



DSC Delivery Sub Group

Monday 20th December at 10:30am
Microsoft Teams Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Industry Attendees		
NAME	ORGANISATION	INITIALS
Helen Bevan	Scottish Power	HB
Jack Wilde	Northern Gas	JW
Patricia Parker	ESG	PP
Claire Manning	EON	CM
Eleanor Laurence	EDF Energy	EL
Jo Hargreaves	Centrica	JH
Sally Hardman	SGN	SH
Carl Dennis	Shell	CD

Xoserve Attendees	
Paul Orsler (Chair)	SH
James Barlow	JB
Kiran Kumar (Correla representing Xoserve)	KK
Rebecca Russon (Correla representing Xoserve)	RR

Slides available [here](#).

1. General Meeting Administration

1a. Welcome and Introductions

1b. Previous DSG Meeting Minutes and Action Updates

Paul Orsler (PO) introduced the meeting and the minutes from the previous meeting were accepted and approved by DSG.

The action in relation to the interim MAP ID data loads remains under impact assessment with November 2021 Project Team and will be clarified at January's DSG meeting.

2. Changes in Capture

2a. New Change Proposals – Initial Overview of the Change –

2a.i. XRN5450 Demand tool to support - Urgent Modification 0788

PO confirmed that this Change Proposal has been raised and is confirmed as being funded by National Grid. PO confirmed that Mod0788 is approved and should it be necessary, Xoserve have mechanisms to ensure compliance with the modification and associated legal text, with this DSC Change Proposal seeking to provide a more automated means of supporting Mod0788 provisions if it is deemed appropriate to apply them. PO confirmed that Xoserve do not foresee any Shipper or DN impacts relating to this change as it has been raised to improve Xoserve's operational capability to support Mod0788 events. JW requested clarification as to whether any unintended consequences may be placed on DNs and UNC legal text as a result of Mod0788 progressing to such expedited timescales – PO clarified that Xoserve do not believe this to be the case.

2a.ii. XRN5452 Changes to SD table v20 for December 2021

PO confirmed that this change has been raised to bring the DSC Service Description Table up to date following recent review and implementation of several changes. This Change Proposal is raised and shared with customers for information purposes, with DSC Contract Management Committee making decisions on the relevant administrative changes that are applied to the table.

2a.iii. XRN5453 GSOS 2, 3 & 13 Payment Automation

PO provided a brief overview of the change, as detailed on the associated Change Proposal webpage - [XRN 5453 | Xoserve](#)

PO noted that the change has been accepted, and will be being developed in the first quarter of 2022 with customers. SH requested clarification on the likely implementation dates and as early visibility as possible on solution delivery options. PO confirmed that this is likely to become available during the development of the change in Q1 2022.

2a.iv. XRN5315 – Technical Debt Reduction

KK provided an overview of the material which had been prepared on the subject of an internal programme of work being performed by Correla, titled 'Technical Debt Reduction'.

During DSG, two scenarios; re-estimation of reads following meter exchange on Class 1 and 2 Meter Points, and Prime&Sub net off/ reconciliation related changes.

On the first scenario, KK explained the overarching problem statement and business process impacts as outlined on Slide 19 of the DSG meeting pack. KK went on to clarify the change that is recommended to mitigate the issues that occur in this scenario, which would see a trigger in the processing to re-estimate the meter reads starting from the new device installation date + 1 until RGMA processing dates. KK provided a summary of alternative options that were explored during development and were discounted due to having more complex or material impacts to both UK Link processing and customers. DSG did not provide any specific views, with JB confirming that more information on the proposed change will be shared in a Detailed Design Change Pack, that is planned to be issued in January 2022. PP asked if Xoserve could confirm whether any impacts may be encountered to related Class 1 and 2 processes, notably Ratchets. Action was taken to include this within the detail of the Change Pack when this is produced.

On the second scenario of Prime and Sub net off / reconciliation, PP requested that it be confirmed that this scenario applies solely to Class 3 and 4 Meter Points. KK went on to provide an overview of the scenario, which sees Sub- Deduct Meters being isolated but not appropriately supporting the net off / reconciliation process of the upstream Prime meter, in the event that coterminous reads are provided from other sub deduct Meters in the configuration. In addition, Correla propose to deploy changes that support effective net off / reconciliation of Prime Meters in the event that Sub-Deduct meter readings are replaced, with these processes currently being monitored and actioned by operational teams.

KK and JB went on to confirm that the proposed solution has identified a change to the description of the M03 – Bill Reads, record. An example of the proposed description change was resented on slide 22, with PO and JB confirming that this will also be issued for consultation in the form of a Detailed Design Change Pack in January 2022. PO confirmed that details of these changes will be included on Xoserve.com change pages once they have formally been presented at ChMC and approved – this is expected to take place in January 2022 ChMC. SH raised concerns around change congestion, and sought confirmation as to how this could progress and be delivered in Q1 2022 given the demand on resource and priority of changes being delivered in that period. KK confirmed that impact assessment has been carried out on these changes and the plan would be to implement these changes within maintenance releases (such as those in lace to support ongoing defect resolution). PO stated that maintenance releases should also be reflected on the change congestion plans to support provided a more

complete picture of the technical activities that will continue to take place over the course of the year.

2b. Change Proposal Initial View Representations – None for this meeting

2c. Undergoing Solution Options Impact Assessment Review – None for this meeting

2d. Solution Options Impact Assessment Review Completed – None for this meeting

3. Changes in Detailed Design

3a. Design Considerations

3a.i. XRN5040 UK Link Cloud Programme Information Pack

PO noted this Detailed Design Change has been issued and should any party have any specific questions or comments we would welcome these during the remainder of the consultation window, which is Scheduled to close out on 29th December.

3a.ii. XRN5368.2 Gemini Single Sign-On – Detailed Design

As above, PO noted this Detailed Design Change has been issued and should any party have any specific questions or comments we would welcome these during the remainder of the consultation window, which is Scheduled to close out on 29th December.

3b. Requirements Clarification – None for this meeting

4. Major Release Update

4a. Minor Release Drop 10 Update

PO confirmed that this change has now successfully completed post implementation support activities and will drop off DSG agenda accordingly in January 2022.

4b. June 2021

PO confirmed that PIS is due to conclude in December, with the aspiration of closing the change down at ChMC in January 2022. It was noted that it is also likely to be removed from DSG meetings once this change has formally been closed down by ChMC.

4c. November 2021

PO confirmed that deferred November 2021 changes are progressing to the revised implementation date of 22nd January. PO explained that communication will be issued to customers by close of play on 20th December, confirming the approach that will be adopted for IGT Must Reads, which are expected to peak in volume as a result of data cleansing work that is being performed for XRN4941 delivery. EL raised concern with the lack of information provided by Nov-21 Project team on the

proposed migration plan, noting that the volumes of unsolicited files and records could be material and need to be planned in with impacted parties (when, how many, over what period of time etc). EL noted that this is to be escalated again, with JB and PO requested visibility of this escalation to support in ensuring it has been sufficiently captured and prioritised by the Project.

4d. XRN5231 - Provision of a FWACV Service

PO explained that a dedicated FWACV Focus Group has been set up with DN and National Grid representatives, with regular updates being provided on the Project Plan, Risks and outstanding areas of development such as Dual Run / Market Trials. SH noted that Xoserve have been asked to confirm what Contingency arrangements would be needed in the event that the project is unable to deliver to the proposed implementation date (1st April 2022). PO confirmed that this action has been recorded and an update is expected to be provided at the subsequent FWACV Focus Group (21st December).

5. Change Pipeline

PO briefly clarified the most recent view of Changes in the Pipeline – and clarified that recent decisions to agree the scope of Nov-22 Detailed Design has added to the activity that will be taking place in Q1 2022. In addition, PO noted that a good deal of Standalone change deliverables have been necessary to support the industry with the evolving landscape of market conditions, such as those relating to the Urgent UNC Modifications.

6. AOB

No items of other business were raised. PO thanked representatives for their engagement and contribution throughout 2021, and welcomed their continued input as we look ahead to 2022.

This was the end of 20th December 2021 DSC Delivery Sub Group meeting. Next Meeting: (Monday 24th January 2022)

If you have any questions relating to the above meeting minutes, please email uklink@xoserve.com