

# National Grid Transco

## Gemini - Shipper Fortnightly Progress Summary for Week Ending: 17 December 2004

<b>Gemini</b>	Previous Status	<b>Amber</b>	Current Status	<b>Amber</b>
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### Summary

The proposed target implementation date of October 05 for the Gemini Energy Balancing/Exit functionality was shared with the Gemini Shipper Forum on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December. NGT will provide a more detailed plan presentation to the Gemini Shipper Working Group, Gemini Shipper Forum and UKLINK Committee in January 2005.

NGT also presented the work in progress for defining the Shipper acceptance criteria for the Gemini project. It was acknowledged that further work is required in the area of system performance criteria. It was agreed that NGT would provide performance information for discussion at the next Shipper Working Group.

### Progress This Period

- Gemini Shipper Forum meeting took place on 8<sup>th</sup> December 04 covering the following areas:-
  - Screen Data Access
  - Future Change Process
  - Delegated Password Administration
  - IX Upgrades
  - Gemini Acceptance Criteria
  - API Testing/Shipper Trials
  - Plan/Progress update
- API Developer workshops completed. The three workshops were attended by fourteen organisations and the feedback was positive.
- API Phase 1 specifications submitted for UKLINK Approval on 17<sup>th</sup> December 04
- Bulk Upload/Download file formats issued for Gemini Shipper Forum review on 17<sup>th</sup> December 04.

### Plans for Next Period

- Complete Gemini Shipper Forum review of Bulk Upload/Download File Formats.
- Prepare for Gemini Shipper Working Group 11<sup>th</sup> January 05 covering the following areas:-
  - Performance Acceptance Criteria
  - Implementation Activities including Phased Cutover, Data Migration and Contingency arrangements.

### Key Shipper Facing Milestone Summary Status

The Gemini shipper milestone plan is still under review following continued discussions at the Shipper Working Group and Gemini Shipper Forum level.

Milestone	Target Date	Status
Shipper Working Group	24/11/2004	Completed
New API Specifications issued for Shipper Forum Review	29/11/2004	Completed (Bulk Upload/Download file formats will be issued for review 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2004)
Shipper Forum	8/12/2004	Completed
API Developer Workshops	06/12/2004 to 16/12/2004	Completed
UKLINK Submission for Phase 1 API specifications	16/12/2004	Completed, 17/12/04
Shipper Trial Requirement	17/12/2004	Complete, high level requirements

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Definition		agreed at Gemini Shipper Forum on the 8/12/2004. Detailed plan targeted for 3 months prior to shipper trials.
Next Shipper Working Group	20/12/2004	Postponed to 11/1/05.
Next Shipper Forum	18/1/2005	On target
Current API specification UKLINK Approval	20/1/2005	On Target
Gemini Acceptance Criteria Review	20/1/2005	Date to be reviewed due to ongoing discussion with the Shipper Working Group.
User Defined Testing Completion	14/2/2005	On Target
Phase 2 API Specifications and Bulk Upload Download File formats submitted for UKLINK Approval	18/2/2005	On Target
Shipper Trial Environment Security Access Verification	21/2/2005	Date to be confirmed in January 2005.

## Risks/Issues

- Modification raised associated to Gemini acceptance criteria. NGT put forward their arguments for opposing the modification. These were issued to the community for their response in the DMR (Draft Modification Report) of 10/11/04. NGT forwarded the FMR ( Final Modification Report) to Ofgem on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2004 for their consideration and decision. NGT is already planning for the following activities to review the acceptance criteria with the shippers: -
  - Review draft criteria with SWG 24<sup>th</sup> November
  - Review draft criteria with Shipper Forum 8<sup>th</sup> December
  - Review performance criteria with Shipper Working Group 11<sup>th</sup> January 2005

## Changes to RAG Status

- No change, re-planning will be concluded following discussions with Gemini Shipper Working Group and Shipper Forum in January 2005.