

## **IGT UNC Modification Workstream Meeting 19-01**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

Gemserv, 8 Fenchurch Place, London EC3M 4AJ

<b>Attendee</b>		<b>Organisation</b>	
Steve Ladle	(SL)	Gemserv	Chairman
Chris Barker	(CB)	BUUK	
Sebastian Eyre	(SE)*	ES Pipelines	
Kate Mulvany	(KM)*	Centrica	
Kirsty Dudley	(KD)*	E.ON	Item 8 onwards
Radhika Kalra	(RK)*	SSE	Item 6 onwards
Megan Coventry	(MC)*	SSE	
Paul Orsler	(PO)*	Xoserve	
Dave Addison	(DA)*	Xoserve	Item 6 only
Anne Jackson	(AJ)	Gemserv	Item 6 only
Rachel Clarke	(RC)	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 John Welch (Npower) and Mark Jones (SSE).

### **2. Confirmation of Agenda**

The Chair confirmed the items for discussion as outlined in the final agenda. The Workgroup had no further business to add to the agenda.

### **3. Approval of the Previous Minutes**

Attendees reviewed the minutes from the Modification Workstream meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018 (18-12). RC noted that one comment had been received from BU-UK prior to the meeting, which was to add an action point to the known issues register agenda item. The Workgroup had no additions to make to the minutes. The Chair noted that they were 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.

### **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
677 R	Shipper Supplier Theft Reporting Request	The Workgroup resolved to monitor this modification as the legal text has not yet been released and this may have an effect on the IGT UNC.
676 R	Review of Gas Transporter Joint Office Arrangements	The Workgroup resolved to monitor this modification as the legal text has not yet been released and this may have an effect on the IGT UNC.
675 S	Enabling changes to the BBL Interconnection Agreement to facilitate physical reverse flow	The Workgroup resolved that this would not have an impact on the IGT UNC. <b>Removed from tracker.</b>
674	Performance Assurance Techniques and Controls	The UNC Panel deferred discussions on this modification until their December meeting, however, the proposer has highlighted there may be IGT UNC implications. <b>Has been added to the known issues register.</b>
672	Incentivise Product Class 4 Read Performance	The Workgroup resolved to monitor this modification as the legal text has not yet been released and this may influence the IGT UNC. <b>Has been added to the known issues register.</b>
668 S	Enabling permissions for the provision of information to Alt Han Company to support smart metering roll-out	IGT116 is currently out for consultation closing on 9 <sup>th</sup> January and being sent to the January Panel for decision.
665	Introduction of suitable classification of Ratchetable Supply Points & ensuring accurate Capacity Allocations (SOQ)	The Workgroup resolved to monitor this modification as the legal text has not yet been released and this may have an effect on the IGT UNC. <b>Gazprom will not be raising an IGT modification. If parties feel there will be IGT implications as a result of this modification they are requested to raise an equivalent.</b>
664	Transfer of Sites with Low Read Submission Performance from Class 2 and 3 into Class 4	The Workgroup resolved to monitor this modification as the legal text has not yet been released and this may have an effect on the IGT UNC. <b>John Welch (Npower) will be raising an IGT modification.</b>
661 R	Reconciliation and Imbalance Cash Out Prices	The Workgroup resolved to monitor this Review group. <b>The Workgroup will request that this Workgroup is extended beyond March 2019 for further development.</b>
652	Obligation to submit reads and data for winter consumption calculation (meters in EUC bands 3 - 8)	IGT117 has been raised by Npower and is currently being developed at the Workgroup. <b>May be withdrawn by the proposer as the legal text drafting for the UNC modification has now been finalised and does not implicate IGT UNC code.</b>
651	Replacement of the Retrospective Data Update provisions	This modification was not recommended by the UNC Panel and is currently with Ofgem for a decision.
647	Opening Class 1 reads to Competition	IGT119 has been raised by ESPUG and is currently being developed at the Workgroup.

630	R	Review of the consequential changes required in UNC as a result of the Ofgem Switching Programme	RG005 has been raised by ESPUG and is currently being developed at the Workgroup.
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PO noted that Ofgem had committed to returning an implementation response in January to the UNC Panel for UNC647. Therefore, the IGT UNC may be in a better position to act on an equivalent following this decision.

## Review Groups

### 6. [RG005 – IGT UNC Review of Consequential Changes resulting from Faster Switching arrangements](#)

CB presented an amended Review Group Request and seeks to undertake a review of the IGT UNC with the aim of identifying Consequential Changes required as a result of the development of the REC. CB noted that with Ofgem directing the various Industry Codes to review for any consequential changes and impacts to their current state with the development of the REC (Retail Energy Code), the IGT UNC requires a Review Group to assess these potential impacts.

CB noted that the aim of the review group is to produce a report that will identify the areas of the IGT UNC which are impacted with the introduction of the REC and thus will need to consider the following:

- Areas to transition into the REC, either on their own or alongside UNC obligations;
- Areas to remain in the IGT UNC but require updating as a result;
- Areas of the IGT UNC remaining, but with similar topics transferring away from the UNC. I.e. unique obligations within the IGT UNC which are required to remain so; and
- References between the IGT UNC and UNC codes which may be displaced due to obligations transferring to the REC.

The report also sets out the timetable of deliverables as set out by Ofgem which culminates with all Code reviews being completed by the end of March 2019.

The Workgroup then reviewed a [presentation](#) prepared by AJ.

The Workgroup reviewed the Ofgem high level plan for delivering the Switching Programme with the key milestones for Codes being March 2019 for delivery of the Code reviews which is needed in order to deliver REC version 2. AJ noted that the switching process will now be initiated by the Supplier and not the Shipper, noting that the current chain of events will no longer exist following implementation of the CSS.

AJ noted that the programme is currently in the draft SCR stage and legal text which is produced from all retail Codes will be available in the public domain until an SCR is launched by Ofgem and

implemented on their suggested timetable, which is projected to be in 2021. The Chair noted that this would result in both the current Code and the proposed SCR Code needing to be maintained in parallel until 2021.

The Chair noted that with Single Service implementation the proposed text was created, frozen and then a catch-up exercise was carried out closer to implementation to catch up and make any further required changes to the Code within this time. AJ noted that the maintenance will be in the gift of the Code to maintain.

The group discussed the various versions of the REC and there were some differing views on what will be delivered in each iteration. DA noted that;

- REC version 1 looks to deliver all interface and operational issues including data migration for the CSS;
- REC version 2 looks to deliver all changes needed to deliver a CSS go-live. This aims to be the slimmest version of the Code in order to deliver switching;
- REC version 3 incorporates deliverables to close down Codes (MRA & SPAA) and the harmonisation of systems.

The Chair suggested that if the maintenance of Code and other potential changes will be needed after the initial date of March 2019 the Review Group should stay open until Switching is delivered. The proposer agreed with this and noted that he would amend the report to reflect this.

DA added that the intention for the UNC630R group is to close after the March deadline.

DA noted that there will be a level of data cleansing needed before the go-live of CSS and that this will be scheduled after the CSS provider has been allocated. DA also noted that Xoserve has produced a GT and IGT Business Requirements Document (BRD) which includes information about additional data being included in the CSS. AJ added that this may be a valuable document to use in IGT analysis of the Code.

The Workgroup reviewed BU-UKs [initial review document](#).

CB noted that the initial review sets out steps which will need to be taken in order to deliver the review to Ofgem. This includes two extra dates for a small group to carry out two page turns of the Code in order to identify the areas of the Code impacted by Switching. CB added that by the February meeting more information will be known regarding the UNC review.

The Workgroup was happy with the proposed timetable.

**Action MWS19/01-01: CA to schedule two extra meetings for the RG005 Code page review.**

## Modification Workgroups

### 7. [IGT117 - Introduction of winter read/consumption reports and associated obligations](#)

The Chair noted that the legal text for UNC652 has now been finalised and at present, the draft legal text would not result in any IGT UNC changes.

The Chair suggested that Npower may wish to withdraw the modification following the publication of any finalised UNC legal text, if it remains that IGT UNC changes will not be required.

### 8. [IGT118V – Amendments to the IGT UNC Password Protection Protocols](#)

RK presented the amended modification to the Workgroup, noting that the proposal has only changed within the solution section. RK noted that two bullet points have been added to widen the original scope of the document, making the password protection protocol applicable to both Invoice backing data and portfolio extracts but to widen this to all information exchanged. The Workgroup discussed whether there would be a separate data set which included who passwords would be sent to within organisations. KD noted that the proposal would look to use the existing Standards of Service escalation spreadsheet (SOS). Passwords are proposed to be sent to the contract managers listed in this spreadsheet.

RC noted that the SOS was not codified and therefore the information contained within may be out of date.

CB questioned how a Pipeline User (PU) would know that a password had been received by a Pipeline Operator (PO). CB added that there may need to be a section added to the Ancillary document to include that 'parties are encouraged to respond to password allocation emails, however, if parties fail to respond within 10 working days it is assumed by the Pipeline User that this has been accepted'.

RK noted that this was a sensible suggestion and resolved that this would be included in the ancillary document.

The Workgroup reviewed the Ancillary document and noted one suggested change, being the amendment of 'will' to 'should' in section 2.2 of the document.

CB noted that BU-UK conducted a review of the IGT UNC and noted that in section K23.2a the Code includes references to CDs and DVDs which would become redundant if this modification was to be implemented. CB noted that this should, therefore, be included in the modification.

RK acknowledged the addition and noted that the Ancillary document would be amended and submitted for review at the February Workstream meeting.

CB queried whether a wider issue should be captured on the known issues register around communication between PU and PO in the context of data sharing. The Workgroup agreed with this view.

**Action MWS19/01-02 CA to add communication issues between PU and PO to the known issues register.**

**Action MWS19/01-03: RK to amend Ancillary document for IGT118V and submit for review at the February Workstream meeting.**

## 9. [IGT119 – Opening Class 1 read services on IGT Meter Supply Points to Competition](#)

SE noted that following the amendments made to the UNC modification he had contacted WWU, the proposer of the modification to discuss those changes and the legal text. SE noted that the legal text has not yet been finalised and therefore the IGT UNC could not be updated at this time.

The Chair noted that this is now a joint workgroup and therefore the next meeting where this modification will be reviewed is the Distribution Workgroup meeting due to be held on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019. SE noted that WWU had indicated the legal text would be made available for this meeting. Subsequently, the IGT UNC modification can then be amended in time for the IGT UNC Workstream meeting in February.

## 10. Application of Ratchets within the IGT UNC

The Chair introduced a paper to the Workgroup noting that following the progression of UNC665 references to Ratchets have been reviewed in the IGT UNC. The Chair noted that prior to Single Service implementation the only section of Code that Ratchets appeared was in Part CII where the text replicates UNC text protecting the Operator in controlling the offtake from their pipelines.

Following IGT039 implementation references to Ratchets was extended to CI, E and M and it appears that the text here was created to make cross-references to the UNC make sense when read as part of the IGT UNC.

The Chair noted that the paper set out discussion questions including whether the CDSP detect and charge Ratchets on the IGT network. PO confirmed that the CDSP do currently detect when an IGTS meter point has Ratcheted and does apply the DN charges. KD questioned where in Code it sets this out. PO noted that he would take back and action to find where this clause lies within the IGT UNC and/or UNC and bring this back to the February meeting.

KD noted that there needs to be clear governance in Code to support the charge methodology.

**Action MWS19/01-04: PO to confirm where in the IGT UNC and UNC Ratchet charges and different connect types are covered.**

## 11. AQ Review process

RC noted that Indigo Pipelines had raised an issue with regards to the 2018 AQ review process. The group discussed the paper and PO noted that if the Formula AQ has not had nine months' worth of reads sent to the UK Link system prior to the review the Formula AQ would roll over to the next year.

PO noted that he would write to IGTs to respond to the questions within the paper and circulate this before the next meeting.

**Action MWS19/01-05: PO to write to IGTs to confirm Formula AQ processes within UK Link to answer concerns in the IGT process.**

## 12. IGT UNC Known Issues Register

The Workgroup reviewed the current items recorded on the known issues register. The workgroup agreed the following changes and comments.

- MPRN range allocation has been removed following the document being published on the website;
- Addition of possible issues on communication within the data sharing process; and
- Addition of MDD process being moved into UNC governance.

**Action MWS19/01-06: CA to add the new issues raised to the Known issues register.**

## 13. AOB

None.

**The next IGT UNC Modification Workstream Meeting is on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019**

## Appendix 1

MWS18/12-01	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	CA to add UNC656 and the issue of two named alternates to the known issue register.	CA	Closed.
MWS18/12-02	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	PO to speak with CB (BU-UK) to look over areas of the Code to prioritise in a Switching review group.	PO	Closed. Agenda item 6.
MWS18/12-03	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	CA to speak with John Welch (Npower) to ascertain whether Npower will be raising an	CA	Closed. Agenda item 5.



		IGT equivalent modification to UNC664.		
MWS18/12-04	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	CA to speak with Gazprom to ascertain whether an IGT equivalent modification needs to be raised to UNC665.	CA	Closed. Agenda item 5.
MWS18/12-05	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	CA to share the IGT116V Workgroup report with the Joint Office ahead to the December Distribution Workgroup meeting to be completed on the same day.	CA	Closed. Consultation closes on 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2019.
MWS18/12-06	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	CA to send to ESPUG the legal text analysis for IGT119.	CA	Closed.
MWS18/12-07	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	CA to speak to the Joint Office around incorporating IGT119 in a joint workgroup with UNC647.	CA	Closed.
MWS18/12-08	4 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	CA to add the new MPRN process guidance document to the IGT UNC website.	CA	Closed.
<b>MWS19/01-01</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> January 2018</b>	<b>CA to schedule two extra meetings for the RG005 Code page review.</b>	<b>CA</b>	<b>New</b>
<b>MWS19/01-02</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> January 2018</b>	<b>CA to add communication issues between PU and PO to the known issues register.</b>	<b>CA</b>	<b>New</b>
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<b>MWS19/01-06</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> January 2018</b>	<b>CA to add the new issues raised to the Known issues register.</b>	<b>CA</b>	<b>New</b>