DSG Discussion

Delivery Sub-Group (DSG) Recommendations

DSG Date:	25/09/2023			
	Simon Harris (SH) gave an overview of slides 9-12. SH			
	explained that in October 2022, the Secretary of State issued a letter of direction to the Gas Transporters looking to update the criteria of Priority Consumer categories of customers to be prioritised during a gas emergency. SH stated that the changes to the criteria of existing categories (A & C) and the introduction of a new category (B) were implemented as part of XRN5573-A. Due to the urgency of the			
DSG Summary:	required process changes and the need for file format amendments (new allowable value), it was agreed with ChMC constituencies that some elements were to be manual and therefore this change split into 2 parts. Therefore, XRN5573-B - Amending the Supply Point Register (UK Link) to accept Category B as an allowable value (including file format amendments for industry consumption) and ensure these values are automatically visible in line with Category A & C.			
	SH went on to describe the 2 Solution Options that have been identified and are included in the Solution Change Pack for industry consultation. SH explained that the main difference between the Solution Options is the level of value-add automation that could be included within the scope of the solution design.			
	PO added that this Change Pack is out for consultation on the website and invites customers to view this and give a response.			
Sally Hardman (SHA) asked to confirm the target implementation date, PO confirmed that this is currently viewed as June 2024 and that this is subject to approval DSC Change Committee.				
DSG Recommendation:	☐ Approve	□ Reject	□ Defer	

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DSG Recommended Release:	Release X: Feb / Jun / Nov XX or Adhoc DD/MM/YYYY
DSG Date:	19/02/2024
DSG Summary:	3.a.iii. XRN5573B — Updates to the Priority Consumer process (as designated by the Secretary of State for Business, Energy, and Industrial Strategy - BEIS)
	PO advised Design change pack was issued in February Change pack for a June Release on how CDSP support the Priority Consumer Process as a result of statutory obligations introduced in 2023.
	Michelle Niits (MN) introduced herself as one of the Business analysts for XRN5573, as there were some people on the call she had not come across before. MN provided an overview of the Change which was raised to implement the changes to the existing Priority Consumer process because the categorisations and qualifying criteria were amended in line with governmental directive. MN providing a summary of the consumer categories A, B and C as detailed on Slide 36 explaining that due to the urgency of the change, that it was agreed at ChMC that Priority Consumer Category B changes would be applied as manual workarounds until this change XRN 5573 Part B is implemented and this change pack is what is being addressed.
	MN went through the requirements summary, advising that the process will enhance the method of raising priority consumer requests to replace the existing priority consumer application form process to include a new portal screen to receive the priority consumer category updates from Shippers/and or DESNX to replace the existing priority consumer application form. PO explained that the full validations are included in the detailed change pack for review.
	Enhanced method of raising priority consumer requests to introduce a new portal, validations are included in change pack and changes to UK to capture and store category B data. Slide 37 noting the changes to UK Link, new screen to receive the updates from shippers and/or DESNZ, migration activity for those Category B's held offline and automating the report to include allowable in GES online Portal and the S15 record used within the .TMC. TRF. And .TRS files.
	PO added that this is a change to allowable records in these files. MN advised that it is advised to review the change pack

and provided any feedback, as it be reviewed voting on at the March ChMC by Shippers, DNOs, IGTs and NGT will vote on the outcome of the DDCP consultation in March ChMC.

KM – Should IGT's not be included, MN advised that it is only Shippers and DENSZ that can log them as priority consumers under this and is different from the priority register, KM asked if this is just so they can be sent the Portal as we currently send by Email and we get the report monthly and just wanted to confirm as the Change pack does not call them out. MN asked if this can be taken away as a question as it was believed that it is only Shippers and DESNz that can do this.

PO confirmed that he will also review this with the this point will be clarified with the business teams and provided some background and advised there has been a lot of attention around the Priority Consumer provision and some of the rules and rationale on what can and can't constitute a category and has led to a lot of work and communication between the Network's ,IGTs and CDSP and that there may be still interaction when CDSP receive certain requests to validate them in certain circumstances, but what CDSP are looking to ensure shippers have capability to request the updates via an automated solution and recorded correctly in the Central systems and portal screens that should be visible to parties. PO advised that there is a separate table currently where, CDSP receive templates from shippers, and these are processed internally which leads to offline checks with Networks before we refer back to shippers on the categorisation.

KM was happy that this be clarified offline and advised that IGTs do have to send this to CDSP when customers call up to be on the list via email and for CDSP to validate on the link, but we also receive the report monthly, PO confirmed that the report will still continue as we do provide to the DNs. The values are currently flowing in these reports but pulling from an offline database. KM would like this clarified.

ACTION: CDSP to confirm with relevant business teams, if IGT's should be identified as being an impacted party on this change proposal

PO asked if anyone else had any questions or Shippers had any questions to raise during the consultation so these can be discussed at the ChMC in March - no questions raised.

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