

iGT UNC Modification Panel Meeting 16-10

Wednesday 19th October 2016

Gemserv, 8 Fenchurch Place, London EC3M 4AJ

Attendee	Organisation	Representing	As
Steve Ladle (SL)	Gemserv	Code Administrator	Chairman
Andrew Margan (AM)*	British Gas	Pipeline Operators	
Jenny Rawlinson (JR)*	Brookfield Utilities	Pipeline Operators	
Kish Nundloll (KN)*	ESPUG	Pipeline Operator	
Kirsty Dudley (KD)*	E.ON UK	Pipeline Users	
Kristian Pilling (KP)*	SSE Energy Supply	Pipeline Users	
Ehi Obaye (EO)*	Ofgem	Authority	
Rachel Bird (RB)	Gemserv	Code Administrator	Secretariat
Paul Rocke (PR)	Gemserv	Code Administrator	Secretariat

**Attended via teleconference*

1. Alternates, observers and apologies

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting of the iGT UNC Modification Panel meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Cher Harris (Indigo Pipelines). Kish Nundloll was nominated as the alternate for Cher Harris.

The Code Administrator welcomed Rachel Bird to the Modification Panel meeting. The Code Administrator noted that Rachel would be stepping in with Code Administrator duties; the Panel welcomed her.

2. Confirmation of Agenda

The Chair asked the Panel if they had any additional items to add to the agenda for this meeting. The Panel were happy with the agenda and did not have any additional items to add.

3. Approval of the previous minutes

The minutes from the previous Modification Panel meeting (21st September 2016) were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

4. Outstanding actions

16/09-01	Code Administrator to circulate the Draft Modification Report for iGT087 for a consultation period of 15 working days.	Completed. Closed.
16/09-02	Code Administrator to circulate the Draft Modification Report for iGT088 for a consultation period of 15 working days.	Completed. Closed.
16/09-03	Code Administrator to circulate the Draft Modification Report for iGT089 for a consultation period of 15 working days.	Completed. Closed.
16/09-04	Code Administrator to notify all parties that iGT071S is to be implemented, with the Implementation Date to be confirmed following the confirmation of the Project Nexus Implementation Date.	Completed. Closed.

PR concluded that all action points from the last meeting are now closed.

5. Short notice business

None.

6. Panel decisions

None.

7. Update on Modification Workgroups

None.

8. Update of Review Groups

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

SL noted that the Review Group had not made significant progress since the last meeting, as the implications on the iGT UNC would be largely unknown until the UNC legal text drafting approach had been finalised. JR commented that Gethyn Howard (Brookfield Utilities) remained central to the solution development; however, the timescale for conclusion of legal text drafting remained unknown.

SL suggested that there would be nothing to discuss with regards RG001 at the November 2016 Modification Workstream with further updates to be provided in December 2016/January 2017.

[RG002 – Code Governance Review Phase 3 \(CGR3\)](#)

PR noted there were no updates regarding this Review Group.

With respect to the Code Administrator Survey, PR reminded the Panel that the iGT UNC had previously been classified as a smaller Code by Ofgem, therefore meaning that the iGT UNC would contribute less to the cost of administering the survey. National Grid had agreed to be invoiced for the total cost of the survey and recharge the other Code Administrators accordingly. To this end, National Grid had developed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). However, there were errors identified within the MoU which required resolution. PR noted that the MoU would be circulated to the Panel in advance of an agreement being put in place.

Panel agreed to keep the Review Group open until the activity associated to Code Governance Review Phase 3 (CGR3) was concluded.

Action 16/10-01: Genserv to circulate to the Panel the revised Memorandum of Understanding – once drafted by National Grid – for information.

9. Withdrawn Modifications

None.

10. Urgent Modification Proposals received

None.

11. Non-urgent Modification Proposals received

The Chair noted that one Modification had been tentatively proposed but not finalised with sufficient time ahead of the Modification Panel meeting, and had subsequently been withdrawn from the agenda.

12. Fast-Track Modification Proposals received

None.

13. Workgroup Reports

None.

14. Final Modification Reports

[iGT075 – Identification of Supply Meter point pressure tier](#)

PR presented the Final Modification Report (FMR) for iGT075S, including the consultation responses from seven parties, including three Pipeline Users and four Pipeline Operators.

The Panel considered the responses within the FMR and agreed that the Modification still met the criteria for self-governance, however not all Panel members felt that the Modification, in its current form, facilitated Relevant Objective (a) or (c).

SL invited any Panel members to comment on why they did not support the Modification. JR noted that Brookfield Utilities stated they felt there were too many flaws with this Modification in its current form. JR noted that Brookfield Utilities agrees with the principle of this Modification; however, there had been no quantified benefits put forward. JR considered that the postcode was not a reliable indicator of pressure tier, in comparison to the Emergency Control Valve (ECV). The other Pipeline Operator representatives concurred with this opinion.

KD explained that the cost-benefit case was considered, however it had proved difficult to create a clear picture of quantified data as the information held was bundled with iGT and GT statistics.

The Panel explored the possibility of using portfolios in order to data share. JR commented that other options should be explored, even only to dismiss solutions which are not helpful. One suggestion was for using the Xoserve data collection to produce something that can be used as a by-product of this data collection. JR voiced a concern about the document quickly becoming outdated. KD reiterated why the Modification suggested a 90-day refresh of the document (in order that it maintains relevance).

The Panel voted on iGT075S. The Panel did not agree with a majority decision to implement iGT075S, subject to the standard appeal procedure for self-governance Modifications. The Panel voted three votes from Pipeline Operators not in support of the Modification and three from Pipeline Users in favour of the Modification.

The Chair invited any further comment from the Panel; none were received.

Action 16/10-01: Code Administrator to notify all parties that iGT075S is not to be implemented.

15. 2017 Meeting dates

2017 meeting dates were recently circulated to all Code Administrators for both Modification Panel meetings and Modification Workstream meetings.

Parties noted an industry meeting clash with the scheduled date for the first Modification Workstream meeting of 2017. There was concern that if this meeting was held the previous week the paper day would be on 22nd December 2016 and only one day following the December Modification Panel meeting; therefore, it may not be possible to prepare papers in time for the Modification Workstream. KD suggested that it may be beneficial to move it to another day of the week as a one off.

The Chair suggested that RB put this as an agenda point at the next Modification Workstream meeting for consideration.

Action 16/10-02: Code Administrator to add 2017 meeting dates to the November Modification Workstream agenda.

16. Authority updates

None.

17. Any Other Business

SL took this opportunity to welcome Andrew Margan back to the Panel following his appointment in September 2016.

JR took this opportunity to bring to attention a new Modification proposal regarding the Non-Effective Days period for Project Nexus, which would be raised for discussion ahead of the next Modification Workstream meeting.

The next Modification Panel meeting will be convened on 16th November 2016.

Summary of Actions

Action Reference	Date	Action	Owner	Status
16/10-01	19 th October 2016	Code Administrator to notify all parties that iGT075 is not to be implemented.	Code Administrator	New
16/10-02	19 th October 2016	Code Administrator to add 2017 meeting dates to the November Workstream Agenda.	Code Administrator	New