. Approval of the Previous Minutes

Attendees reviewed the minutes from the Modification Workstream meeting held on 9th January 2018 (18-01). The Workgroup did not have any comments on the previous minutes. 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.

MWS17/12-06

RJ noted that he had discussed this action with Katy Binch and can now advise that ESP is monitoring the changes within the SPAA arena relating to RGMA and will update the iGT RGMA Guidance Document accordingly in line with the implementation date(s) of the change(s).

MWS18/01-06

RJ noted that following the last meeting a matrix had been put together to cover potential gaps in contact/escalation contacts. This covers three points of escalation for metering/supply point issues, pricing consultations, invoicing and regulatory matters. KD suggested that from experience in other areas SPAA and the MRA has struggled to keep these lists up to date due to the nature of change in the industry. KD noted that there would be a need to mandate this into Code as this leads to issues of maintenance and ownership of the document. RJ noted that he is hesitant to impose this on parties and suggested that this could be created without the need for a modification to be raised and put into Code. KD suggested that this may be something the CA could discuss at the next CACoP meeting to get a perspective on how this works across other Codes. RB resolved to take this away to speak to other Code Administrators.

Action MWS18/02-01: CA to discuss the various approaches to contact lists across all Codes at the next CACoP meeting.

5. Cross-Code Modification Implications

The Chair introduced a document prepared by the Code Administrator which is to be used to track UNC modifications which could have an impact on the iGT UNC.

The Workgroup reviewed the document and discussed the possible implications to the iGT UNC, the discussion is detailed below;

Mod Ref	Description	Workgroup determination
647	Opening Class 1 reads to Competition	This modification proposes to Open Class 1 reads to competition by introducing common arrangements for Class 1 and 2 by removing the DNO obligation to provide a Daily Read service to Shippers for non-telemetered Class 1 Supply Meter Points. There may be iGT UNC implications and Workgroup resolved to monitor this modification.
646 R	Review of the Offtake Arrangements Document	No iGT UNC implications.
645 S	Amending the oxygen content limit in the Network	No iGT UNC implications.
644	Improvements to nomination and reconciliation through the introduction of new EUC bands and improvements in the CWV	No iGT UNC implications. However, could impact iGT systems as this proposes to make changes to the charging bands.
641 S	Amendments to Modification 0431 - Shipper/Transporter - Meter Point Portfolio Reconciliation rules and obligations	The Workgroup noted that this will affect the iGT UNC and noted ESPUG intends to raise a modification to implement this into Code, however, this has now missed the standard deadline for submission to be included in the November release.
640 S	Provision of access to Domestic Consumer data for Suppliers	iGT106 has been raised and completed Final Modification report is due to go to the February Panel. The Chair noted that the UNC640 legal text has been updated and is now not in line with iGT106 which its text is based on. The UNC text has omitted some data items and added a new paragraph around permissions.

		ACTION; PO to speak with Andrew Margan (Centrica) to ascertain whether the change in legal text could impact the iGT UNC.
638	Mandate monthly read submission for Smart and AMR sites from 01 April 2018	This modification has been implemented by the Authority, however, the legal text does not have any implications for the iGT UNC. Therefore, the iGT UNC Workgroup resolved to remove this from the tracker.
637 S	Amending the permissions to release data to Meter Asset Provider organisations	iGT105 has been raised and completed Final Modification report is due to go to the February Panel.
636 B	Updating the parameters for the NTS Optional	No iGT UNC implications.
635	Reforms to incentivise accurate and timely DM reads to improve the accuracy of Unidentified Gas allocation	An alternative modification has been raised for this issue. The Workgroup noted that this may affect the iGT UNC and noted that this should continue to be monitored.
634	(Urgent) - Revised estimation process for DM sites with D-7 zero consumption	NR noted that BU-UK believe that the removal of Consumption data references in the Code was an oversight and these should be put back into Code to align with UNC. This modification was implemented on 20 th November 2017, however has been referred back to a WG for wider discussion on the solution, with Xoserve providing data on Zero consumption reads. ACTION; Nicky Rozier (BU-UK) to raise a FT modification to correct the Code with regards to Consumption adjustment reads.
633	Mandate monthly read submission for Smart and AMR sites from 01 December 2017	This modification has been rejected by the Authority and therefore the iGT UNC Workgroup resolved to remove this from the tracker.
632 S	Shipper asset details reconciliation	The Workgroup noted that this may affect the iGT UNC and noted that this should continue to be monitored. WG noted the intention of this modification has changed slightly and therefore the Workgroup report has not yet been finalised. Although the iGT UNC points across to part of Section M it does not encompass all changes made to the UNC. Possible iGT UNC implications. ACTION; Paul Orsler (Xoserve) to review the legal text of UNC632 to ascertain whether there is a catch-all statement which would include iGT details.
630 R	Review of the consequential changes required in UNC as a result of the Ofgem Switching Programme	The Workgroup noted that this may affect the iGT UNC and noted that this should continue to be monitored. WG resolved to wait for more development in this review group before forming an iGT equivalent.
624 R	Review of arrangements for Retrospective Adjustment of Meter Information, Meter Point/Supply Point and Address data	A finalised Workgroup report is being presented at the February Panel to recommend that this review group is closed. The Workgroup did not reach a consensus and there has been a suggestion to wait for the implementation of UNC434 before making any further progress in the area. An alternative solution may be raised by a Transporter which would include a large-

		scale data cleaning exercise and Xoserve have suggested this may need to be a joint Workgroup as this will span both GT and iGT meter points. The Workgroup also resolved to add UNC434 to the tracker.
623	Governance Arrangements for Alternatives to Self-Governance Modification Proposals	The Consultation for this modification has ended and responses to this are positive. A mirror modification will be needed for the iGT UNC if parties require the iGT UNC process for self-governance alternate modifications to continue to be in line with the UNC process, assuming 623 is passed for implementation.
619	Application of proportionate ratchet charges to daily read sites	619, 619A & 619B are currently out for consultation. iGT UNC to monitor which modification Ofgem approve as these are Authority decision modifications.
434	Project Nexus – Retrospective Adjustment	<p>This mod was approved at the same time as the other Nexus Mods but implementation was deferred until at least November 2018. It is recommended that the iGT UNC text be reviewed to determine whether any further changes are required to properly align with the UNC legal text for this modification.</p> <p>ACTION; CA to review the legal txt for UNC434 and speak with the Joint Office with regards to an internal review and any possible implications.</p>

Action MWS18/02-02: CA to update the Cross-Code modification implications tracker to close all modifications which do not implicate the iGT UNC.

Action MWS18/02-03: Paul Orsler (Xoserve) to review the legal text of UNC632 to ascertain whether there is a catch-all statement which would include iGT details.

Action MWS18/02-04: CA to review the legal txt for UNC434 and speak with the Joint Office with regards to an internal review and any possible implications.

Action MWS18/02-05: PO to speak with Andrew Margan (Centrica) to ascertain whether the change in legal text for 640S could impact the iGT UNC legal text for iGT 106.

PO noted that Xoserve has proposed a draft modification which looks at a holistic approach to agreeing on iGT UNC permissions around data sharing. KD suggested that a better approach to this issue would be a review group, the Workgroup agreed. NR queried whether a request could go to the February Panel and come back to the March Workstream for development. RB confirmed that the timeline for this could be achieved and resolved to send PO the necessary templates for a request and terms of reference for the group.

MJ suggested this review group should be opened up to a wider review of looking at improving the way the iGT UNC and UNC change processes are aligned and/or the future potential for fully incorporating the iGT UNC within the UNC. KD stressed that opening this review group up to this wider issue would be too broad and would complicate the issue of data sharing permissions, adding that amalgamation is a separate issue. PO suggested that if the structure of the proposed review group is successful this could pave the way for a wider discussion. MJ resolved to take this away and draft a possible request for a larger review group.

Action MWS18/02-06: CA to send over review group request template to PO to raise a review group on data sharing permissions.

6. Modification Workgroup

None.

7. iGT Portfolio extracts – ‘Planned sites’

The Chair introduced this issue which had been brought to the group's attention by Centrica. Centrica had identified that not all IGTs provide 'planned' status MPR portfolio data in the monthly portfolio extract. Following an initial review of the Code by Centrica, they identified that planned meter points appear to be allowed in the Extract. The definition of the MPR on the Extract specifically states the words "or will be" connected to the gas network and the Meter Point Status Code has a definition PL - Planned. KD added that this issue had been highlighted 3 or 4 years prior with no consensus reached as the legal text seems to create a 'grey area' of interpretation.

NR confirmed that BU-UK does include confirmed planned sites in their portfolio extract. RJ confirmed that this was also the case for ESPUG.

The Chair highlighted that the legal text in part G reads 'The Pipeline Operators shall provide a Portfolio Extract to each Pipeline User by the fifth Business Day of each month with details of Supply Meter Points as of the first Business day of that month.' And does not specify whether these are live meter points. The Chair went on to confirm that the definition of MPR in Appendix G-2 is 'DEFINITION: A system generated unique identifier for the point at which a meter is, has been or will be connected to the gas network'. NR suggested that the Code is reasonably clear in its definition.

KD suggested that all iGTs are contacted to ascertain whether they are omitting these planned sites by accident or if they are interpreting the Code differently. KD suggested that this would steer the next steps for this issue. The Workgroup resolved that the Code Administrator would be best placed to address this issue. KD also suggested that an expectation of when iGTs can resolve this issue by updating report etc. can be delivered.

Action MWS18/02-07: CA to send out an email to all iGTs to ascertain their interpretation of the Code with regards to including planned meter points in the portfolio extract.

8. iGT UNC Known Issues register

The Workgroup reviewed the current items recorded on the known issues register

Housekeeping of the iGT RGMA Guidance

The Workgroup resolved to remove this from the register, as this action had now been addressed. However, KD noted that a new issue should be added to specifically detail that all changes should be incorporated into the document by June 2018 where the SPAA changes will be implemented. The

document will need to be submitted to the iGT UNC Code Administrator for circulation and publication to the iGT UNC website.

RGMA Procedures post PNID

PO confirmed that UKLP262 would be included in the third release, due to be implemented in November 2018. This has now been removed from the open issue list.

Potential issues with the quality of data supplied to iGTs Post Nexus

The Workgroup resolved to remove this from the register, as iGT102 has now been passed for implementation by the Authority.

MSC validation - PCW access

RJ advised that the Market Sector Code Validation issue should not be considered to be an issue. This is due to the fact that all access to DES by PCWs is driven by a domestic customer request to do so. Should the MSC under these circumstances be incorrect then the PCW would then get a rejection notification following their enquiry which should be a driver for the shipper in cleansing the data if it is incorrect.

Where the concern is that the PCW would be trying to access data for an I&C customer it would have to be at the request of that customer which would seem unlikely as the service being offered by PCWs is only targeted at Domestic customers. Furthermore, for the PCW to gain access to the data the MSC would also have to be incorrect, the combination of these two factors make the likelihood of such an eventuality seem very unlikely.

The Workgroup resolved to remove this from the register.

Action MWS18/02-08: CA to update the Known issues register and create a new tab dedicated to cross-code modifications being monitored for impacts on the iGT UNC.

9. AOB

Meter Plots - PSA

NR noted that they have been approached by a Shipper who has queried whether Meter Plot information should be included in the PSA. NR added that BU-UK currently does include this information on the revised PSA and that Code is not clear either way on what should/shouldn't be included. NR noted that BU-UK has a fix that they can deploy to omit this information if parties are in agreement.

KD cautioned that some Shipper systems have been developed to include all information and filter out where needed and any changes to this would result in operational impacts. KD added that this should be constituency approved, and therefore if any changes are to be made to how iGTs send over PSAs this should be made clear via a modification to the Code and ancillary document. The Workgroup

asked the Code Administrator to email all iGTs to see how widespread the practice is of including meter plots in revised PSAs, which would dictate the next steps.

Action MWS18/02-09: CA to send out an email to all iGTs to ascertain their interpretation of the Code with regards to including Meter Plots in revised PSRs.

MPRN Ranges Table

KD noted that she had been approached by a Shipper with regard to the recent circulation of a revised MPRN table which includes one MPRN being allocated to 'NGG' in the middle of an allocated range to a new iGT. KD added that this was circulated twice, and Shippers need time for these to be incorporated into their systems.

RB explained that the allocation of the one MPRN to 'NGG' was historical and to date, this had not been reached by any requests for more MPRNs. RB continued that when Harlaxton Gas Networks had been allocated their first 50,000 MPRNs as part of their entry to the market this single MPRN had not been taken into account and an inaccurate table had been published. On revision of the table, this was amended and Harlaxton's allocation split around the historical MPRN. RB ensured the Workgroup that now the total number of allocations had exceeded this single MPRN all future allocations would be a single continuous range.

The next iGT UNC Modification Workstream Meeting is on 6th March 2018.

Appendix 1

MWS17/11-05	7 th November 2017	NR to draft a modification proposal to change the CSEP NExA Table.	NR	Carried Forward
MWS17/12-06	5 th December 2017	RJ to review the iGT UNC RGMA Guidance document and align this with any proposed changes made in SPAA.	RJ	Closed.
MWS18/01-01	9 th January 2018	CA to update the Cross-Code modification implications tracker to close all modifications which do not implicate the iGT UNC.	CA	Closed.
MWS18/01-02	9 th January 2018	Nicky Rozier (BU-UK) to raise a FT modification to correct the Code with regards to Consumption adjustment reads.	NR	Carried Forward
MWS18/01-03	9 th January 2018	CA to finalise the Workgroup report for iGT106 and add this to the Final Agenda for the January Panel meeting.	CA	Closed.
MWS18/01-04	9 th January 2018	RJ to revisit MCS validation for PCW access with Victoria Parker and bring a paper back to the next Workstream meeting.	RJ	Closed.
MWS18/01-05	9 th January 2018	CA to update the Known issues register and create a new tab dedicated to cross-code modifications being monitored for impacts on the iGT UNC.	CA	Closed.
MWS18/01-06	9 th January 2018	RJ to draft a one-page paper for the February Workstream meeting to discuss which proposed Shipper contacts should be included in the SOS Escalation document.	RJ	Closed.
MWS18/02-01	6 th February 2018	CA to discuss the various approaches to contact lists across all Codes at the next CACoP meeting.	CA	New
MWS18/02-02	6 th February 2018	CA to update the Cross-Code modification implications tracker to close all modifications which do not implicate the iGT UNC.	CA	New

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MWS18/02-06	6th February 2018	CA to send over review group request template to PO to raise a review group on data sharing permissions.	CA	New
MWS18/02-07	6th February 2018	CA to send out an email to all iGTs to ascertain their interpretation of the Code with regards to including planned meter points in the portfolio extract.	CA	New
MWS18/02-08	6th February 2018	CA to update the Known issues register and create a new tab dedicated to cross-code modifications being monitored for impacts on the iGT UNC.	CA	New
MWS18/02-09	6th February 2018	CA to send out an email to all iGTs to ascertain their interpretation of the Code with regards to including Meter Plots in revised PSRs.	CA	New