This is the DAR for the Ofgem design forum that was held on Monday 12th August 19. This meeting was a further review session dedicated for primary and secondary interface feedback.

The meeting was not as well attended as usual; however there were approximately 55 attendees either in the room or via webex. Attendees in the room included representatives from:

- Landmark
- Netcompany
- Ofgem
- C and C Group
- DCC
- Xoserve
- British Gas

The agenda for the day included review of outstanding and new comments relating to:

- ESP Secondary Interface Design
- Code of connection walkthrough
- CSS Network options
- CSS Physical Interface Design

ESP's secondary interface design

Very few comments were raised following final review of the secondary interface designs. There were no new comments raised against Xoserve's interface design, just one comment raised against ECOES design this was to confirm the removal of the LEN indicator.

Final versions of these interface designs have now been issued to Ofgem. This final version will be baselined and issued to Design Authority for approval.

No further comments of questions were raised for our secondary interface design. An action was given to Xoserve to produce a final version of the secondary interface publication, version numbered as this will be the version submitted to Design Authority for approval.

Code of Connection

The code of connection document was walked through by a representative from Netcompany. The document had only been released to the Industry on Thursday 8th August, attendees provided feedback that due to attendance at the Ofgem roadshow people were only seeing it for the first time and needed time to digest this against the physical design for a more complete understanding. It was confirmed that review comments needed to be raised and back with Ofgem PMO by EOD Thursday 15th August.

It was noted by Xoserve that the document is a good document that is providing a lot of further clarity that we had been waiting for. We asked for more information around the private certificate and were advised that this is still in discussion but we should receive clarification and more detail over the next week or so. We also raised the cost of issuing certificates to all participants could be costly to the programme, it was advised that it is environment based per organisation and it is still being looked into and would be looking to

limit costs. It was also confirmed that individual environments will require multiple certificates.

Organisations are required to hold security keys and may need multiple keys if they have multiple roles. This is under review and to be decided but will be made as simple as possible.

The document seemed to hold a lot of requirements, there was an ask and an action taken for this document to be reviewed from a governance perspective as there may need to be inclusion or reference to REC.

CSS Network Options

This document has been out for review by the industry with comments having to be submitted to Ofgem PMO by mid-day Wednesday 14th August.

A number of questions were raised including the cost of the network and how these were going to be covered, it was confirmed costs would be invoiced via the REC. It was also confirmed that Electralink would recover costs using existing mechanisms.

CSS Physical Interface

This was the review of comments received against v5.0 of the physical design interface document. Landmark walked through their responses to comments raised by industry participants.

Andy Boojers DCC confirmed that some business rules will be updated in abacus to commence mobilisation, there may be rules that need to be defined. It was acknowledged that more business rules are required and these will need to defined in the detailed design phase.

There is still no clarity on the Ordnance licence condition, there is an open action for the condition to be defined in order to understand what 'for switching purposes' means. This information is required for consequential design for both ECOES and DES. Approved CR-12 allows the passing of REL information to Networks, this CR will be re-considered by Ofgem and DCC.

A number of design comments and considerations have been taken away by Landmark, a further version of the physical design interface will need to be released following V5.0 review.

Concerns were raised by Xoserve and other parties that the physical design is not complete and robust enough for issue to Design Authority on the 23rd August for consideration for approval. This was acknowledged by Ofgem and was due to be discussed at Delivery Group the following day Tuesday 13th August.