

iGT UNC Modification Workstream Meeting 16-12

Tuesday 6th December 2016

Gemserv, 8 Fenchurch Place, London EC3M 4AJ

Attendee		Organisation	
Steve Ladle	(SL)	Gemserv	Chairman
Kirsty Dudley	(KDU)	E-ON Energy	
Simon Power*	(SP)	EDF	
Maria Hesketh *	(MH)	Scottish Power	
Mark Jones	(MJ)	SSE	
Andrew Margan	(AM)	British Gas	
Paul Orsler	(PO)	Xoserve	
Gethyn Howard*	(GH)	Brookfield Utilities	Item 7 only
Nicky Rozier	(NR)	Brookfield Utilities	
John Cooper	(JC)	Brookfield Utilities	
Katy Binch	(KB)	ES Pipelines	
Kishan Nundloll	(KN)	ES Pipelines	
Nicola Garland	(NG)	Ofgem	
Paul Roche	(PR)	Gemserv	Secretariat
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 Jenny Rawlinson (Brookfield Utilities).

2. Confirmation of Agenda

The Chair confirmed the items for discussion as outlined in the final agenda. KD noted that there were additional items of business that the Code Administrator had received ahead of the meeting, specifically with respect to the file formats of PSR's connected to iGT078. 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 1st November 2016 (16-11). There were additional comments received prior to the meeting which the Code Administrator had incorporated into the draft minutes. These included an additional action point and housekeeping issues. 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 16/11-04

RB updated the Group that an email had been sent to the iGTs following the discussions at the last Workstream and Modification Panel meetings regarding the implementation date of iGT071S. The Panel had recommended (following earlier Workstream discussions) that the most viable implementation date for this Modification was PNID. This was put to the iGTs who agreed to approve this implementation date. The notice of implementation was subsequently circulated by the Code Administrator and the Modifications register updated to reflect this decision.

Action 16/11-07

RB updated the Group that an email had been sent to the iGTs following the discussions at the last Workstream and Modification Panel meetings regarding the implementation date of iGT080S. The implementation date for this Modification needed to be amended to align with the change in PNID. It was therefore suggested that the Modification be moved to the November 2017 Code release. This was put to the iGTs who agreed to approve this implementation date. The notice of implementation was subsequently circulated by the Code Administrator and the Modifications register updated to reflect this decision.

Modification Work Groups

5. iGT092 – Implementation of Non-Effective days for Project Nexus Implementation

The Chair noted that the intention at this meeting was to discuss and create the Workgroup report for iGT092; however, developments with Xoserve's Implementation Dress Rehearsal IDR tests had meant that there may be a need to extend the Non-Effective days (NEDs) which had been initially proposed.

PO updated the group on the results of various 'Dress Rehearsal' tests for Project Nexus implementation and the cut-over of data. The 'Dress Rehearsal' was carried out in a test environment set under the parameters of 7 NEDs. The test had hit many successful milestones; however, when it came to transferring the iGT data the test identified some problem areas. This IDR over ran by 2.1 days. Therefore, Xoserve are proposing that to give Shippers & Pipeline users greater confidence in the cross over process, the Non-Effective days are raised to 9. PO did comment that they expect the data transfer to run much smoother in a production environment and that the time which over-ran the 7-day proposal was very likely to be mitigated but until this can be demonstrated they have to err on the side of caution.

MH offered that they would prefer certainty in order to plan ahead for the cut-over period.

NG updated the Group on the timeline running up to the implementation of Project Nexus. The next IDR will take place in March 2017, at this point, Xoserve will know whether the data cut-over can take place in 9NEDs, this will be followed by the final IDR in early May 2017. There is a requirement to pass two of the three dress rehearsals before Project Nexus can be passed for Implementation in June 2017. As the first IDR did not meet all milestones required this test failed.

The UNC Workstream meeting to consider INC Modification 0602 is being held at the Joint Office on 12th December, which iGTs are invited to¹. There it is expected that a recommendation will be made for the PNDG on how many days should be added to de-risk the project. The industry will release its low-level transition plan on 20th January 2017. (Ofgem have asked both the UNC & iGT UNC to have their respective Modifications ready for this date to allow time for PNDG to review and approve.)

Ofgem want to make their position clear that unless both the UNC & iGT UNC Modifications go to and get passed by the PNDG, Ofgem will not pass these Modifications. It is also the view of the Authority that these Modifications cannot be Self-Governance models due to the material impact on consumers.

PO presented a new diagram created to show how the 9 NEDs will work in the timeline of the cut-over. PO acknowledged that there will need to be a change in systems for the iGTs. The group discussed the logistics of submission dates for switches in relation to the new 9 NEDs and the Chair posed whether these new NEDs should be written as a Business rule within the legal text. The Chair suggested that this new diagram is included in iGT092 either embedded within it or as an ancillary document.

PO noted that the Variant non-business days had not been codified in the iGT UNC. It was agreed by all parties that these VNBDs will be communicated out to all iGTs & Shippers and KN commented that he will make it explicit in Modification iGT092.

The Group went on to update the iGT092 Workgroup report; however, it was acknowledged that this will be further developed in the Joint office meeting on Monday 12th December 2016.

The Chair concluded that if iGT092 is to be taken to the January Panel for Decision the Consultation period for this Modification will need to be reduced. Therefore, the amended Modification Proposal will need to be sent back to the Code Administrator in good time to circulate to the panel for the Panel Meeting on 21st December 2016.

6. Discussion of comments received for iGT090F

The Chair noted that there had been no comments received regarding iGT090F and therefore an FMR will be drafted to be taken to the December Panel meeting for a decision.

¹ Agreed subsequent to this meeting that the meeting on the 12th will address both the UNC and iGT UNC modifications,

Action MWS16/12-01: Code Administrator to create the FMR for iGT090F to be taken to the December Panel for decision.

7. RG001 - FGO review implications for the iGT UNC

GH updated the Group on the current status of FGO activities. The UNC have now raised their Modification for changes (UNC 0604), however, the UNC are still working on the legal text for this Modification, and therefore the iGTs are delaying the publication of their Modification until this legal text has been finalised in order to mirror this text. GH informed the Group that the deadline for Consultations to this Modification (UNC 604) will be Thursday 8th December 2016. GH provided the Group with a timeline for the UNC Modification with the first Workgroup considering the Modification scheduled for the 6th January 2017. The aim is then to present the Workgroup report to the February UNC panel meeting on 16th February 2017 as a Self-Governance proposal with a decision to be made at the March 2017 Panel.

GH suggested that he will look into the current documents connected to FGO and re-draft these if necessary in line with the new changes. GH also suggested that he will look into the timeline of FGO implementation and develop this in light of the UNC Modification progression. Once this critical path has been worked out we will be relying on the UNC for guidance on how to proceed.

GH informed the group that by the February 2017 iGT Workstream meeting there will be more to discuss.

8. RG002 – Code Governance Review 3 (CGR3) Changes

PR noted that the official Self-Governance guidance material has now been published by Ofgem. This is something that will be uploaded to the iGT UNC website. However, it will first be circulated to the Panel for their comments.

Action MWS16/12-02: Code Administrator to circulate the Self-Governance guidance documents to the Panel for comment.

9. iGT UNC Known issues register

RB updated the Group on the additions to the Known issues register since the last Workstream meeting. The group suggested one changes to the wording in the Known issues register relating to a closed issue regarding the iGT Meter point creation process. This Housekeeping is to be carried out by the Code Administrator and the website updated.

Action MWS16/12-03: Code Administrator to update the known issues register on the iGT UNC website.

10. Metering Queries Post Nexus – iGT MAM Processes

KD noted that E.ON had reviewed Modification iGT073 and identified potential risks that may occur Post Nexus with regards to removing all query types for MAM reporting as a post-Nexus investigation

of incorrect assets will not sit under Xoserve's remit. This issue had been identified in July/August 2016 and concerns had been circulated on behalf of E.ON by the Code Administrator 3 times without comment. KD, therefore, felt it necessary to bring to this Workstream to gauge whether this concern for risks was shared by other parties.

KD noted that there may be a need for a Modification to be raised regarding this issue as they anticipate that there will be problems in this process post-Nexus.

11. AOB

KD had identified during consultation with her software developers, issues with file formats within Modifications iGT078 & iGT079. There is no explicit direction in the FMR, Ancillary document or PSR documents to indicate which file format to use to transfer data files. Traditionally parties have used .CSV files and going back to the implementation of other Modifications (iGT058) this has been the case. The Workgroup agreed that unofficially .CSV files are the considered way to transfer data between parties.

The Chair considered whether this should be something that is written into the main code for the iGT UNC. This would, however, need a party to raise a Modification to do so.

PR informed the Workgroup that the Proposed CSEP NExA table had now been published and a meeting should be scheduled within the first 15 days of December to review the table. However, due to its release being too close for parties to consider the document and provide comments, PR suggested this be added to the January agenda for discussion.

The Group agreed this and the Code Administrator is to add this to the next meeting.

Action MWS16/12-04: Code Administrator to add the CSEP NExA Table results to the January Workstream agenda for discussion.

The next iGT UNC Modification Workstream Meeting is on 5th January 2017.

Appendix 1

MWS 16/07-15	5 th July 2016	Gemserv to determine where there are any discrepancies between the UNC and iGT UNC codes following the deferral of Project Nexus's Implementation Date and consequential changes to the iGT039 Modification and legal text.	Gemserv	Closed – Agenda Item 16/12-6
MWS 16/11-01	1 st November 2016	Action Gemserv to circulate the Code Administrators survey for comment before 11 th November 2016.	Gemserv	Closed.
MWS16/11-02	1 st November 2016	KN and Code Administrator to prepare an updated version of the Modification Proposal for the Non Effective Days period, and raise ahead of the November 2016 Modification Panel meeting.	Gemserv	Closed – Agenda item 16/12-5
MWS16/11-03	1 st November 2016	Code Administrator to add the new 500,000 MPRN ranges to the central spreadsheet and upload to the website.	PO	Closed – Updated.
MWS16/11-04	1 st November 2016	Code Administrator to summarise discussions around the implementation date for iGT071 to the Modification Panel, putting forward the Workstream's recommendation to allow for a decision at the Panel meeting in November 2016.	KN	Closed – Implementation date agreed for PNID.
MWS16/11-05	1 st November 2016	Code Administrator to update the known issues register on the iGT UNC website.	Gemserv	Closed – Updated.

MWS16/11-06	1 st November 2016	Code Administrator to look into the possibility of hosting the first Workstream meeting of 2017 in the week commencing 2 nd January 2017.	Gemserv	Closed – January Workstream scheduled for 5 th January 2017.
MWS16/11-07	1 st November 2016	Code Administrator to raise a review of the implementation date of iGT080 with the Modification Panel.	Gemserv	Closed – Implementation date November 2017 code release.
MWS16/11-08	1 st November 2016	KB to combine the iGT RGMA Baseline Document and the iGT RGMA File formats document, to send to the code administrator week prior to next Workstream meeting for them to circulate to industry	KB	Carried forward to January Workstream meeting for discussion to give parties enough time to look over the document.
MWS16/12-01	6 th December 2016	Code Administrator to create the FMR for iGT090F to be taken to the December Panel for decision.	Gemserv	New
MWS16/12-02	6 th December 2016	Code Administrator to circulate the Self-Governance guidance documents to the Panel for comment.	Gemserv	New
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