

CACoP Forum meeting 20

10 November 2020, 10:00 – 12:30

Teleconference

Final Minutes

Attendee	Representing
Paul Rocke (PR) (<i>Chair</i>)	IGT UNC
Holly Burton (HBu) (<i>Secretary</i>)	Gemserv
David Kemp (DK)	SEC
Eugene Asante (EA)	MRA
Debbie Houldsworth (DH) (<i>part</i>)	Gemserv
Matthew Woolliscroft (MW)	BSC
Kirsten Shilling (KS)	CUSC, Grid Code, STC
Joseph Henry (JH) (<i>part</i>)	National Grid ESO
Helen Bennett (HB)	UNC
Richard Colwill (RC)	DCUSA
Fraser Mathieson (FM)	SPAA
Jonathan Coe (JC)	Ofgem

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting.

The Chair noted apologies from Steven Steer and Greg Johnston (both from Ofgem).

2. MEETING 19 MINUTES

The Chair noted no comments were received on the minutes from CACoP meeting 19 which took place on 13 October 2020. The Forum approved the minutes as written.

3. ACTIONS UPDATE

Ref	Action	Update	Status
11/05	Each Code Administrator to consider what steps are needed to bring the REC into the process for identifying cross-Code impact.	It was noted in meeting 12 that the integration of the REC would be expedited once Code Managers are appointed beyond June 2020. This action will remain open and on hold until decisions have been confirmed.	On hold
18/04	Code Administrators to review the updated business case and provide comments offline by 25 September 2020.	Discussions will be held once the business case has been updated, with activities recently being adopted by Gemserv.	On hold
18/05	Code Administrators to discuss the business case with Code Panels and/or management teams in October 2020 to seek commitment for funding the central website.	Discussions will be held once the business case has been updated, with activities recently being adopted by Gemserv.	On hold
18/06	Gemserv (PR and DK) to update the modification proposal template based on changes previously agreed at the workshop on 30 July 2020, before circulating to the Forum on 6 October. Members will be asked to agree a suitable approach to standardising these templates across all Codes.	The updated Modification template was circulated as part of the meeting papers. Please refer to paper reference 'CACoP_2011_06 – Modification proposal form updates' for more information.	Closed
19/01	SEC (DK) to liaise with IGT UNC Secretariat (RC) to include a piece which can be included as part of the October 2020 newsletter relating to vacant seats.	An update was included as part of final Newsletter content. Information highlighted that two of the three Shipper seats on the IGT UNC Panel are currently vacant, leaving Shippers underrepresented.	Closed
19/02	SEC (DK) to include content raised by National Grid (KS) within the October 2020 Newsletter relating to CUSC and DCUSA Targeted Charging Review (TCR) modifications.	The content was included in the Newsletter.	Closed
19/03	Gemserv (PR) to provide a re-drafted modification template to include a table highlighting the consumer benefit	The Chair (PR) provided an example of a Consumer Impacts Modification Proposal which was circulated to Code Administrators on 21 October 2020.	Closed

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	guidance which should work to aid Panels and the Authority in making modification decisions.		
19/04	Code Administrators to present the Consumer Benefits Guidance Document to their relevant Codes before making appropriate changes to their templates from whatever mechanism is used to do so. Code Administrators will then be requested to report back at the next CACoP meeting in November 2020 advising on progress and whether further work should be progressed.	The updates from each Code Administrator are noted below. This action will remain open while the remaining updates are sought.	Open
19/05	SEC (DK) to replace the word 'Objective' with more appropriate terminology within the Consumer Benefits Guidance document to avoid confusion. The document should provide clarity that Code Administrators will be assessing against criteria as opposed to objectives.	The Consumer Benefits Guidance document has been updated to reference 'areas' rather than 'objectives'. This was circulated to Code Administrators on 21 October 2020.	Closed
19/06	Gemserv (PR) to circulate an updated modification proposal form template W/C 19 October 2020 which will help aid discussion at the next CACoP Forum meeting in November 2020.	Please refer to paper reference 'CACoP_2011_06 – Modification proposal form updates' for more information.	Closed
19/07	Gemserv (PR) to adopt all open actions from ElectraLink relating to the Central CACoP Business case such as updating the CACoP website business case to include a breakdown of associated Code costs per annum, alongside a risks and mitigations matrix.	Gemserv (PR) is currently in the process of updating the Central CACoP Website Business Case. Gemserv is awaiting third party costs from website developers before updating the business case and circulating to the Forum.	Open
19/08	Gemserv (PR) to seek third party quotes from website	Gemserv (PR) is currently in the process of updating the Central CACoP Website	Open

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	developers to design a centralised CACoP Website and update the business case with associated outcomes ready for discussion at the next CACoP Forum in November 2020.	Business Case. Gemserv is awaiting third party costs from website developers before updating the business case and circulating to the Forum. Quotes are likely to be received in the week commencing 16 November 2020.	
19/09	MRA (EA) to incorporate agreed changes to the Central Modifications Register which should be made effective from the next update in November 2020.	The changes discussed at the October 2020 CACoP Forum meeting have been incorporated. The register has been circulated to industry requesting for updates by 9 November 2020.	Open
19/10	ElectraLink (FM) to work alongside UNC (HB) and the Chair (PR) in starting conversations to seek future representation from Xoserve, which will in turn feed into future update requests from the CMR.	There was no progress reported against this action. FM noted that the SPAA Executive Committee was supportive of Xoserve being invited to the CACoP Forum. HB offered to reach out to any suitable contacts at Xoserve, once identified, to warm them up to the proposal they attend Forum meetings before any invites are issued.	Open
19/11	The Secretary (HB) to issue an invite to hold the cross-Code engagement day on Thursday 19 November 2020, 10:00-13:00.	An article drafted by the Chair (PR) was circulated to the Forum requesting this to be issued to the wider industry. In addition, a placeholder was circulated on 3 November 2020 and will be updated once the webinar link has been made available. HB raised concerns that Transporters were not happy with the proposed date of 19 November 2020, as this is the date of the UNC Panel. Whilst the Forum had acknowledged at the last meeting that it would be impossible to reach a date that did not clash with another meeting, the Transporters had requested their concerns be highlighted and minuted. HB requested a specific timeslot for presenting the UNC update at the engagement day be agreed. The Chair (PR) agreed to catch up with HB offline to discuss the issue further.	Closed

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19/12	Code Administrators to provide updated content for their Code updates as part of the engagement day to cacop@gemserv.com by Tuesday 27 October 2020. The finalised slide deck will be walked through with presenters at least one week before the engagement day.	Content has been received by all Code Administrators, but slides had yet to be received from Ofgem or from RECCo. Code Administrators noted that content within the given slides were subject to change. This action will be closed once content within slides have been finalised.	Closed

Code Administrators provided the following updates on progress against Action 19/04:

- The MRA presented the proposed approach to the MRA Development Board (MDB). The MDB noted the timing of the proposal, with the MRA being wound down, but it was noted this is being adopted across all the Codes including the REC. MDB also queried if the whole impact assessment process should be reviewed. It also requested the wording is correct and aligns to Code terminology. Overall, MDB was reluctant to commit to implementing this change immediately and sought further justification. The Forum acknowledged the comment about reviewing the whole impact assessment process is fair and this could be included in the 2021 Forward Work Plan. It also noted it is seeking to introduce the principles of this approach into Codes' template as a best practice approach.

FM queried if the MRA needs a Change Proposal to make a change to its template. EA noted no Change Proposal is needed and it is within the Code Administrator's remit to make the changes. PR noted that if all other Codes adopted this proposal then there would be more incentive for the MRA to also adopt this.

- The SPAA had spoken to the SPAA Executive Committee. FM noted the SPAA is in a similar position to the MRA in that it is being wound down. However, including this approach is easy and the SPAA Executive Committee had no concerns over doing so. FM noted that consumer benefits do not form part of any of the relevant Code objectives, and some Parties struggle to shoehorn these impacts into the case for change. Comments had been raised on the wording around environmental impact, feeling this was quite severe, that some of the impact criterion are good but others are vague, and that the areas could be better ordered. An area around vulnerable customers was also needed.

PR noted he was not expecting complete uniformity and would be interested to see how each Code adapts the guidance to fit their approaches. This could be examined as part of the six-month review, along with whether and how vulnerable customers should be captured, which could be tricky. Any changes to the relevant objectives would require Licence changes, and so would be a longer-term piece of work. Other members agreed not to make further changes now, otherwise the guidance would never get rolled out and tested. FM agreed it beneficial to roll out what has been agreed and review it later on.

- The UNC Panel will discuss this at its November 2020 meeting, along with other amendments being made to the templates linked to the critical friend process. HB was expecting this to be approved.
- The IGT UNC is seeking to have dialogue with its Panel but had missed this month's cycle so will be discussing this in December 2020. PR did not envisage any changes to what has already been said.
- These updates are being presented to the CUSC and Grid Code Panels later this month, and KS believed National Grid ESO had everything it needed for this.
- The DCUSA Panel will be discussing this on 11 November 2020 and RC did not anticipate any issues arising.
- The BSC has not yet presented this to its Panel, but MW noted some views and concerns from within Elexon. While supportive of the principle, there was a concern that inconsistent approaches may put additional work on Proposers, which could create barriers to change. PR noted this approach is intended to provide more structure to existing assessments and help Code Administrators, Proposers and Working Groups to flesh out details. Elexon had also noted there could be duplication with Ofgem's subsequent statutory assessment, with this producing a different result to the Modification Report's assessment, which could mislead the industry. JC noted Ofgem welcomes any initiative that enhances the assessment of consumer impacts. He agreed this approach is adding structure to a section already included in Modification Reports. Ofgem is happy to engage with the Forum and other stakeholders to see how Codes' assessments would feed into Ofgem's assessments.
- The SEC Panel will be informed of this approach at its meeting on 13 November 2020. DK noted the SEC's templates are updated and the approach is now being rolled out.

4. CODE UPDATES

Each Code Administrator representative provided an update on notable activities under their Code(s).

GRID CODE

KS provided the following updates:

- [GC0147 'Last resort disconnection of Embedded Generation – enduring solution'](#) seeks to clarify the enduring arrangements for emergency instructions that the ESO can issue to Distribution Network Operators (DNOs). These are instructions to disconnect embedded generators as a last resort in an emergency, after having exhausted all other commercially available options. This modification has been issued for Workgroup Consultation, with responses due by 27 November 2020.
- [GC0142 'Adding Non-Standard Voltages to the Grid Code'](#) was raised following the rejection of System Quality and Standards of Supply (SQSS) modification [GSR021 'Operational and Planning Criteria for 220kV Transmission Assets'](#). This modification is being raised to seek modifications to the Grid Code. A separate modification will be raised to modify the SQSS.

The modifications are looking to incorporate equipment at nominal voltages other than those that are currently used within the Codes. This modification was sent back for further work by the Authority and will be discussed at a Grid Code modification meeting in the week commencing 16 November 2020.

- The Grid Code Panel Elections have recently concluded with the results expected to be published to the National Grid ESO website shortly.

CUSC

KS provided the following updates:

- The Authority's decisions on the TCR modifications are pending.
- Decisions from the second Balancing Services Use of System (BSUoS) task force are expected soon.
- National Grid ESO has relaunched consultations on its previous Brexit modifications in the event of a no-deal exit in January.

DCUSA

RC provided the following update:

- [DCP371 'Last Resort Arrangements for Distributors to manage specific Consumer Connected Devices'](#) seeks to provide the governance arrangements regarding DNOs' proposal to be able to manage consumers' devices such as electric vehicle chargers connected to Smart Meter Infrastructure as a last resort measure, to prevent networks from overloading in emergency scenarios. This is a cross-Code impact arising from [SECMP0046 'Allow DNOs to control Electric Vehicle chargers connected to Smart Meter infrastructure'](#). Several joint Working Groups sessions have taken place and will continue to take place to scope views between DNOs and Suppliers.

SEC

DK provided the following updates:

- [SECMP0046 'Allow DNOs to control Electric Vehicle chargers connected to Smart Meter infrastructure'](#) proposes changes to the SEC to enable DNOs to use Smart Meter infrastructure to modify electric vehicle charging load within a household. The DCUSA is now preparing the consequential governance changes required for this change to discuss at a joint Working Group meeting on 19 November. Joint Working Group meetings will continue into the new year to finalise views on the cross-Code impacts against this modification.
- [MP077 'DCC Service Flagging'](#) proposes a simple and reliable mechanism for identifying where smart devices are, or are not, present at a location. This information is necessary for Suppliers to establish whether there is a smart metering system they can communicate with at that location, and for DNOs to correctly handle Alerts. The DCC Impact Assessment will be requested once the Preliminary Assessment has been updated in line with cross-Code impacts from Xoserve and the MRA. The MRA has agreed in principle this modification be targeted for the November 2021 Releases, although this is subject to change and will be

continually reviewed to ensure this remains appropriate. The REC is in contact with Ofgem to understand if this implementation approach would be viable.

- The SEC Panel recently approved the scope for SECAS to undertake a review of SEC Section D 'Modification Processes'. Stakeholder feedback is being gathered through one-on-one sessions and an industry request for information (RFI).
- Looking ahead, the DCC has highlighted to SECAS there could be a potential clash of dates between the June 2022 SEC Release and the Switching Programme. DK asked the other Forum members if this is something that should be considered across all Codes.

BSC

MW provided the following updates:

- [P416 'Introducing a route of appeal for the Annual Budget'](#) seeks to amend the BSC to include an appeals mechanism that BSC Parties could use to challenge items in the Annual Budget. This modification was raised on 5 November 2020 and the Initial Written Assessment (IWA) will be considered by the Panel on 12 November 2020.
- [Issue 91 'Registration and Settlement of Smart Export Guarantee \(SEG\) sites'](#) notes that the BSC should allow for export at smaller scale generation (i.e. below 30kW) to ensure that the Smart Export Guarantee (SEG) scheme is workable and therefore the issue with Meter Operator Agent (MOA) appointment for SEG sites needs to be investigated. To ensure the efficient running of the BSC, the current processes should be re-examined for the relevance to this increasing export market. This issue was raised on 5 November 2020 with the first Issue Group meeting is planned for week commencing 7 December 2020.
- [CP1530 'Introduction of a formalised process for the validation of measurement transformer ratios by Elexon'](#) proposes to create a valid list of transformer ratios and introduce a process, documented in BSC Procedure (BSCP) 515 'Licensed Distribution', where Licenced Distribution System Operators (LDSOs) submit transformer ratios to Elexon. On receipt, Elexon will check that the submitted ratios meet the valid format and establish a list of valid transformer ratios to be used by LDSOs, which will be published on the Elexon Portal. The Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG) agreed to issue CP1530 for a second consultation, which was issued on 12 October 2020 with responses due by 6 November 2020.
- [CP1536 'Use of DTC data flow D0379 for submission of unmetered Half Hourly data'](#) seeks to amend BSCP520 'Unmetered Supplies Registered in SMRS' to allow Meter Administrators (MAs) to send unmetered half-hourly data across the Data Transfer Network (DTN) using the existing D0379 'Half Hourly Advances UTC' data flow. The SVG approved CP1536 for implementation on 25 February 2021 as part of the February 2021 BSC Release.

MRA

EA provided the following updates:

- [MAP CP 0338 'Application of UTRN process for SMETS1 meters enrolled in DCC'](#) seeks to place a requirement on the new Supplier to obtain a Unique Transaction Reference Number (UTRN) themselves in the event of communications issues for a Smart Metering Equipment Technical Specifications (SMETS) 1 DCC enrolled meter going through the Change of Supplier

process. This Change Proposal was released for Impact Assessment on 29 October 2020 and will be taken to the MDB for vote on 26 November 2020.

- [SPF 107 'Reporting of Additional EMR Backing Data to Suppliers'](#) seeks to reduce the assistance in the validation required for Electricity Market Reform (EMR) Parties. The backing data within the dataflows will be in aligned to what is being invoiced and will be structured and named in line with the actual output of Settlement systems to validate Capacity Mechanism (CM) and Contracts for Difference (CFD) financial settlement.
- Some amendments to the Secure Data Exchange Portal (SDEP) were approved by the MDB, who is also concerned about the volume of changes being made.

SPAA

FM provided the following updates:

- UNC modification [UNC 7345 'Reporting Valid Confirmed Theft of Gas into Central Systems'](#) seeks to introduce a new process to help ensure that valid confirmed theft data, received from Suppliers, is appropriately reported into central systems. The SPAA is heavily involved and has been liaising with the IGT UNC in order to consider sign-posting for any further changes coming from the UNC.
- [SCP 496 'MAM to CDSP Update of MAP ID and MTD'](#) highlights the Central Data Service Provider (CDSP) is required to provide the Meter Asset Provider Identity (MAP Id) to the Central Switching System (CSS) via the Gas Retail Data Agent (GRDA). In order to do so the Meter Asset Manager must provide updates to the Meter Technical Details or MAP Id directly to the CDSP to supplement information received from Shippers. This modification has been re-issued for Impact Assessment.
- [SCP 508 'Differentiating between Domestic and I&C queries received via SDEP'](#) seeks to introduce a new mandatory requirement for Suppliers to include whether a Meter Point Reference Number (MPRN) is Domestic or Industrial & Commercial (I&C) when sending escalations for Erroneous Transfers and Disputed Meter Readings on the SDEP. This modification is currently awaiting implementation on 26 February 2021.
- All theft related modifications will be transferred into REC v1.1 in April 2021. FM encouraged a REC representative to begin attending the CACoP Forum.
- In terms of the REC, some publications have been released as part of Ofgem's consultation where it is anticipated that February 2021 will be the final release dates for the SPAA and the MRA.

UNC

HB provided the following updates:

- [UNC 0735 'UNC Changes as a consequence of the absence of trade agreement/s between the United Kingdom and the European Union \('no deal'\)'](#) proposes a number of minor changes to the UNC are required as a consequence of the end of the Brexit transition period. In principle, these changes modify existing references to EU

regulations with reference to UK amendment regulations and, where appropriate, remove references to EU entities.

- [UNC 0734S 'Reporting Valid Confirmed Theft of Gas into Central Systems'](#) seeks to introduce a new process to help ensure that valid confirmed theft data, received from Suppliers, is appropriately reported into central systems. This modification will be discussed at the next Distribution Working Group meeting on 26 November 2020 before reporting to the UNC Panel in December 2020.
- [UNC 0731S 'Introduction of an Annual Modification Panel Report'](#) proposes to facilitate continuous improvement and ensure the efficient and effective operation of the Modification Panel & Uniform Network Code Committee (UNCC). It is proposed to put in place a requirement for an Annual Report on such matters produced by the Independent Chair of the UNC Modification Panel. This modification will be taken to the UNC Panel in November 2020.
- [UNC 0730 'COVID-19 Capacity Retention Process'](#) seeks to allow sites (supply points) isolated in accordance with UNC723 (Urgent) 'Use of the Isolation Flag to identify sites with abnormal load reduction during COVID-19 period' to be subject to a rebate of 50% of their LDZ Capacity Costs. This modification will be taken to the UNC Panel in November 2020.
- [UNC 0693R 'Treatment of kWh error arising from statutory volume-energy conversion'](#) seeks to review the treatment of the error in kWh that arises from statutory volume to-energy conversion factors in order to mitigate the impact on gas settlement, reconciliation and Annual Quantities (AQs). This modification will be taken to the UNC Panel in December 2020.
- [UNC 0692S 'Automatic updates to Meter Read Frequency'](#) seeks to place an obligation on the CDSP to automatically update the Meter Read Frequency of a Class 3 or 4 Supply Meter Point to Monthly, if either the AQ increases to 293,000 kWh or above, or the Supply Point Register is updated to show that either Smart or Advanced metering equipment is in place. This modification was sent to the Authority and is awaiting a final decision.
- [UNC 0674 'Performance Assurance Techniques and Controls'](#) seeks to provide an effective framework for the governance of industry performance that gives industry participants mutual assurance in the accuracy of settlement volume allocation. This modification will be taken to the UNC Panel in January 2021.

IGT UNC

PR provided the following updates:

- An extraordinary release has been scheduled for 18 November 2020 to incorporate two Modifications on data permissions ([IGT135 'Alignment of the IGT UNC Part K and the Data Permissions Matrix'](#) & [IGT146F 'Introduction of references to incorporate the BEIS legislative changes made in the UNC'](#)). Notifications have already been sent out to the industry.

- [IGT147 'Updating Specific Gender References to Neutral terms'](#) seeks to update any specific gender references such as 'he', 'him', 'his' and 'Chairman' to neutral terms such as 'their', 'them', 'they' and 'Chairperson'.
- The IGT UNC Panel is now facing quoracy issues following the end of E.ON's term on the Panel. This is something that has been highlighted to industry over the past months and means that IGT UNC Panel now has only one Shipper representative out of three. There is a clause in the Code which means that Panel business can continue, however the Shipper vote is grossly underrepresented. The IGT UNC is continuing to advertise the roles and is working with the Panel to find a solution.

OFGEM

JC provided the following updates:

- No update on the Mandatory Half-Hourly Settlement (MHHS) Significant Code Review (SCR).
- The CUSC TCR SCR modifications are with the Authority and Ofgem is looking to issue decisions against these modifications in due course.
- The Retail Code Consolidation (RCC) SCR team will be writing to Panels and Code Administrators soon regarding the expectations for progressing consequential modifications in the run-up to REC v2.0 going live in September 2021. This approach is currently being ratified with the steering groups.

5. USE OF DATA IN THE ENERGY INDUSTRY

Ofgem (JC) noted a series of specific Working Groups have been set up to discuss the use of data. The next meeting is currently scheduled for 11 November. Representatives from all the Codes are included, but the Forum was asked to contact Ofgem directly should they wish to attend but have not received an invite.

In addition, now that this Working Group is up and running, JC proposed to remove this standing agenda item from future Forum agendas. The Forum agreed this was sensible.

6. MODIFICATION PROPOSAL FORM UPDATES

An updated Modification Proposal form template had circulated as part of the papers. This update was the culmination of discussions over recent meetings, seeking to standardise the typical information that should be included on the front cover. The Chair (PR) did not expect Codes to implement the template exactly, with branding and terminology tweaked to match the specific Code. He sought any final feedback before this is rolled out.

FM believed everything previously spoken about on 30 July 2020 had been included in the new template. In addition, as both the MRA and the SPAA will no longer be operating from next year, the rollout of the new proposal form template is less likely to apply to these Codes.

As there were no further comments, the Forum was asked to consider how the updated proposal form template would be incorporated within their Codes whilst appreciating there may be some slight differences across Codes.

7. CACoP WEBSITE BUSINESS CASE

The Chair (PR) reported that Genserv is awaiting to receive updated quotes from its third-party developers before updating the business case document. These quotes are expected in the week commencing 16 November 2020. These would be incorporated into the business case, which would then be circulated to the Forum ex-committee for discussion at the December Forum meeting.

HB asked if the latest version could be re-sent so that the UNC can begin considering the existing requirements ahead of the quotes being received.

ACTION 20/01: Genserv (PR) to re-circulate the latest CACoP Website business case document to the UNC (HB).

8. FORWARD WORK PLAN 2021

The Chair (PR) requested feedback from the Forum to help shape the Forward Work Plan for 2021. A draft version will be brought to the next Forum meeting in December 2020.

Items considered for inclusion are:

- Reviewing the wider impacts assessment that Code Administrators currently undertake and include in Modification Reports, and whether Codes taking the right steps to assess these.
- Integration of the new CACoP Website, making sure this has gone live and incorporated into CACoP working practices.
- Developing new CACoP products and guidance to be hosted on the website, including the training guidance for common cross-Code matters such as Market Entry that was put on hold earlier this year.
- Reviewing and updating the CACoP Forum's terms of reference to ensure the right mechanisms are in place and whether the membership of the Forum should be expanded to others with substantive control over change processes (e.g. Xoserve or the DCC).
- Reviewing the relevant Code objectives to cover consumer impacts.

ACTION 20/02: Code Administrators to consider potential items which can be included as part of the 2021 Forward Work Plan.

9. CROSS CODE ENGAGEMENT DAY PROPOSAL UPDATE

The Chair (PR) thanked the Forum for providing content for their Code updates as part of the engagement day and noted that slides are still to be received from Ofgem and RECCo.

Two dry run sessions would be set up, on Friday 13 and Monday 16 November. Presenters would be asked to attend at least one of these, to ensure they are familiar with the technology and to perform a run-through of their slides. Gemserv will confirm internally with its IT team and then issue dial-in details.

The agenda for the day has now been agreed. HB requested a specific time slot be given for the UNC update, due to it clashing with the UNC Panel. PR agreed to liaise with HB after the meeting to agree this.

Following communications being issued, 119 attendees have accepted the invitation, with more people registering interest. There is a good spread from Suppliers, Network Parties and other participants.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

JH highlighted that CUSC and Grid Code Panel members need to have signed up to the relevant framework agreements, but for some seats, the relevant Parties are not CUSC Schedule 1 Parties. This means they need to write to Ofgem to gain materially impacted Party status. JH believed the National Grid ESO Codes were the only ones that had this restriction. National Grid ESO has spoken to Ofgem, with the consensus being approval of this status could be taken on by National Grid ESO.

MW noted that BSC Panel members do not need to be from BSC Parties themselves but do need to be nominated by two Parties in order to stand for election. Two current Panel members are not from BSC Parties. Other Forum members confirmed similar arrangements for their Codes. PR asked members to feed any further thoughts to National Grid ESO after the meeting.

ACTION 20/03: Code Administrators to provide any further information on the appointment of non-Party Panel members to National Grid ESO (JH).

FM reminded Code Administrators to notify the SPAA of any changes which could impact gas Suppliers. He noted that Shippers had raised changes under the UNC that would impact on Suppliers.

MW highlighted that the BSC Panel has been discussing how it can more proactively engage with other Code bodies and carry out cross-Code impact assessments. He asked if Forum members had examples of where this may not have worked effectively.

PR queried if the Code updates at Forum meetings were enough or if there needed to be more bilateral discussions. FM noted the SPAA will always try to identify cross-Code impacts, but Party input is needed as they are the ones using the relevant processes. He noted the Forum used to do a line-by-line review of new modifications in the Central Modifications Register. DH noted it was becoming harder to gain input from Parties, with more silence and drop-out from meetings, so more emphasis may be needed on making sure they are engaged. FM considered it worth encouraging the industry to get more involved, noting the privilege it has of being able to self-govern.

11. SUMMARY AND MEETING CLOSE

The next CACoP Forum meeting will be held on 8 December 2020.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.