



iGT UNC Modification Panel Meeting 07/08

Wednesday 21 November 2007 at 1:00pm

Gemserv, Centurion House, 7th Floor, 24 Monument Street, London, EC3R 8AJ.

Attendee	Organisation	Representing
Paul Edwards	Gas Transportation Co.	Pipeline Operators
David Speake	ES Pipelines	Pipeline Operators
Francesca Dixon	Envoy	Pipeline Operators
Rosie McGlynn	EDF Energy	Pipeline Users
Heidi Martin	RWE npower	Pipeline Users
Marie Clark	ScottishPower	Pipeline Users
Jon Dixon	Ofgem	The Authority
Steve Ladle (Panel Chairman)	Gemserv	iGT UNC Representative
Mike Gibson	Gemserv	iGT UNC Representative
El Reeve	Gemserv	iGT UNC Representative

1. Notice of Alternates attending

No Alternates were in attendance.

2. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

Steve Ladle welcomed Marie Clark to the Panel. Apologies were received from Abid Sheik (energywatch) and observer Simon Trivella (Wales & West Utilities).

3. Record of Invitees and Observers

No Invitees or Observers were present.

4. Actions Arising

Action 07/03-02: The Representative had circulated and re-circulated the email from the website provider to enable user testing. The website provider had concluded that the various problems were caused by security settings of the computers within the user companies, and had provided telephone-based IT support to users who were still experiencing problems. It has also been suggested that versions of Internet Explorer older than 7.0 create downloading issues. This is to be investigated further by the website provider. **Action Carried Forward.**

Action 07/07-02: Simon Trivella was due to confirm the status of the Industrial and Commercial Reconciliation dates, but owing to his absence no report was received. **Action carried forward.**

5. Short Notice Business

Modification ESP128 / ESPN128 / ESPP128 / ESPC052 was withdrawn from short notice business.

6. Panel Decisions

None.

7. Update on Review Groups

iGTRP001

The Review Group is on target to report back to the December Panel, with Modifications to follow.

iGTRP002

In the absence of a British Gas representative, Marie Clark offered the Panel an update on the associated UNC Modification 0157; it was noted modifications are likely to be raised against the UNC. The Panel agreed a six month extension to this Review with monthly updates to be provided.

iGTRP005

Marie Clark reported that the Review Group's Terms of Reference have undergone some alteration and these need to be agreed by the Panel.

Action 07/08-01: Representative to re-circulate the ToR for RP002 and RP005 to the Panel for agreement.

The next meeting of this Review Group will be held on 11 December at Millbank.

iGTRP006

Paul Edwards updated the Panel on UNC Modification 0168 and questioned the level of involvement required by the iGT UNC at this early stage. The Panel acknowledged that this was the case and unanimously agreed to formally close the Review Group, but requested a standing agenda item to ensure that an update should be provided on UNC Modifications 0168, 0177 and 0178.

Action 07/08-02: Representative to add UNC Modifications 0168, 0177 and 0178 as a standing agenda item to ensure that updates are provided.

8. Update on Development Groups

iGT001

Francesca Dixon presented a report on iGT001 noting that the Group have concluded the Development and that a variant Modification (iGT001VV) has been issued for information.

The Panel agreed that a review of Standards of Service should be taken six-months after their implementation.

iGT004

Francesca Dixon presented a report on iGT004 and noted that the Proposer is providing a re-drafted Modification for circulation and discussion at the next Development Group meeting in January.

The Panel agreed to a three-month extension for the Development Group to February's Panel.

9. Review Proposals

None.

10. Urgent Modification Proposals Received

None.

11. Non-Urgent Modification Proposals Received

Modification Proposal iGT001VV (Standards of Service)

The Proposer (Marie Clark, ScottishPower) asked that this Modification goes directly to consultation, which was agreed unanimously.

The Panel also agreed unanimously that legal text would be required in the Draft Modification Report.

Modification Proposal iGT012 (Meter Read Window)

This Modification was presented by Marie Clark of ScottishPower.

The Proposer asked that this goes directly to consultation, which was agreed unanimously.

The Panel also agreed unanimously that legal text would be required in the Draft Modification Report.

Modification Proposal IPL/QPL 035 (Supply Point Confirmation)

This Modification was presented at the last Panel meeting by Thomas Cox of Envoy and deferred to this meeting. It had been agreed that a further presentation was not required.

The Proposer (Francesca Dixon, Envoy) asked that this Modification goes directly to consultation. This was agreed unanimously.

The Panel also agreed unanimously that legal text would be required in the Draft Modification Report.

Modification Proposal UGI034/GTC0343/GPL042 (Mandatory File Formats for CoS)

This Modification was presented by Paul Edwards of GTC.

The Proposer asked that this goes directly to consultation, which was agreed unanimously, subject to clarity being provided in the legal text regarding the matching of formats for submissions and responses e.g. csv submissions should receive csv responses, and excel submissions should receive excel responses.

The Panel also agreed unanimously that legal text would be required in the Draft Modification Report.

12. Draft Final Modification Reports

iGT006 (Estimated Transportation Invoices)

The Panel was asked whether or not it supported the implementation of this Modification. The Panel unanimously agreed that it recommended the Modification for implementation, commenting that it was good business practice and supports the efficient and economic operation of the pipeline system and that it will benefit both Operators and Users.

The Panel recommended an implementation date of not earlier than four months following Authority consent in accordance with clause 19.2(b) of section L.

iGT008 (Ancillary Documents)

The Panel was asked whether or not it supported the implementation of this modification. The Panel unanimously agreed that it recommended the Modification for implementation, commenting that it promoted efficient implementation and administration of the iGT UNC.

The Panel recommended an implementation date of not earlier than two months following Authority consent in accordance with clause 19.2(a) of section L.

The Panel discussed possible dates for releases of the iGT UNC and proposed that it would be beneficial to align these with releases of SPAA and UK Link. Heidi Martin agreed to forward these dates to the Representative for consideration.

Action 07/08-03: Heidi Martin to forward SPAA and UK Link release dates to Gemserv.

13. Authority Decisions

iGT003V

Jon Dixon reported that a decision regarding iGT003V was expected imminently.

14. AOB

David Speake presented a paper proposing the creation of a standing Workgroup under the iGT UNC Modification Panel.

In principle the Panel supported the formation of a standing Workgroup but considered that its remit needed further clarification and Terms of Reference should be drafted. David Speake agreed to seek views from the Modification Rules Review group and to develop the proposal for submission to Panel 07/09 in December.

Action 07/08-04: David Speake to develop the proposal for a standing Workgroup.

*The next iGT UNC Modification Panel meeting is at
1pm on 19 December 2007.*

Outstanding Actions

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