

Stage 01: Modification Proposal to change an Ancillary Document

iGT068ANC:

Minor change to iGT047 Ancillary Document – SMU file naming convention “Environment”

At what stage is this document in the process?

- 01 Modification Proposal
- 02 Workgroup Report
- 03 Draft Modification Report
- 04 Final Modification Report

The solution is to change the “Environment” in the File Naming Convention (page 4) from “02” to “01”. This change will ensure SMU files transmit successfully over IX.



The Proposer recommends that this modification should be (delete as appropriate):

- Subject to the Ancillary Document change procedure (K43.3, 43.4)



High Impact:



Medium Impact:



Low Impact:

iGTs, shippers, Xoserve

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About this document:

This modification will be presented by the proposer to the panel on 20 Aug 2014.

The panel will consider the proposer's recommendation, and agree whether this modification should be subject to the Ancillary Document change procedure set out in Part K43 of the iGT UNC; and whether it should be issued for consultation or be referred to a workgroup for assessment.



Any questions?

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1. Plain English Summary

Is this a Self-Governance Modification?

Clearly state if self-governance does or does not apply and why.

Yes – and subject to the Ancillary Document change procedures under K43.3 and K43.4, requiring a panel majority for approval. The change is a minor change that is required quickly in order for SMU files to be sent over IX.

If so, will this be progressed as a Fast Track Modification?

As above.

Rationale for Change

On 31st July, Xoserve made the proposer aware of a minor change required to the iGT047 Ancillary Document - Data Items Relevant to Smart Metering File Flows, in order for SMU files to be sent successfully over IX. Without this change, files would not transmit.

Solution

The solution is to change the “Environment” in the File Naming Convention (page 4) from “02” to “01”.

Relevant Objectives

The proposer believes this change better facilitates Objective D (Securing of effective competition between relevant shipper and suppliers). Without this change, shippers would not receive up to date ‘smart relevant’ information and would therefore not be able to provide the level of service customers expect.

Implementation

In spite of the fact that this modification may require parties to make a minor system change, it is required in order for these SMU files to be sent and received successfully by iGTs and shippers. The proposer requests/recommends as early an implementation date as possible. Modification Proposal iGT047 which includes the Ancillary Document is scheduled for implementation in a release of the iGT UNC on the 1st October 2014. Unless this change is approved parties will be working with an incorrect value in the Environment field.

2. Rationale for Change

As part of the iGT047 modification, iGTs and shippers agreed to send and receive SMU files over IX (Xoserve's file exchange network). In order for files to be successfully transmitted, the file format needs to be compatible with IX.

On 31st July, Xoserve made the proposer aware of a minor change required to the value for the Environment field in the File Naming Convention of the iGT047 Ancillary Document, in order for SMU files to be sent successfully over IX. Without this change, files would not transmit. When the latest version of the Ancillary Document was agreed, there was an expectation that this value may change and was subject to confirmation by the Service Provider (xoserve).

3. Solution

The solution is to change the "Environment" in the File Naming Convention (page 4) from "02" to "01".

The reference to "the Node will be subject to confirmation from the Service Provider" will now also be removed, as this confirmation has now been received.

4. Relevant Objectives

Impact of the modification on the Relevant Objectives:

Relevant Objective	Identified impact
a) Efficient and economic operation of the pipe-line system.	None
b) Coordinated, efficient and economic operation of (i) the combined pipe-line system, and/ or (ii) the pipe-line system of one or more other relevant gas transporters.	None
c) Efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations.	None
d) Securing of effective competition: (i) between relevant shippers; (ii) between relevant suppliers; and/or (iii) between DN operators (who have entered into transportation arrangements with other relevant gas transporters) and relevant shippers.	Positive
e) Provision of reasonable economic incentives for relevant suppliers to secure that the domestic customer supply security standards... are satisfied as respects the availability of gas to their domestic customers.	None
f) Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code.	None
g) Compliance with the Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.	None

Objective D

The proposer believes this change better facilitates Objective D (Securing of effective competition between relevant shipper and suppliers). Without this change, shippers and iGTs would not receive up to date 'smart relevant' information and would therefore prohibiting suppliers from providing the level of service customers could expect, were this information available.

5. Impacts and Costs

This modification may require a small system change for those parties that have already made the iGT047 changes.

6. Likely Impact on Consumers

N/A.

7. Likely Impact on Environment

N/A.

8. Implementation

In spite of the fact that this modification may require parties to make a minor system change, it is required in order for these SMU files to be sent and received successfully by iGTs and shippers. The proposer requests/recommends a Panel decision to approve this change as soon as possible so that the change can be included in the Ancillary Document due to be implemented on the 1st October 2014.

9. Legal Text

Change to the Ancillary Document Inclusion of data items relevant to smart metering into existing industry systems – Version 1.5

Page 4 File Naming Convention

The “Environment” should always be “021” for iGTs.

Delete - (*the Node will be subject to confirmation from the Service Provider)

10. Recommendation

The Proposer invites the Panel to:

- Determine that this modification should be treated under the Ancillary Document change procedures in Part K43.3; and
- Vote to implement the modification.