

DSC Business Evaluation Report (BER)



Change Title	November 24 Major Release
Xoserve reference number (XRN)	XRN 5778
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Section 1: In Scope

This BER requests approval for funding of XRN5615 - Establishing/Amending a Gas Vacant Site Process (Modification 0819). This is in addition to the BER approved in June.

The November 24 BER which included XRN5585 - Flow Weighted Average Calorific Value - Phase 2 Service Improvements (FWACV2) and XRN5720 - Modification IGT 173 Gateway delivery for RPC backing data was approved at the June ChMC with a total value of **£310,248**. Please find the link to the approved document - [BER - XRN5778 - November 24 Major Release.pdf \(gasgovernance.co.uk\)](#)

A Consolidated closedown report will be provided at the end of the project which will include all 3 changes in scope of November 24.

The total delivery cost, to be approved in this BER is **£610,414** and relates only to XRN5615.

This is to be drawn down from the DSC General Change Budget.

The delivery of this project as part of the November 24 release was approved at the ChMC meeting on 8th May 2024, please find the detail of the XRN below.

XRN	Title	Type	Description	Link to Change Proposal	Impacts
5615	Establishing/Amending a Gas Vacant Site Process (Modification 0819).	Regulatory	<p>Modification 0819 aims to create a new process for Vacant Product Class 4 Non-Daily Metered (NDM) sites which would allow Shippers to receive immediate commodity and performance relief and capacity relief (after 12 months at vacant status) for sites in their ownership.</p> <p>To ensure the Service could be delivered to the necessary timescales, a number of Distribution Network requirements and process improvement opportunities which were identified during the delivery phase were agreed to be deferred until a later date.</p> <p>A Supply Meter Point (SMP) must meet the criteria set out in the MOD and associated documentation to</p>	XRN 5615 Xoserve	Shippers

			<p>enter the new process from the Vacant Site Effective Date.</p> <p>When an SMP has had a vacant status for 12 months the Shipper can request to reduce Annual Quantity (AQ) to 1 via a new Vacant Site 'eligible cause' as per the existing AQ amendments process to receive capacity relief from the new AQ effective date.</p> <p>An SMP will exit the process when one of the Vacant Site exit criteria (Set out in Modification 0819) is met.</p> <p>Additional Performance Report Register (PARR) reporting will be introduced for the Vacant Sites process.</p>		
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Section 2: Out of Scope

- Any additional changes to the baseline customer requirements and approved detailed design
- Any additional change proposals (CP) added to the scope of XRN5615

Section 3: Funding required to deliver the change

The following section outlines the proposed costs for XRN5615.

The BER costs for approval are highlighted in amber, the total for which is **£610,414**

BER Costs

XRN Ref	Design	HLSO £	Build	Test	Implementation PIS	1st Year S&O	Delivery Total	Risk Margin	BER Total for Approval
5615		£682,000	£ 207,590	£ 215,172	£ 95,796	£ 40,000	£ 558,558	£ 51,856	£610,414

Customer Cost Breakdown

XRN Ref	Design	HLSO £	BER Total for Approval	Shipper %	DN %	IGT %	NTS %	Shipper £	DN £	IGT £	NTS £
5615		£682,000	£610,414	70%	30%	0%	0%	£427,289	£183,124	£0	£0

Key

Item	Description
XRN	The recognised reference of the change
HLSO	Cost of approved solution
Design EQR	Cost already approved in the related EQR. If BER is being done for standalone release and no EQR was published, leave blank
Build	Costs associated with building functional changes
Test	Is a total of all testing (other than MT) to includes UAT, System Test, System Integration Test, Regression Test and Performance Test
Market Trials	Costs associated with Market Trials - if none required for the XRN, the field is left blank
MTB	Costs associated with additional to MTB through to end of the Financial Year
Delivery Total	Total costs per XRN minus related EQR costs, risk margin and contingency
Risk Margin	Costs associated with the mitigation of known risks relating to each XRN should they materialise during the project
BER Total for Approval	Total costs per XRN minus related EQR costs (inclusive of risk margin and contingency) being requested for approval in ChMC
Shipper %	% of costs being funded by Shippers
DN %	% of costs being funded by DNs
IGT %	% of costs being funded by IGTs
NTS %	% of costs being funded by NTS
Shipper £	Costs being request for approval via BER (BER Total for Approval * Shipper % Share)
DN £	Costs being request for approval via BER (BER Total for Approval * DN % Share)
IGT £	Costs being request for approval via BER (BER Total for Approval * IGT % Share)
NTS £	Costs being request for approval via BER (BER Total for Approval * NTS % Share)
Total	Sum of all costs related to each change

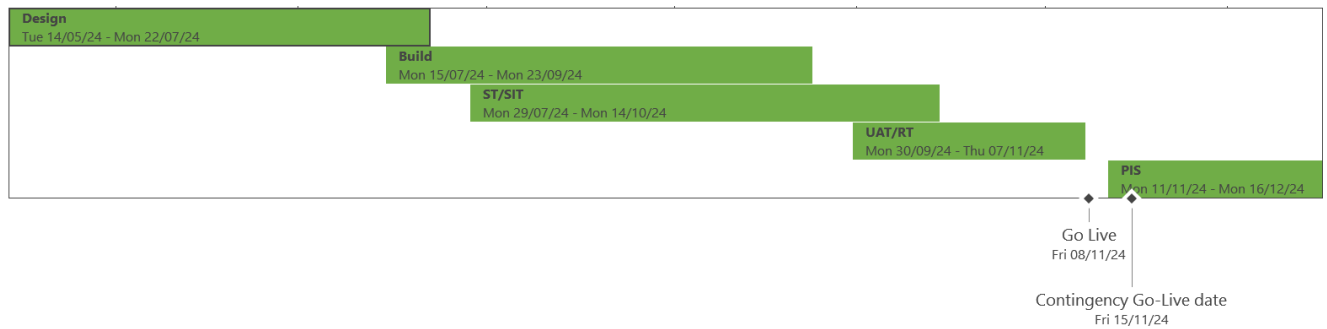
Section 4: Estimated impact of the service change on service charges

Impacts to Ongoing Costs

- The 1st year Service & Operate (S&O) for XRN5615 are estimated to be £40,000 this will be reviewed and finalised by the end of the test phase with check points post PIS phase and included into BP26.1st year S&O costs covers Jan – Mar 25.

Change	Duration	Total Price	
XRN5615	Jan25- Mar25	£8,000	1 st Year S&O
	April25- Mar 26	£32,000	2 nd Year S&O

Section 5: Project plan for delivery of the change



Project Phase	Start Date	End Date
Build	15/07/2024	27/09/2024
System testing	29/07/2024	18/10/2024
User Acceptance & Regression Testing	30/09/2024	04/11/2024
Implementation	04/11/2024	08/11/2024
Go-Live	08/11/2024	08/11/2024
Post implementation support	08/11/2024	16/12/2024
Closedown	17/12/2024	10/02/2025

Section 6: Additional information relevant to the proposed service change

Delivery risks to be monitored throughout the delivery of this release:

Quantifiable Risks

- There is a risk that the volumes of vacant site requests that will be raised post implementation is unknown. This could potentially have an impact on current process if a large number of requests are raised immediately post go-live. Discussions have been had with shippers to establish the potential volumes they will be raising to ensure that appropriate monitoring is in place to mitigate any impacts to other processes, but nothing has been forthcoming.
- There is a risk that the customers may request a scope for XRN5615 change during the duration of the project. If customers request a scope change for 5615 (decrease or increase); this will need to be formally requested and assessed via the change control process, and an increase of costs may occur. This risk margin will only be used for scope changes to 5615. The potential impact of any scope change is unknown at this point, however once requested a full impact assessment will be completed, with impacts to costs and time clearly called out. **Risk Margin - £51,856**

Non-Quantifiable Risks

- Due to the role that the CDSP provides within the competitive gas market, priority regulatory changes (e.g. urgent UNC or REC Modifications) may require development and delivery at expedited timescales, which could lead to scope change of the Release, including an updated BER or delay to the proposed Release Implementation Date.

These non-quantifiable risks have no cost that can be included in the risk margin for this delivery but have been recorded here for visibility and acknowledgement of ChMC. These will be reported on through the monthly project progress reports to ChMC.

