

DSC Change Proposal Document

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General Details

Change Reference:	XRN 6150		
Change Title:	February 20276 Major Release (Parent Change)		
Date Raised:	27/10/2026		
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Change Status:	☒ Proposal	☐ With DSG	☐ Out for Review
	☐ Voting	☐ Approved	☐ Rejected

Impacted Parties

Change Reference:	☒ Shipper	☒ Distribution Network Operator
	☐ NG Transmission	☒ IGT
	☐ All	☐ Other <Xoserve>

Justification for
Customer Class(es)
selection:

Changes in scope for the release include those impacting the above parties

Proposer Requirements / Final (redlined) Change

Problem Statement:	The request for this Change Proposal is to ensure that there is visibility to ChMC of the change within scope of this release and progress of February 27 Major Release.					
Change Description:	This change proposal has been raised to create a parent XRN for the February 27 Major Release There are 2 changes within this release:					
		<table border="1"> <tr> <td>5987</td> <td>Modification 0915 – Debt Relief Scheme Payment (DRSP)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6000</td> <td>Modification 0908 – Removal of DNO meter reading obligations resulting from non-provision of a Valid Meter Reading by a Shipper</td> </tr> </table>		5987	Modification 0915 – Debt Relief Scheme Payment (DRSP)	6000
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Proposed Release:	February 27 Major Release Go Live 26 February 2027.					
Proposed Consultation Period:	☒ 10 Working Days	☐ 15 Working Days				
	☐ 20 Working Days	☐ Other [specify here]				

Benefits and Justification

Benefit Description:	XRN 5987 will support the delivery of the Debt Relief Scheme (if put in place by Ofgem), and will provide DNOs the mechanism to recover payments made to Suppliers as instructed by Ofgem to help write off debts associated to domestic customers. XRN 6000 - Extract from 'Why' Section of Modification 0908: It is time to remove this obligation for the following reasons:
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	1) Meter reading has been a Supplier obligation for many years, and it is not appropriate to require DNOs to procure a service with unknown and probably low volumes, and no certainty of Service Lines and Funding volumes or locations. It seems highly unlikely that this is the most efficient way to obtain these meter readings and therefore the current arrangements are unlikely to be the most cost-effective solution for the end consumer; 2) The Performance Assurance Committee is now responsible for settlement accuracy so DNOs do not have a vested interest in the procurement of reads for settlement accuracy; 3) Shippers should be responsible for remedying their breaches of Code in respect of meter reading submissions. For the avoidance of doubt, as the activity of obtaining a Read is not a safety related issue, agents acting for or on behalf of a party obtaining a Read, for example Suppliers, will have the same rights as Transporters to access the meter. <i>What, if any, are the tangible benefits of introducing this change? What, if any, are the intangible benefits of introducing this change?</i>
Benefit Realisation:	XRN 5987 - following implementation and the first charges being issued (expected to be from April 2027). XRN 6000 - Following implementation <i>When are the benefits of the change likely to be realised?</i>
Benefit Dependencies:	XRN 5987 - Modification 0915 is Authority Consent therefore will require Ofgem approval to allow implementation; Ofgem will also need to issue a direction to GDNs to establish new licence conditions to support this. Both elements must be in place before this change can be implemented. XRN 6000 - Modification 0908 is Authority Consent therefore will require Ofgem approval to allow implementation. <i>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.</i>

Service Lines and Funding

Service Line(s) Impacted - New or existing:	XRN 5987 - From an initial consideration of the DSC Service Line impact, it is expected that a new Service Line(s) is required as a result of this change. The Service Area which this most likely will sit under is Service Area 10 – Invoicing Customers (100 % DN Operators. XRN 6000 - The must read service is charged as a Specific Service. There are currently two Service Lines which cover this: SS SA22 05 and SS SA22 06. As the service for IGT SMPs will continue, we anticipate that these Service Lines will need to remain in place. A minor update to the Service Lines may be required to specify this is for IGT SMPs only. This will be assessed and confirmed during the DSC change process.	
Level of Impact:	XRN 5987 - TBC – New Service Line expected XRN 6000 - TBC	
If None please give justification:	N/A & TBC	
Impacts on UK Link Manual/ Data Permissions Matrix:	XRN 5987 - No impacts anticipated XRN 6000 - TBC	
Level of Impact:	XRN 5987 – None XRN 6000 - TBC	
If None please give justification:	XRN 5987 - We do not believe there are any changes to: - the DPM as no data is being released to third parties - the UKL Manual as it is simply updating an existing process with an additional condition to assess Read Performance	

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Funding Classes:	Customer Classes/ Funding	Delivery of Change	On-going Budget Amendment	
	☐ Shipper	XX %	XX %	
	☐ National Gas Transmission	XX %	XX %	
	☐ Distribution Network Operator	XX%	XX %	
	☐ IGT	XX %	XX %	
	☐ Other [please specify]	XX %	XX %	
ROM or funding details:				
Funding Comments:	Funding details will be itemised for each change within the Business Evaluation Report (BER)			

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Version Control

Document

Version	Status	Date	Author(s)	Remarks
0.1	For review	27/10/26	Rob Westwood	CP drafted & for internal review