Market Wide Half-Hourly Settlement (MHHS) Updates

(16 August 2024)

Code Drafting

At its next meeting on **21 August 2024**, the **Cross Code Advisory Group** (CCAG) will make the approval decision on **Code Artefacts (Milestone 6 (M6))**, the programme milestone to formally baseline the Balancing & Settlement Code (BSC), REC and Distribution Connection and Use of System Agreement (DCUSA) code changes

There will also be updates on:

- Cross Code Horizon Scanning
- Code Drafting Working Group (CDWG) Escalations
- M6 Reporting, CCAG Risks and Milestones
- Milestone 7 (M7) Delivery
- Milestone 8 (M8) Code Implementation
- CDWG

The meeting papers are available on the [Code Governance page of the MHHS website](#).

Systems Integration Testing (SIT)

Cycle 2 Extended

The Programme is extending SIT Cycle 2 by five weeks and will defer the maintenance window for Interim Release (IR) 8.2 to **23 September 2024**.

This allows for two additional sprints (two weeks and three weeks in duration) across **SIT Functional, SIT Migration and SIT Settlement**. The IR8.2 maintenance window in SIT-A will last for four weeks, because of feedback from the data retrospective and enabling more time for data preparation and loading activities.

At the Programme Steering Group (PSG) and Fast Track Implementation Group (FTIG), the Programme outlined its plans to undertake further scenario and contingency planning to assess the impact of the slower pace of testing on downstream Programme milestones - the Programme aims to undertake this analysis throughout August. A programme Change Request will be issued for Impact Assessment in September, with a targeted approval of the new baseline at PSG in October.

If you have any questions, please email PPC@mhhsprogramme.co.uk

Initial Qualification Assessment Document (QAD) Submission Date Update

Following discussion and participant feedback at the August Qualification Working Group (QWG), the Programme and Code Bodies intend to push back the Initial QAD submission window for Systems Integration Testing (SIT) Programme participants and Non-SIT Licensed Distribution System Operators (LDSOs) by at least a month.

This is to reflect the short-term delay to SIT activities and to provide Programme participants with more time to prepare. The Initial QAD submission window was due to open on 02 September 2024.

The Initial QAD submission window is a Tier 3 milestone in the Programme Plan for Non-SIT LDSOs, and therefore requires formal approval at the Qualification Advisory Group (QAG). Consequently, a formal decision cannot be taken at this point, but the milestone change will be presented at the QAG on 22 August 2024 for approval.

It is likely that the windows for the equivalent for Non-SIT Supplier and Agent participants, which are already planned for later, will also be pushed back to reflect later Programme activities.

We expect Programme participants to continue to progress their readiness activities and the change in Initial QAD submission window timelines should not impact momentum.

To that end, a Word version of the QAD will be published on the [Qualification Assessment Document page of the MHHS website](#) to enable participants to continue to prepare their submission once this has been approved by the Balancing & Settlement Code (BSC) and Retail Energy Code (REC) Performance Assurance Boards (PABs). This final version of the QAD is tabled for approval at the BSC PAB and the REC PAB at the end of August.

Further updates about Qualification milestones will be discussed at QAG and the programme will provide additional communication to participants as soon as possible to support participant planning.

If you have any SIT questions, please email the Testing team at Testing@mhhsprogramme.co.uk.

If you have any non-SIT LDSO questions, please email LDSO_QT@mhhsprogramme.co.uk.

Data Cleanse Plan

NEW! Updated Data Cleanse Plan and upcoming Population of ESME ID population activity

On 09 August 2024, an [updated v3.0 of the Data Cleanse Plan](#) was approved. Note: no changes have been made to the timing of the Population of ESME ID population activity.

Each DNO (known as Licensed Distribution System Operator (LDSO) in the MHHS Programme) will need to access their Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP), retrieve the (.csv) file shared by the Programme, check that it matches their expectations and load the data into their production environment. This activity must be completed by **18 August 2024**.

Once complete, all LDSOs are required to provide a self-declaration to the Operational Readiness team by emailing the team at OpReadiness@mhhsprogramme.co.uk by **17:00** on **19 August 2024**.

In this declaration LDSOs should detail the number of exceptions that arise from this production data load split by exception reason.

LDSOs are required to raise all identified exceptions in the Secure Data Exchange Portal (SDEP) by **30 August 2024**. You can find further guidance and information in the Data Cleanse Plan.

If you have any questions on anything Data Cleanse related, please email OpReadiness@mhhsprogramme.co.uk

Programme Change

NEW! Change Request CR054 issued for Impact Assessment

On **30 July 2024**, the Change Board approved Change Request CR054: Change to Non-Functional Requirements for Licensed Distribution System Operators (LDSOs) to be issued for Impact Assessment.

The Impact Assessment was issued on **08 August 2024** and the deadline for responses is **17:00** on **22 August 2024**. All Programme Participants should review and respond to the Impact Assessment, as the impacts are not limited to LDSOs.

For more details about this, including access to the CR054 form, please visit the Programme Change Control page of the MHHS website.

To provide your feedback and Impact Assessment on this Change Request, please complete the CR054 form and email it to PMO@mhhsprogramme.co.uk by **17:00** on **22 August 2024**. We held a Change Control Webinar on CR054 on 07 August 2024.

In case you missed it, you can access the webinar slides and recording on the MHHS Change Control Webinars page of the MHHS website. If you have any questions, please email PMO@mhhsprogramme.co.uk.

Design

Design Interim Release 8.2 – Design Artefacts to be published on 21 August 2024.

This contains six Design Issue Notifications (DINs), correcting errors in Industry Standing Data (ISD) Entities, Method Statements and defects in Swagger ahead of the upcoming Testing SIT Cycle 3 and Qualification Testing.

This release focuses on essential refinements and clarifications necessary for the smooth progression of the upcoming SIT Cycle 3 and Qualification Testing.

IR8.2 will not introduce any new functionality but will address specific identified errors that are likely to cause future failures in testing.

Programme participants are expected to conduct their own risk assessment against IR8.2 and execute their own appropriate regression testing without the need to formally PIT report against it.

These Artefacts will be published on the [Baselined Design Artefacts page of the MHHS website](#).

Red-lined documents with tracked changes are published on the [Red-lined Design Artefacts page](#) to make it clear which sections have been updated.

The Artefacts will be published alongside the **Interim IR8.2 Release Note** which lists all the documents that will be updated and published as part of this Release.

Programme Participants will need to incorporate these updates before starting SIT Functional Cycle 3.

The DIN Log will be updated on **23 August 2024** and each subsequent Friday to reflect the IR8.2 scope and further detail around the updates.

Please note that these updates have already been agreed and are not open for further comment.

If you have any questions about Design Interim Releases, please email Design@mhhsprogramme.co.uk.