

DSC Change Proposal Document

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A1: General Details

Change Reference:	XRN 5933			
Change Title:	Business Plan Information Rules Independent Assurance			
Date Raised:	02/05/2025			
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	Business Owner:	James Rigby		
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
	🛛 All	\Box Other <please details="" here="" provide=""></please>
Justification for Customer Class(es) selection	The business plan / budget that will be subjected to the assurance includes costs across all constituencies	

A3: Proposer Requirements / Final (redlined) Change

Problem Statement:	UNC modification 0841 has been approved by the regulator. The		
	mod brings new rules pertaining to the Business Plan process and		
	content. One new requirement is for a sufficiently independent 3 rd		
	Party to undertake assurance that determines the degree to which		
	each Business Plan Information Rule (BPIR) has been satisfied.		



	We require funding to procure a suitable 3 rd party to undertake this activity for BP26. It was against BP25 that this assurance first took place; this highlighted certain scenarios (such as spend against drawdown budgets) that compliance is not possible at business planning stage. This request will also enable a 3 rd party to assure satisfaction against delivery of BP25 where it was not possible at Business Planning stage. This change request allows for the assurance to be funded from		
Change Description:	the 2025/26 General Change budget and a 3 rd party procured to undertake the work.		
Proposed Release:	Ad hoc		
Proposed	⊠ 10 Working Days	□ 15 Working Days	
Consultation Period:	□ 20 Working Days	Other [Specify Here]	

A4: Benefits and Justification

Benefit Description:	3 rd party assessment of compliance with BP26 BPIRs and remaining BP25 BPIRs (where it was not possible during Business Planning) What, if any, are the tangible benefits of introducing this change? What, if any, are the intangible benefits of introducing this change?
Benefit Realisation:	January 2026 When are the benefits of the change likely to be realised?
Benefit Dependencies:	n/a 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 – Removed

(see Section C for DSG recommendations)

A6: Service Lines and Funding

Service Line(s)	
Impacted - New or	n/a
existing	
Level of Impact	Major/ Minor/ Unclear/ None
If None please give	
justification	



Impacts on UK Link Manual/ Data Permissions Matrix Level of Impact	n/a Major/ Minor/ Unclear/ None		
If None please give justification			
Funding Classes :	Customer Classes/ Funding	Delivery of Change	On-going Budget Amendment
	🛛 Shipper	44.9%	0%
	⊠ National Gas Transmission	7.2%	0%
	☑ Distribution Network Operator	46.4%	0%
	⊠ IGT	1.5%	0%
	□ Other <please specify=""></please>	0%	0%
ROM or funding details:	£80k		
Funding Comments:	This funds the assurance against	BP25 as per UN	VC mod 0841

Please send the completed forms to: wklink@xoserve.com



Version Control

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0.2	Draft	06/05/25	James Rigby	
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