

# **DSC Change Proposal Document**

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# **A1: General Details**

Change Reference:	XRN4932			
Change Title:	Improvements to the quality of the Conversion Factor values held on the Supply Point Register (MOD0681S)			
Date Raised:	12/04/2019			
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Change Status:	Proposal		With DSG	Out for Review
Change Status:	Voting		Approved	Rejected

### **A2: Impacted Parties**

	Shipper	Distribution Network Operator
Customer Class(es):	NG Transmission	IGT
	Other	<if [other]="" details="" here="" please="" provide=""></if>

# A3: Proposer Requirements / Final (redlined) Change

Change Description:	Mod 0681 seeks to introduce the CDSP being given the authority to make changes to the conversion factor in the following circumstances only: a) where the AQ of a meter point falls to 732,000 kWh or lower, the conversion factor should be updated to the default of the standard value of 1.02264, as specified in the Gas (Calculation of Thermal Energy) Regulations, with effect from the effective date of the new AQ.
	b) where the AQ of a meter point increases above 732,000 kWh, the conversion factor should be set to the last non-standard factor held on the Supply Point Register (if one is available) with effect from the effective date of the new AQ.



	This XRN is to initiate capture, so developments run in parallel with Mod 0681.		
Proposed Release:	Release: June 2020		
Proposed	10 Working Days     20 Working Days		
Consultation Period:	30 Working Days	Other [Specify Here]	

# A4: Benefits and Justification

Benefit Description:	UIG taskforce has determined that incorrect conversion factors could be contributing to daily levels of UIG to an estimated value of 0.01% or total LDZ throughput, due to incorrect data being used in energy calculations, and as a result, incorrect daily energy allocations due to incorrect AQs. Auto updating of the information in a timely bound manner will create correct offtake volumes used in reconciliation
	What, if any, are the tangible benefits of introducing this change? What, if any, are the intangible benefits of introducing this change?
Benefit Realisation:	1 month post implementation aligned to AQ calculation process (assuming no soft landing)
	When are the benefits of the change likely to be realised?
Benefit Dependencies:	AQ calculation process Notification to User of amended values
	Please detail any dependencies that would be outside the scope of the change, this could be reliance on another delivery, reliance on some other event that the projects has not got direct control of.

# A5: Final Delivery Sub-Group (DSG) Recommendations

Final DSG	Until a final decision is achieved, please refer to section C of the form.			
Recommendation:	Approve	Reject	Defer	
DSG				
Recommended	Release: June 2020			
Release:				

# A6: Funding

	Shipper	33 %
	National Grid Transmission	XX %
Funding Classes:	Distribution Network Operator	67 %
	IGT	XX %
	Other <please specify=""></please>	XX %
Service Line(s)	Service area 5 as set out in budget & charging methodology (Metered volume and quantity)	



ROM or funding details:	
Funding Comments:	12/04 – Funding arrangements to be discussed and agreed and ChMC

# A7: ChMC Recommendation – 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Change Status:	Approve Reject			Defer
Industry	10 Working Days		20 Working Days	
Consultation: 30 Working Days			Other [Specify Here]	
Expected date of receipt for responses (to Xoserve)	xx/xx/xxxx			

DSC Consultation Issue:	Yes	No
Date Issued:	14/06/2019	18/11/2019
Comms Ref(s):	2346.5 - RJ – PO	2489.6 – RT - PO
	4 Reps - three approvals, and one response which approved the implementation date but not the solution option. (solution review) 6 Reps - five approvals and one rejected response (detail design)	

# A8: DSC Voting Outcome

	🖂 Shipper			Approve
	National Grid Transmission			N/A
Solution Voting:	Distribution Network Operator		Operator	Approve
	🖾 IGT		Approve	
Meeting Date:	07/08/2019			
Release Date:	26/06/2020			
Overall Outcome:	🗌 No 🛛 🖾 Yes 🛛 June 2020 Re			lease

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# **Section C: DSG Discussion**

# C1: Delivery Sub-Group (DSG) Recommendations

(To be removed if no DSG Discussion is required; Xoserve to collate where DSG discussions occur)

DSG Date:	07/10/2019
	PO and Chan Singh (CS) presented this agenda item, PO provide some background for this change. This change is a UNC modification 0681s and progressed to give the CDSP the right to amend the Conversion Factor (CF) at Supply Meter Points (SMP) when certain conditions are met. PO explained that XRN4932 was raised to facilitate the change within the CDSP systems and is in scope for June 2020 release. As the detailed design phases are ongoing, there are 5 design considerations that have been found so far that the CDSP would like a steer on: CS and PO explained each design consideration to DSG.
DSG Summary:	<ul> <li>Design Consideration 1:</li> <li>As the CDSP needs to notify industry participants (Shippers) of the need for a CF amendment and give them 30 days to carry out the update themselves, there will be instances where the Supply Meter Point has changed Shipper between the notification being issued and the CDSP attempting to update the CF</li> <li>Where these instances occur we have 2 options: <ol> <li>Update the CF regardless of any Shipper amendments</li> <li>Only update where we have notified the Registered User (at time of CDSP update) of a need to amend the CF</li> </ol> </li> <li>The CDSP has no preferred option, a simpler solution means leaning to option 1 due to not having to carry out an additional check, however both are doable</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Design Consideration 2:</li> <li>Supply Meter Points across all Class Products are in scope of MOD0681S rules (excluding sites with Corrector devices installed)</li> <li>However, during Detailed Design a consideration has been identified that Class Product 1 &amp; 2 would, where the CDSP has to update the CF, require File Format amendments (additional value in the Reading Indicator field) to facilitate the issuing of estimate readings via MDR file for these Product Classes</li> <li>After checking the rules to be applied, 10 sites were identified as needing a CF amendment (out of 1,600) for Product Class 1 &amp; 2.</li> <li>CDSP recommendation is to de-scope Product Class 1 &amp; 2 from automated system CF updates (but still include them in the notification that the CF needs to be looked at).</li> </ul>
	Design Consideration 3:

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	Where sites that have been identified as needing CF amendments and mation has been taken by the Registered Shipper the CDSP will attempt to make the CF amendment via a cosmetic exchange         If unsuccessful, potentially due to ongoing SPA or RGMA activities, we as proposing no further action is taken         Adding in monitoring and reprocessing would add complexity to the solution and could potentially result in a backlog of CF that keep rejecting:         Design Consideration 4:         •       From a solution perspective, once the notification has been issued an the 30 day period lapsed the CDSP will check to see if the CF amendment is still needed to be carried out         •       One consideration for this is surrounding the AQ threshold that shoul be checked against the MOD rules         •       As the window is 30 days there could be a scenario where a new AQ is about to go live when the CDSP comes to do the CF update that could (if the check was done a few days later) resulting in no CF amendment needed         •       We are proposing that when we come to check if an update is still needed, we would carry out this by considering any future AQ's that are due to go live, not just the current AQ         •       Logic for this would be that if the CDSP carried out the CF amendme (via cosmetic exchange) and then again the following month (as the AQ may have changed) would add in unnecessary asset updates (wit CDSP estimate reads) that could restrict future reads from coming, with the risk being increased as RGMA readings cannot be replaced and also restrict potential valid RGMA updates from happening prior the CDSP cosmetic exchange         Design Consideration 5:       Legal text states th		he CDSP will attempt to RGMA activities, we are complexity to the CF that keep rejecting ion has been issued and to see if the CF Q threshold that should nario where a new AQ o the CF update that resulting in no CF c if an update is still g any future AQ's that d out the CF amendment llowing month (as the sary asset updates (with e reads from coming, gs cannot be replaced from happening prior to o out to the registered CDSP the impact on stimated FINX/OPNX e old and new hat the CDSP has se considerations and a and options for next ions for XRN4932 and
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Requirements:			
DSG	□ Approve	□ Reject	Defer
Recommendation:			
Recommendation: DSG		lov XX or Adhoc DD/MM	

DSG Date: 21/10/2019



	Simon Harris (SH) presented this agenda item. SH advised DSG that these considerations are to help steer and provide feedback for the change to come out of the detailed design phase.
	Consideration 1: SH stated that as the CDSP we need to notify industry participants (Shippers) of the need for CF amendment and give them 30 days to carry out the update themselves, there will be instances where the Supply Meter Point has changed Shipper between the time of notification being issued and the CDSP attempting to update the CF. Where these instances occur, there are 2 options to consider: 1. Update the conversion factor regardless of any shipper amendments 2. Only update where we have notified the registered user at a time of CDSP update of a need to amend the CF SH explained the options and asked DSG for a suggested steer on which option to proceed with. SH added that from a UIG perspective, regardless of who the Shipper is, the conversion Factor would still need to be amended because it breaks the rules of the AQ and the modification rules set out. To help UIG in this consideration, option 1 would be the more supportive of the options. Ikram Bashir (IB) stated that option 1 sounds more logical and suggested option 1. IB added if things are delayed it might prolong the process of the conversion factor being updated. SH added that when the CF is updated, the new Shipper will get the old conversion factor and new conversion factor.
DSG Summary:	Lorna Lewin (LL) outlined that option 1 is not helpful for Shippers as a new shipper would expect to be provided enough time for the shipper to be able to notify or update the conversion factor. PO clarified the point made by LL as shippers would like to be provided with enough time to take action and make the updates/amendments themselves. Patricia Parker (PP) asked how the CDSP would notify the parties of the conversion factor amendment. SH responded by stating that currently if the AQ goes above the threshold, the parties are already notified if the conversion factor is standard. Furthermore, there is an indicator sent out within the NRL files at D-7. These NRL files ask Shippers to check the conversion factor would need to be amended as it is not per the MOD rules. Overall DSG suggested to progress with second option for this consideration as the majority have a view of option 2 being more aligned to their needs.
	Consideration 2: Supply Meter Points across all class Products are in Scope of MOD0681S rules SH added that during detailed design, it has been identified that Class Product 1 & 2 would require file format amendments to facilitate the issuing of estimate readings via MDR file for these products Classes, where the CDSP has updated the CF. SH explained that after checking the rules to be applied, 10 sites were identified as needing an amendment. For these 10, having a file format change would mean there would be a lot of Shipper impacts if Class 1 & 2 remained in scope. Therefore, the design consideration was to de-scope Product Cass 1 & 2 from automated system CF updates. This would still include a notification out to shippers that the conversion factor will need to be looked at. PO added that there is also a change to conduct the data cleanse on the conversion factor. Therefore, the overall 1,600 sites with 10 identified needing CF amendment would go to 0 needing CF amendment once go live of that change. SH also stated that the

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CDSP would carry out a corrective exchange on the devices on site to			
amend the CF, this would then be forcing a Check to Check Reconciliation			
using CDSP estimated readings, so it feels logical to de-scope. LL asked if			
this is only to be conducted on class 1 & 2. SH explained that it will only be			
class 1 and 2.			

(LL) supported the recommendation to de-scope the product class 1 & 2

#### Considerations 3 :

Where sites have been identified as needing CF amendments and no action has been taken by the registered Shipper, the CDSP will attempt to make the CF amendment via cosmetic exchange. SH added that if unsuccessful, there is a potential due to ongoing SPA or RGMA activities, Xoserve are proposing no further action is taken. SH explained that added in monitoring and reprocessing would add complexity to the solution and could potentially result in a backlog of CF that keep rejecting. SH suggested the simpler solution would be to do it once so that it does not end up going into the backlog of CF. SH added that as we go through detailed design consideration is being given to how we can get the Supply Meter Point back into the process, something that will be brought back to a future DSG.

19 – 0720 - Action: This is to be brought back further consideration on this point specifically for the  $4^{th}$  November DSG.

HB asked how long the Shipper will be given to do the update the CF. SH stated the Shipper has 30 calendar days from the issue of the NRL file to apply the update.

#### Consideration 4:

SH stated that the consideration around the AQ threshold is that should be checked against the Modification rules. SH advised that as the window is 30 calendar days, there is a scenario where a new AQ is about to go live when the CDSP comes to do the CF update that could result in no CF amendment to be needed if the updated was carried out a few days later. SH suggested that the CDSP is proposing that when we come to check if an update is still needed, the CDSP would carry this out, taking into account any future AQ's that are due to go live, not just the current AQ. SH advised that the CDSP does not want to create a cosmetic exchange and 3 days later this is not needed, then the following month another cosmetic exchange is needed as the rules will end up being broken (but in the opposite direction). SH advised this would impact Shippers being able to do anything prior to the asset update.

Support was received from IB in the room and DSG with this consideration. HB asked is there any impact with the formula year AQ?

SH responded stating that there is no impact as the AQ that needs to be taken into account is the Rolling AQ and not the Formula Year AQ.

#### Consideration 5:

SH informed DSG that the legal text states that a notification is needed to be issued to the registered user, informing them of any action taken by the CDSP. SH stated that the current solution to facilitate this and to reduce the impact on customers is to use the MBR file containing estimated FINX/OPNX reads for the cosmetic exchange along with old and new conversion factor (Class 3 &4).

SH stated that the FINX will have the old conversion factor specified and the OPNX will have the new conversion factor specified.

SH asked DSG if they think this is sufficient notification that the CDSP will carry out the activity on their behalf, the only concern is that the files will be unsolicited, this means that the files will not be triggered by the user but from Xoserve.

PO and SH asked if this is sufficient notification?

IB supported this as he stated his organisations system will take that as in update. Support was received for DSG with this consideration.



Capture Document / Requirements:	<insert appropriate="" where=""></insert>		
DSG Recommendation:		□ Reject	□ Defer
DSG Recommended Release:	Release: Feb / Jun / Nov XX or Adhoc DD/MM/YYYY		



# Section D: High Level Solution Options

# **D1: Solution Options**

	XRN4932 originally had 3 initial solution options that were presented and discussed at DSG on the 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2019. These were initial thoughts on how a solution to facilitate the requirements coming from MOD 0681S could work within ISU. During UIG workgroup, changes were made to the Modification to enhance and provide clarity on considerations put forward by Xoserve/DSG and as a result limited the way we can deliver this change from a system perspective. Therefore only one solution option has been put forward for HLSO and consideration.
	<b>1)</b> Amend the Conversion Factor as part of a successful Rolling AQ calculation (Monthly or Correction)
	HLSO Documentation
	The High Level Solution Option can be found here
Solution Option Summary:	This solution option includes the following system changes in order to facilitate Modification 0681S. Further detail on the proposed solution option is outlined below;
	- AQ Rolling/Correction process to trigger need for a notification to Shippers (.NRL) where AQ increases/decreases against the threshold of 732,000kWh and the installed Meter does not have a reflective Conversion Factor (BAU process, inclusion of AQ decrease)
	<ul> <li>SAP ISU code to be created to update the Conversion Factor (by way of corrective exchange) after a minimum of 30 days post notification to Shippers</li> </ul>
	- Estimation of readings (OPNX/FINX) in order to facilitate the Conversion Factor update (BAU process)
	- Trigger of .DSR file (BAU process) to inform Shippers of the estimated readings
	- Proactive amendment of currently deemed inaccurate Conversion Factors (to be delivered ASAP) to assist with UIG benefit realisation
Xoserve preferred option: (including rationale)	<b>1)</b> Amend the Conversion Factor as part of a successful Rolling AQ calculation (Monthly or Correction)
DSG preferred solution option: (including rationale)	TBC (DSG 17 <sup>th</sup> June 2019)
Consultation closeout:	28/06/2019



# Section E: Industry Response Solution Options Review

# E1: Organisation's preferred solution option

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Organisation's preferred solution option, including rationale taking into account costs, risks, resource etc.	We support the premise of what the change is looking to do, ideally we would like to see the changes implemented as soon as possible (at the same time as AQ changes), not with approx. 30 day lag. We believe this would avoid delays in the benefit and delays in identification of sites where Xoserve are unable to allocate a site specific factor. But waiting a month is better than not having the change.	
Implementation Date:	Approve	
Xoserve preferred solution option:	Approve	
DSG preferred solution option:	Approve	
Publication of consultation response:	N/A	

# E2: Xoserve' s Response

Xoserve Response	
to Organisations	Thank you for your comments.
Comments:	

# E1: Organisation's preferred solution option

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Organisation's preferred solution option, including rationale taking into	Whilst we support concept of this change we do not support a process that allows CDSP to unilaterally update a conversion factor after any period of time and so have to reject current solution.	
account costs, risks, resource etc.	One reason being issues with issues with AQ calculations recently at Xoserve giving rise to inaccurate AQ values that in some cases	



suggest an AQ over 732000kWhs where it is not in fact correct.		
Until there has been a period of stability we feel that using AQ to		
derive anything automatically is risky.		

It could take more than 30 days for this to be addressed and fixed and in this case you could end up with incorrect conversion factors being set unless a retrospective fix is included.

In addition – if no previous site specific conversion has been held against a site – where does CDSP plan to get this from?

We do feel that some escalation process is required for parties not updating conversion factors, possibly via a PAC report/PAF framework but do not agree that changes should be made on behalf of the shipper by CDSP. The incentive could include a financial penalty for failing to update this data after a period of time from initial report e.g. 60 working days and that cost would be a daily charge so it would penalise for each day it is not corrected.

We feel that a new central process should be procured for calculating site specific conversion factors (SSCF) and maintaining these for industry is required. Current processes for obtaining an SSCF are unclear. Where a process does exist we do not feel that this allows for any automation which is also a limiting factor in these changes being made. We believe that a new central service could be put in place for requests and responses to be done via APIs and then updated on installation details for flows to be provided. Without this service being in place we do not feel benefits can be realised.

We feel process would be:

1 - AQ Rolling/Correction process to trigger need for a notification to Shippers (.NRL) where AQ increases/decreases against the threshold of 732,000kWh and the installed Meter does not have a reflective Conversion Factor (BAU process, inclusion of AQ decrease).

2 - Shipper to review AQ calculation and submit an AQ correction if change is felt to be inaccurate

3 - If new AQ is <=732000kWh then supplier to request MAM to set conversion factor to 1.02264 and provide an ONUPD file with that data. If >732000kwh then supplier to request MAM to contact central service for a site specific conversion factor to be requested and to provide an ONUPD file with that new data to Supplier who would then flow to CDSP, via Shipper.

4 - On acceptance CDSP would update and estimate reads for AQ threshold change date as would have been calculated in point 1 and provide to Shipper as estimated reads. Notes in current solution make reference to use of a .DSR file but would this not be using an MBR file?

5 - If an update to the conversion facto (up or down) or an AQ correction is not progressed after 50 working days then a 10 day



	penalty charge warning should be provided to Shipper. Where required added costs to a Shipper would then be levied after 60 working days, although we do feel that these should be able to be appealed, although are unsure on how that might be done in practice.
Implementation Date:	Approve
Xoserve preferred solution option:	Reject
DSG preferred solution option:	Defer
Publication of consultation response:	N/A

# E2: Xoserve' s Response

Xoserve Response to Organisations Comments:	modification workgroup via MOD0681S Consultation Response
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# E1: Organisation's preferred solution option

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Organisation's preferred solution option, including rationale taking into account costs, risks, resource etc.	ScottishPower approves option to Amend the Conversion Factor as part of a successful Rolling AQ calculation (Monthly or Correction)		
Implementation Date:	Approve		
Xoserve preferred solution option:	Approve		
DSG preferred solution option:	Approve		
Publication of consultation response:	N/A		



# E2: Xoserve' s Response

Xoserve Response	
to Organisations	Thank you for your comments.
Comments:	

# E1: Organisation's preferred solution option

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Organisation's preferred solution option, including rationale taking into account costs, risks, resource etc.	We agree with the change in principle and the proposed HLSO 1. System and process change may be required. Further detail needed for full impact assessment.		
Implementation Date:	Approve		
Xoserve preferred solution option:	Approve		
DSG preferred solution option:	Approve		
Publication of consultation response:	N/A		

# E2: Xoserve' s Response

Xoserve Response	
to Organisations	Thank you for your comments.
Comments:	



# Section F: Approved Solution Option

# **F1: Approved Solution Option**

XRN Reference:	XRN4932	
Solution Details:	Amend the Conversion Factor as part of a successful Rolling AQ calculation (Monthly or Correction)	
Implementation Date:	26/06/2020	
Approved By:	Change Management Committee	
Date of Approval:	07/08/2019	



# **Section G: Change Pack**

# **G1: Communication Detail**

Comm Reference:	2489.6 – RT - PO
Comm Title:	XRN4932 - Improvements to the quality of the Conversion Factor values held on the Supply Point Register (MOD0681S) - Detailed Design
Comm Date:	18/11/2019

# **G2: Change Representation**

Action Required:	For representation
Close Out Date:	02/12/2019

# **G3: Change Detail**

Xoserve Reference Number:	XRN4932	
Change Class:	UNC Obligation / CDSP Functional System Changes	
ChMC Constituency Impacted:	Shippers	
Change Owner:	Simon Harris Customer Change Service Development Specialist <u>simon.harris@xoserve.com</u> 0121 229 2642	
Background and Context:	Customer Change Service Development Specialist	



the work for this is currently being scoped under XRN5027 (UK Link
Data Cleanse of Conversion Factor in line with MOD0681S).

# G4: Change Impact Assessment Dashboard (UK Link)

Functional:	Annual Quantity, RGMA
Non-Functional:	None
Application:	SAP ISU, SAP BW
User(s):	Shippers
Documentation:	File Format (Description Changes)
Other:	None

	Files			
File	Parent Record	Record	Data Attribute	Hierarchy or Format Agreed
NRL	T04	<u>T97</u>	CORRECTION_FA CTOR_REQUIRED	Format (Description Change)

# **G5: Change Design Description**

### FUNCTIONAL CHANGES

As the rules relating to Modification 0681S are relating solely to an Annual Quantity threshold, it was agreed that the Annual Quantity process will be used to support the implementation of this change to facilitate the CDSP notification and updates to the Conversion Factor value held on the Supply Point Register.

This solution approach was agreed at ChMC on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

### **Current Process:**

Current UK Link system functionality states that (on Class 2, 3 & 4 Supply Meter Points) where an Annual Quantity (AQ) value is successfully being amended (either by the AQ Rolling or AQ Correction processes), to a value greater or equal to 732,000 kWh and the Supply Meter Point has a 'standard' Conversion Factor (currently 1.022640) then the data item CORRECTION\_FACTOR\_REQUIRED is set to 'Y' within the .NRL (T97 record) file. The purpose of this is to inform the Registered (and Incoming, if Confirmation is at CO) Shipper(s) to check if a 'non-standard' Conversion Factor.

### **Process Changes:**

This change is specifically looking to <u>amend</u> the after-for-mentioned issuing of the .NRL (T97 record) process to also include:

- Class 1 Supply Meter Points (previously is just 2, 3 & 4 Product Classes)
- Set the CORRECTION\_FACTOR\_REQUIRED data item to 'Y' within the .NRL (T97 record) file where the revised AQ value is greater than 732,000 kWh and the Supply Meter Point has a 'standard' Conversion Factor (currently 1.022640), this differs from the current logic outlined above by removing the "equals to" element



 Add an additional rule to set the CORRECTION\_FACTOR\_REQUIRED data item to 'Y' within the .NRL (T97 record) file where the revised AQ is <u>equal to or less</u> <u>than</u> 732,000 kWh and the Conversion Factor at a Supply Meter Point is 'nonstandard'

For completeness, the CORRECTION\_FACTOR\_REQUIRED data item will be set to 'Y', within the .NRL (T97 record) file for all Product Class Supply Meter Points, in the below instances following implementation of this change:

- If the successfully revised AQ value is greater than 732,000 kWh and the Conversion Factor remains the default value (currently 1.022640) then the CORRECTION\_FACTOR\_REQUIRED data item in the T97 record (.NRL) will be sent as 'Y' every month (if AQ revision is triggered), until the Conversion Factor is updated to a 'non-standard' value
- If the successfully revised AQ value is less than or equals to 732,000 kWh and the Conversion Factor is 'non-standard', then the CORRECTION\_FACTOR\_REQUIRED data item in the T97 record (.NRL) will be sent every month (if AQ revision is triggered), until the Conversion Factor is updated to the 'default' value (currently 1.022640)

### **NOTIFICATION TO SHIPPERS**

Modification 0681S requires the CDSP to inform the Registered Shipper of a need to amend the Conversion Factor at a Supply Meter Point. The solution being implemented as part of XRN4932 will use the existing .NRL file / T97 record, which is issued out to the Registered (and Incoming, if Confirmation is at CO) Shipper(s) at M-7 (M being AQ effective date) and will serve as the 'Formal Notification' informing them of the need to review, and subsequently update the Conversion Factor at a Supply Meter Point.

Shippers are given the opportunity to amend the Conversion Factor at a Supply Meter Point on their own accord before the CDSP intervenes and attempts to amend the Conversion Factor on their behalf. As per Modification 0681S, this window is <u>30 Supply</u> <u>Point Business Days</u> following the 'Formal Notification' (.NRL file) being issued to the appropriate Shipper(s). For the avoidance of doubt, no other mechanism to notify Shippers of the need to check the Conversion Factor will be implemented as part of this change. This approach was discussed and agreed in the DSG meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 as members felt this, taking into consideration the proposed changes to the .NRL file, was enough notification for Shippers.

If a Shipper updates the Conversion Factor, that results in the Conversion Factor becoming compliant with the rules set out in the Modification, within the 30 Supply Point Business Days, then no further action shall be taken by the CDSP. Please note: Shippers should attempt to update the Conversion Factor by way of the standard RGMA processes and transactions (ONJOB/ONUPD), no changes to these processes are being made as part of this change.

### PROCESS EXCLUSIONS

### Product Class 1 & 2 Supply Meter Points:

During Detailed Design phase it was identified that Product Class 1 & 2 would, where the CDSP has to update the Conversion Factor, require File Format amendments (by way of

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an additional value in the Reading Indicator field) to facilitate the issuing of the resulting estimated readings via .MDR file. After checking the Modification rules to be applied against production UK Link, there were a very small number of Product Class 1 & 2 Supply Meter Points (approx. 10) that would require a Conversion Factor amendment by the Shipper/CDSP (out of approx.1,600). Due to this, it was proposed that Product Class 1 & 2 Supply Meter Points would be <u>de-scoped</u> from any action needed to be undertaken by the CDSP in relation to amending the Conversion Factor.

The obligation to review and amend the Conversion Factor in these instances remain solely on the Shipper. This approach was discussed and agreed in the DSG meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

For the avoidance of doubt, the CDSP will still inform the Shipper(s) by way of the .NRL (T97) file for Class 1 & 2 Supply Meter Points notifying them to review the Conversion Factor if the current value is 'non-compliant', but no attempted update will be made to amend the Conversion Factor by the CDSP. This also includes Supply Meter Points where the Product Class has changed to Class 1 or 2 from Class 3 or 4 since the 'Formal Notification' was issued out.

### Shipper Transfer:

Due to the requirement to give the Notified Shipper(s) a window of opportunity to amend the Conversion Factor at a Supply Meter Point before the CDSP acts, a scenario may occur where there has been a Shipper Transfer following the 'Formal Notification'. The CDSP proposed that if the Notified Shipper(s) (that received the .NRL file) is <u>not</u> the same Shipper at the point of the CDSP attempting to carry out the Conversion Factor amendment, and there is no proposing Shipper at CO status, then no attempt shall be made by the CDSP. This approach was discussed and agreed in the DSG meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

For the avoidance of doubt, if the Conversion Factor remains 'non-compliant', when a new AQ is successfully revised on the Supply Meter Point, a new .NRL (T97) file will be generated and issued to Shipper(s) and the processes of monitoring the Conversion Factor shall start afresh.

However, if the Shipper Transfer that is at CO status is the same as the Notified Shipper then the CDSP defer the attempted update (as per and wait 3 Supply Point Business Days before attempting to amend the Conversion Factor.

### **Converter Supply Meter Points:**

As per Modification 0681S, any sites with a Converter Device installed on UK Link systems will not be subject to the CDSP acting to update the Conversion Factor if a Shipper fails to amend the value on UK Link.

For the avoidance of doubt, the CDSP will still inform the Shipper(s) by way of the .NRL (T97) file informing them to look at the Conversion Factor if the value remains 'non-compliant', but no update by the CDSP will be undertaken.

### No 'Non-Standard' Found:

As per Modification 0681S, any sites with an AQ greater than 732,000 kWh that have a 'standard' Conversion Factor requires it to be updated to a 'non-standard' value. If the Notified Shipper does not carry this out within the 30 Supply Point Business Days the CDSP will intervene and carry out the update on their behalf. To achieve this, the Modification states the last 'non-standard' Conversion Factor on the Supply Meter Point shall be used. To do this the CDSP will check the historical Conversion Factors on the Supply Meter Point for the previous 7 years. Any Conversion Factors present within UK Link older than 7 years will not be considered. However if no 'non-standard' Conversion Factor shall be taken by the CDSP.

For the avoidance of doubt, if on these Supply Meter Points an AQ is again successfully revised, then a new trigger will be generated and a 'Formal Notification' .NRL (T97) issued



out to the appropriate Shipper(s) notifying them of the 'non-compliant' Conversion Factor. This will continue to happen at each successful AQ revision until such a time as either the Shipper amends the Conversion Factor or the AQ drops equal to or less than 732,000 kWh.

### Future dated Annual Quantity values:

Due to the requirement to give the Notified Shipper(s) an opportunity to amend the Conversion Factor at a Supply Meter Point, a scenario can occur where a new AQ is due to become effective just after the attempted CDSP update. Where the effective date of the new AQ value is post the expiry of the notification window and is to or has gone live when the CDSP attempts to carry out the Conversion Factor amendment, the CDSP proposed to use this AQ value when it makes a determination if a Conversion Factor update is still needed. This is to reduce the need for the CDSP to carry out unnecessary Meter exchanges, where if the attempted update was done a few days later, wouldn't be required.

For the avoidance of doubt, when the CDSP comes to carry out a Conversion Factor amendment, if there is a future AQ value, it will be used to determine if the Conversion Factor is 'non-compliant'. If the Conversion Factor is compliant with the future dated AQ value, then no further update shall be undertaken by the CDSP.

This approach was discussed and agreed in the DSG meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

### **CDSP ACTION**

#### **Cosmetic Meter Exchange:**

Where the Notified Shipper fails to update the Conversion Factor value at a Supply Meter Point within the 30 Supply Point Business Day window, the CDSP will intervene and attempt to update the Conversion Factor. To facilitate this, the CDSP will attempt to process a Cosmetic Meter Exchange, however just before this action is undertaken, the CDSP will re-check to see if the Conversion Factor remains 'non-compliant' and still requires to be amended at the Supply Meter Point.

If the Conversion Factor is still needed to be updated, the CDSP will trigger a Cosmetic Meter Exchange using the existing Meter details store on UK Link systems, the only difference being the revised Conversion Factor value. Any attempted Cosmetic Meter Exchanges will follow all existing rules and validations that are carried out within BAU processes, along with calculating Estimated FINX/OPNX Meter Readings. For the avoidance of doubt, there will be no UPR (RGMA Response) / DRS (Derived Read) files triggered and sent as part of the CDSP Cosmetic Meter Exchange process, this is because no formal inbound Shipper triggered RGMA files have been received and processed.

### **CDSP FAILED PROCESSING**

### Inflight SPA/RGMA transactions:

Where the Notified Shipper has not successfully carried out a Conversion Factor amendment in line with the Modification rules then the CDSP shall (after the 30 Supply Point Business Days has lapsed following the 'Formal Notification') attempt to amend the Conversion Factor on their behalf. If this attempt fails for any reason (e.g. Shipper Transfer/Re-confirmation (CO), Class Change (CO), Read Submission (UBR/UMR), RGMA activity, LDZ Change) the CDSP will wait 3 Supply Point Business Days and then re-attempt the Conversion Factor update.

For the avoidance of doubt, this also includes Class Change, Shipper Transfer/Reconfirmations that are due to go live between D-1 to D+1 (D being the CDSP



attempted Conversion Factor update date). However, if this second CDSP attempt fails, no further attempt shall be made and no further action will be taken by the CDSP. This approach was discussed and agreed in the DSG meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

### Second Attempt Failures:

If the Conversion Factor is not successfully updated by either the Notified Shipper or the CDSP (after two attempts), the trigger will be set to incomplete within UK Link. If the AQ is successfully revised again and the Conversion Factor still 'non-compliant', a new trigger will be created, and a notification sent out again to the appropriate Shipper(s) in the .NRL (T97) file.

Please note: Even if the Conversion Factor is 'non-compliant', no trigger will be made and no notification will be sent out to Shipper(s) if an AQ is <u>not</u> successfully revised.

Triggers/notifications are only issued following successful AQ revisions, so if a Supply Meter Point has no successful AQ update, no trigger will be issued.

This risk was discussed and acknowledged in the DSG meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

#### POST CDSP ACTION

#### Notification of completed CDSP update:

Once the CDSP has successfully updated the Conversion Factor via way of a Corrective Meter Exchange the Registered Shipper will be notified through the .MBR (Billable Meter Reads) file. Within this file the M03 (BILLREADS) record will be present containing the estimated FINX/OPNX readings along with the old and new Conversion Factor values. Please note: This is the only notification that will be issued out to the Registered Shipper informing them of the Corrective Meter Exchange carried out by the CDSP. This approach was discussed and agreed in the DSG meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### File Format Amendment:

To support this change, it has been recommended that a description amendment is made to the T97 Record File Format to provide additional clarity for the CORRECTION FACTOR REQUIRED data item.

A link to the marked up File Format is attached below for review and approval to go live in line with the implementation of this change.

https://www.xoserve.com/media/7587/xrn4932-supp-doc.pdf

#### Potential Disparity within the .NRL File:

For clarification, the CORRECTION\_FACTOR\_REQUIRED data item is set within the UK Link when the AQ is calculated (12th of the month). This data item is then sent contained within the .NRL file (T97) to the incumbent Shipper at M-7. If the Conversion Factor is amended after the population of the CORRECTION\_FACTOR\_REQUIRED data item but before the .NRL file is issued, then the Conversion Factor referenced within the (T04 Record) will be the newly updated Conversion Factor. So there may be a disparity between the CORRECTION\_FACTOR\_REQUIRED data item (within the T97 record) and the Conversion Factor (within the T04 record) referenced in the .NRL file, however this is current functionality so highlighting this for awareness only as the CORRECTION\_FACTOR\_REQUIRED data item will be set more regularly. This was

discussed and acknowledged at DSG on the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019.



# **G6: Associated Changes**

Associated	Modification 0681S - Improvements to the quality of the Conversion
Change(s) and Title(s):	Factor values held on the Supply Point Register

### G7: DSG

Target DSG discussion date:	N/A
	None - Change has been to DSG for discussions during development of solution

### **G8: Implementation**

Target Release:	June 2020
Status:	Approved

Please see the following page for representation comments template; responses to <u>uklink@xoserve.com</u>



# Section H: Representation Response

### H1: Change Representation

(To be completed by User and returned for response)

	Organisation:	Npower Ltd
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Details:	Email:	alison.price@npower.com
	Telephone:	07557202065
Representation Status:	Large Shipper	
Representation Publication:	Publish	
Representation Comments:	We are satisfied with what is being proposed. We have some process questions; will there be a new report created issued out to state what MPRN's they have changed automatically or will we be required to monitor when the snapshot is sent out monthly? Or is the intention that this will appear as part of the PAF we get sent monthly? Clarify on this detail would be appreciated	
Confirm Target Release Date?	Yes	«h1_userDataAlternative»

# H1: Xoserve' s Response

Xoserve Response to Organisations Comments:	Thank you for your representation and support for the proposed solution. Regarding your additional question, I can confirm that no such reporting is currently in scope of XRN4932. The solution will ensure reporting is capable to be created, but production and delivery for the reports would need to be carried out under a separate request. Notification out to the appropriate Shipper(s) that the CDSP has carried out a Conversion Factor amendment on their behalf is to be done via the .MBR (Billable Meter Reads) file. Within this file the M03 (BILLREADS) record will be present containing the estimated FINX/OPNX readings along with the old and new Conversion Factor values.
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	Organisation:	EDF Energy
User Contact	Name:	Eleanor Laurence
Details:	Email:	eleanor.laurence@edfenergy.com
	Telephone:	07875117771
Representation Status:	Reject	
Representation Publication:	Publish	
Representation Comments:	XRN5027 really needs to be looked at and agreed before this is in place. We need to ensure data is as accurate as possible before implementing this solution as inaccurate data for this value will impact customer billing	
Confirm Target Release Date?	No	Post XRN5027 Implementation

# H1: Xoserve' s Response

Xoserve Response to Organisations Comments:	Thank you for your representation. To provide additional clarity, XRN5027 is not to carry out a cleanse of the Conversion Factor values held on UK Link but to enforce the rules of the Modification (the same as we are doing for XRN4932) prior to June-2020 if possible. Modification requests that we attempt to do this to aid UIG, this is something we are looking at with regards to a more manual process to what is being implemented as part of XRN4932 and working out timeframes for such an activity. XRN5027 would need to be carried out prior to June-2020 otherwise it's requirements will default to XRN4932 and be done just prior to June-2020 with XRN5027 being cancelled.
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	Organisation:	E.ON
User Contact	Name:	Kirsty Dudley
Details:	Email:	Kirsty.Dudley@eonenergy.com
	Telephone:	07816172645
Representation Status:	Response	
Representation Publication:	Publish	
Representation Comments:	Overall, we support the solution and dates proposed, the only element noted was the dates the CFR takes effect from, it has been suggested this could have a Supplier impact, we anticipate this can be addressed via retrospective adjustments but we're unsure how it would be incorporated into the retro work currently happening. We'd recommend this is also considered as part of the retro PoC work.	
Confirm Target Release Date?	Yes	«h1_userDataAlternative»

# H1: Xoserve' s Response

Xoserve Response	Thank you for your representation, we will feed this into ChMC for a
to Organisations	final decision. We will also ensure your comments are passed to
Comments:	the Retro team accordingly.

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(To be completed by User and returned for response)

	Organisation:	Orsted
User Contact Details:	Name:	Lorna Lewin
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	Telephone:	02074511974
Representation Status:	Approved	
Representation Publication:	Publish	
Representation Comments:	This change supports the changes required following the implemention of UNC Modification 0681S	
Confirm Target Release Date?	Yes	«h1_userDataAlternative»

# H1: Xoserve' s Response

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	Organisation:	Scottish Power
User Contact	Name:	Helen Bevan
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	Telephone:	01416145517
Representation Status:	Support	
Representation Publication:	Publish	
Representation Comments:	We are in support of the principles of the XRN as whilst it is good to expect correct levels of Conversion Factors where site-specific ones are required due to AQ size, it is not the most ideal position. This is because they are still non dynamic, they are not consistent even when temperatures differ from default assumption. Most ideal gas volume conversions take into account variable temperature and pressure. I am aware these are being addressed by UNC693R but just bringing it as awareness.	
Confirm Target Release Date?	Yes	«h1_userDataAlternative»

# H1: Xoserve' s Response

Xoserve Response to Organisations Comments: Thank you for your representation, we will feed this into ChMC for a final decision.

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# **Appendix 1**

### XRN4932 (33%)

Xoserve uses the following variables set for each and every change within the Xoserve Change Register, to derive the indicative benefit prioritisation score, which will be used in conjunction with the perceived delivery effort to aid conversations at the DSC ChMC and DSC Delivery Sub Groups to prioritise changes into all future minor and major releases.

Change Driver Type	CMA Order MOD / Ofgem	
	EU Legislation	
	BEIS ChMC endorsed Change Proposal	
	SPAA Change Proposal Additional or 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Service Request	
	Other(please provide details below)	
Please select the customer	Chinner Impect DiCT Impect Nicturer's Impect	
group(s) who would be impacted	Shipper Impact     iGT Impact     Network Impact       Xoserve Impact     National Grid Transmission Impact	
if the change is not delivered		
Associated Change reference	XRN4932	
Number(s)		
Associated MOD Number(s)	MOD0681S	
Perceived delivery effort	0 - 30 30 - 60	
	60 – 100 100+ days	
Does the project involve the	Yes (If yes please answer the next question)	
processing of personal data? 'Any information relating to an identifiable	L No	
person who can be directly or indirectly		
identified in particular by reference to an		
identifier' – includes MPRNS.		
A Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) will be	New technology Vulnerable customer data Theft of Gas	
required if the delivery of the	Mass data Xoserve employee data	
change involves the processing of	Fundamental changes to Xoserve business	
personal data in any of the	Other(please provide details below)	
following scenarios:	(If any of the above boxes have been selected then please contact The Data Protection	
	Officer (Sally Hall) to complete the DPIA.	
Change Beneficiary	Multiple Market Participants Multiple Market Group	
How many market participant or segments stand to benefit from the introduction of the	All industry UK Gas Market participants	
change?	One Market Group One Market Participant	
Primary Impacted DSC Service	Service Area 5: Metered Volume and Metered Quantity	
Area		
Number of Service Areas	All Five to Twenty Two to Five	
Impacted		
Change Improvement Scale? How much work would be reduced for the	High Medium Low	
customer if the change is implemented?		
Are any of the	following at risk if the change is not delivered?	
Safety of Supply at risk	Customer(s) incurring financial loss	
risk		
Are any of the following required if the change is delivered?		
Customer System Changes Require		
Kn	own Impact to Systems / Processes	



Primary Application impacted		
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	Gemini Birst Other (please provide details below)	
Business Process Impact	AQ     SPA     RGMA       Reads     Portal     Invoicing       Other (please provide details below)     Invoicing	
Are there any known impacts to	Yes (please provide details below)	
external services and/or systems as a result of delivery of this		
change?	No	
Please select customer group(s)	Shipper impact Network impact iGT impact	
who would be impacted if the change is not delivered.	Xoserve impact National Grid Transmission Impact	
Workaround currently in operation?		
Is there a Workaround in operation?	Yes No	
If yes who is accountable for the workaround?	Xoserve	
workaround?	External Customer     Both Xoserve and External Customer	
What is the Frequency of the		
workaround?		
What is the lifespan for the workaround?		
What is the number of resource		
effort hours required to service workaround?		
What is the Complexity of the	Low (easy, repetitive, quick task, very little risk of human error)	
workaround?	Medium (moderate difficult, requires some form of offline calculation, possible risk	
	of human error in determining outcome) High (complicate task, time consuming, requires specialist resources, high risk of	
	human error in determining outcome)	
Change Prioritisation Score	33%	

# **Version Control**



### Document

Version	Status	Date	Author(s)	Remarks
1	Proposal	12/04/2019	Xoserve	Change Proposal
2	With DSG	14/05/2019	Xoserve	Updated following ChMC outcome on 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2019
3	Out for review	14/06/2019	Xoserve	Solution option added to Section D for June Change Pack
4	Voting	04/07/2019	Xoserve	Change Pack reps added, ready for solution option and release decision at ChMC in July
5	Approved	12/08/2019	Xoserve	Solution option and release decision from ChMC added
6	With DSG	18/10/2019	Xoserve	CP updated with discussions from DSG 7 <sup>th</sup> October 2019
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# Template

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