

## Archive: Weekly Change Bulletin (12 January 2024)

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### Portal Notifications

Please note that due to an issue, the Portal is not currently able to generate notifications to users upon the publication of Change information, including new consultations and impact assessments. We will continue to notify you of Change publications through this Bulletin.

### Market-Wide Half Hourly Settlement

The Data Integration Platform (DIP) Surgery Recordings are now available.

The Programme has published the Data Integration Platform (DIP) Surgery Recordings alongside an uplifted version of the DIP FAWs document on the [DIP Guidance Documents page of the Collaboration Base](#).

If you have questions about the DIP, please email [DIP@mhhsprogramme.co.uk](mailto:DIP@mhhsprogramme.co.uk)

### February Release Drop-in Session

The REC Code Manager is hosting a February Release Drop-in Session on **07 February 2024** (14:00-14:30) to provide an overview of the planned changes within the scope the February Release taking place on 23 February 2024. The session will provide information on the impacts of the changes and provide you with an opportunity ask your questions direct to the Code Manager. To view the full list of topics and register your interest, click [here](#) or email [enquiries@recmanager.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@recmanager.co.uk).

### Change of Tenancy Change Proposal (R0155) Working Group

[R0155](#) has been raised by RECCo with the intention of reviewing the non-domestic Change of Tenancy process, including Change of Supplier with a Change of Tenancy. The review has no set solution and is looking for input from Suppliers, Third Party Intermediaries and Consumers through a working group and the REC Change Process.

Prior to the formal establishment of the working group to develop the potential solution for the change, the Code Manager is hosting two online webinars – one for Suppliers and one for Third Party Intermediaries. These sessions will introduce the Code Manager's plan for the subsequent working group activity, including how that working group would be established and members appointed.

Both sessions will commence at 14:00 and are expected to last approximately two hours.

Suppliers are invited to sign up to attend their webinar on 25 January 2024 by emailing [enquiries@recmanager.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@recmanager.co.uk).

TPIs are invited to sign up to attend their webinar on 01 February 2024 by emailing [enquiries@recmanager.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@recmanager.co.uk).

## R0148 – Introduction of a classification-based access model into the REC in support of Open Data

R0148 - Introduction of a classification-based access model into the REC in support of Open Data involves the categorisation of data within the Enquiry Services, which will help to improve, extend, and simplify access to data securely and efficiently. These will be 4 categories of Closed, Personal, Conditionally Open and Always Open.

Part of this Change Proposal will be to introduce a metadata catalogue which categorises each Data Item within the Enquiry Services. The Code Manager is requesting that industry review the proposed categorisation of the Data Items, and an overview of how this should be completed can be found [here](#). Once the review is finalised, it can be uploaded to the Portal on the relevant Party Impact Assessment page [here](#).

This request was flagged to RIG Members at the meeting on 10 November 2023 and there were concerns raised over the size of the request and that ample time must be provided to ensure the right resource can conduct this review. The Code Manager has taken this feedback on board and extended the Impact Assessment period to 26 January 2024.

Please submit your response by **23:59** on **26 January 2024**.

## Category 3 Change Proposals

Category 3 Change Proposal [C3-0060 – Entry Assessment Forms](#) has now been implemented.

In line with the Performance Assurance Plan, the Code Manager has reviewed and updated the Entry Assessment Forms, with the updates noted at the REC Performance Assurance Board in November. A clarification has been added to the Entry Assessment Forms to note that there is a separate Qualification Assessment Document (QAD) to complete for MHHS.

Additionally, in line with the risk-based approach to Market Entry, the Code Manager has updated the Information Security and Data Protection (ISDP) with separate sections to be completed dependant on the applicant and their requested access, and also updated the Business Solutions Assessment to capture if an Applicant has previously operated in the market.

The REC Entry Assessment Forms doc can be found [here](#). The [REC Baseline Statement](#) has been updated to version 1.28 to reflect the implementation of this document.

## Data Specification Changes

**Change Request CR041 – Change the format of Market Participant Code from Char(1) to Char(2)** has been raised for impact assessment by the Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement Programme to consider the change raised in BSC Change Proposal CP1589. The CR041 form can be found on the [Programme Change Control - MHHS Programme](#) page.

- BSCCo has raised BSC Change Proposal BSC CP1589 'Change the number of characters used to specify Market Participant Role Codes in the Market Domain Data' to address the BSCCo issue that there are no Market Participant Role Codes currently available for BSCCo to allocate to new Market Participants which would be highly likely to have a significant adverse impact on new and amended industry processes and initiatives.
- If CP1589 is approved, it will impact the MHHS Programme Industry Standing Data (ISD) Method Statement and the Helix Programme Work Package 3: ISD, as the Market Participant

Role Code is defined in ISD Entity Id 21 'Role Code' and is used in several other ISD Entities; ISD Management System; and BSCP707 (ISDD) Appendices 1 & 2.

The CR041 Impact Assessment asks if the Change Request is:

- Critical to the ability of the Programme or a Programme Participant to achieve 'go-live' (M10) on schedule; and/or
- Required to fix to a defect in the MHHS Design.

Please note, a Programme Change Freeze is now in effect and as such participants are strongly encouraged to provide a view within their Impact Assessment comments on whether they believe this change is essential ahead of go-live and what the impacts would be should the change not be implemented.

Completed CR041 forms should be returned by email to [PMO@mhhsprogramme.co.uk](mailto:PMO@mhhsprogramme.co.uk) before **17:00 on Wednesday 24 January 2024**.

## Impact Assessments Published

The following Impact Assessments have been published and can be accessed from the [Impact Assessments Register](#) on the REC Portal.

Change Proposal	REC Parties/ Market Participants	Data Specification Impacts		Published Date	Response Deadline
		Impacted areas	Impacted Parties		
<a href="#">R0098 – Optional Fuzzy Searching in EES</a>	All Portal Users, EES Users	N/A	N/A	11 January	03 February
<a href="#">R0108 – Enabling EES Searching using a UPRN</a>	All Portal Users, EES Users	Electricity DAM	Virtual Lead Parties	11 January	03 February
<a href="#">R0150 - On-site Aggregation as a method to facilitate Third Party Access - BSC P455</a>	Electricity Suppliers  MEMs	N/A	N/A	15 December	15 January

To respond to an Impact Assessment; download and complete the Impact Assessment Response Form on the Impact Assessment Page, then click 'Add Response' to upload the completed form.

*Please note: the cut off for responses is 23:59 on the Response Deadline in the bulletin and on the Impact Assessment Response form. On the REC Portal this shows the cut off as 00:00 on the following date. Please submit your responses in line with the bulletin and Response form deadline.*

Further information about Impact Assessments can be found in the [Change Management User Guide](#).

## Consultations Published

The following Consultations have been published and can be accessed from the [Consultations Register](#) on the REC Portal.

Change Proposal	REC Parties/ Market Participants	Data Specification Impacts		Published Date	Response Deadline
		Impacted areas	Impacted Parties		
<a href="#">R0154 – Performance Assurance Report Catalogue V5.1</a>	Suppliers	N/A	N/A	5 January	26 January
<a href="#">R0062 – Removal of ERDA Metering Point Energy Flow Change Restriction</a>	Suppliers  DNOs	N/A	N/A	21 December	23 January
<a href="#">R0115 - Frequency and content of CSS reports on switching via the DCC portal</a>	Energy Suppliers  Switching Operator	N/A	N/A	15 December	19 January
<a href="#">C3-0057 – Data Access Request for Virtual Lead Parties</a>	All REC participants	Electricity DAM	Virtual Lead Parties	05 January	19 January
<a href="#">C3-0058 - Administrative Changes to align to the Data Permissions Matrix</a>	All REC participants	GAS DAM	Gas Markup Participants	05 January	19 January

To respond to a Consultation; download and complete the 'Consultation Response form' on the Consultation Page, then click 'Add Response' to upload the completed form.

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## Initial Assessment Reports Published

On 09 January 2024, the Initial Assessment Report and accompanying Change Proposal Plan for the below Change Proposal was published on the REC Portal.

- [R0156 – Updates to the CSS Message Business Data Validation Rules and Physical Interface Design Specification](#)

The table below summarises the areas of impact that the Code Manager anticipates will result from this change proposal.

Change Proposal	REC Parties and Service Users	REC Products	REC Services
R0156	CSS Users	REC Baseline Statement Physical Design Interface Document Business Data Validation Rules	Central Switching Service

If you have comments on the Initial Assessment Report, please provide these via the Change Proposal page (using the 'Add Comments' button) by **23:59 on 15 January 2024**.

## Preliminary Change Reports Published

The Preliminary Change Reports for the following Change Proposals have been published on the REC Portal:

- [R0147 – Prepayment Levelisation](#)
- [R0093 – Uplift to CSS Maximum Demand Volumes during MHHS Migration Period](#)

If you have any comments on the Change Reports, please provide these via their Change Proposal page by **23:59 on 15 January 2024**.

## Withdrawn Change Proposals

Change Proposal [R0051 Switch Request Objections \(Change of Occupier\)](#) has been withdrawn.

R0051 - Switch Request Objections (Change of Occupier) has been withdrawn. The Proposer believes that all the requirements raised under this Change Proposal are to be taken forward within R0155 – Change of Tenancy: Evidentiary Standards and Timescales.

Whilst the Code Manager does not expect any adoptions, R0051 will be open for adoption for 10 Working Days after which time will be fully withdrawn on the REC portal. If you wish to adopt this Change Proposal, you can do this via the 'Adopt Proposal' button on the Change Proposal page, by **23:59 on 26 January 2024**.

## Contacting the Code Manager

***We've made contacting the Code Manager even easier – by adding webchat to every page of the REC Portal. 75% of webchats are resolved on the spot, without the need for a case to be created!***

We welcome feedback about our communications and all aspects of the REC Code Manager service. To send us your feedback you can create a ticket on the [REC Portal Service Desk](#), send an email to [enquiries@recmanager.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@recmanager.co.uk), or use the [CSI feedback form](#).

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