



DSC Business Evaluation Report (BER)

Change Title	Platform to support Performance Assurance Committee (PAC)
Xoserve reference number (XRN)	5793
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Section 1: In Scope

Change Proposal [XRN5793 Platform to support Performance Assurance Committee \(PAC\)](#) has been raised to support the transition of the secured platform from the Performance Assurance Framework Administrator (PAFA) scope, to be provisioned by the Central Data Service Provider (CDSP). The platform is required for the PAFA to store and share settlement data on performance.

It was agreed by PAC that with effect from July 2024, the CDSP will become responsible for the provision of a secure platform to be used by the PAFA to store and share information on industry settlement performance.

For background, the reasons for removing the secure platform from the PAFA scope and transferring to the CDSP include:

- It will assist with the consistency of the service if the CDSP are responsible for the provision of the platform.
 - If the platform were to remain under the PAFA scope, when the PAFA changes, there could be a change in the platform which would require new onboarding and training impacting PAC and the industry, plus additional implementation costs.
- Making the CDSP responsible for the provision of the platform provides greater opportunity for synergies with existing data sharing platforms.

XRN5793 specifically supports the CDSP taking over the arrangements of the secure platform. As the new PAFA contract will go live from 05 July 2024, the CDSP will be taking over arrangements of the current platform. As a result, there will be limited to no change for PAC and industry users of the platform. The initial transition of the platform is expected to be funded via the Data Service Contract (DSC) Change budget for the current year (July 2024 to March 2025), but the ongoing costs of the secure platform will be included in the Business Plan from 2025.

Section 2: Out of Scope

Changes to the performance assurance agreement contract are out of scope of this BER.

Section 3: Funding required to deliver the change

BER Costs

XRN	Platform Delivery* £	1st Year S&O £**	Delivery Total £	BER Total for Approval £
5793	£6,000	£15,000	£21,000	£21,000

*New contract implementation costs which includes data automation and IT configuration.

**Cost of portal provision by the CDSP.

Customer Cost Breakdown

% Split By Constituency				Value Split by Constituency				
Shipper %	DN %	IGT %	NGT %	Shipper £	DN £	IGT £	NGT £	Total £
80%	18%	2%	0%	£16,800	£3,780	£420	£0	£21,000

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

XRN	Xoserve Service Area & Line	Impact	(+/-) Projected Change in Annual Cost
5793	Service Area SA15 – Value Added Services	New service line to ensure the CDSP ongoing provision of a secure platform that the PAFA will use to store and share information on industry settlement performance	£15,000
Total			£15,000

Section 5: Project plan for delivery of the change

The new PAFA contract is due to go live 5th July 2024.

With effect from July 2024 the CDSP will be taking over the arrangements of the secure platform. Due to contractual arrangements between PAFA and third parties, CDSP will take ownership of the Gas Performance Assurance Portal (GPAP) portal from 18th August with parallel running from 11th August.

The secure platform will continue to allow PAC members, the CDSP and industry participants (where requested) to have access.

Section 6: Additional information relevant to the proposed service change

As highlighted above, the secure platform is an existing secure platform used by PAC to store and share performance data. The platform will continue to be used as is once transferred to the CDSP.

Reason for the transfer of the portal is to reduce implementation costs each time CDSP procure for a new PAFA and for future developments which support merging performance reporting with other CDSP reporting platforms.

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Document Version History

Version	Status	Date	Author(s)	Summary of Changes
0.1	Peer Review	13/06/24	Josie Lewis	All sections created
0.2	Peer Review	26/06/24	Deborah Sherlock	Additional information added
0.3	Final Review	27/06/24	James Barlow	Template updated and details added as discussed