Archive: Weekly Change Bulletin (24 May 2024)

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June 2024 REC Release Drop-in Session

The Code Manager is hosting the June 2024 REC Release Drop-in Session on **11 June 2024** (13:00 – 14:00) to provide an overview of the planned changes within the scope the June 2024 (3.11.0) REC Release taking place on **28 June 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.

R0113 – Data Specification Updates and Clarifications Webinar

The Code Manager is hosting a webinar around Change Proposal R0113 – Data Specification Updates and Clarifications on **13 June 2024** (13:00 – 15:00) to provide Parties with an overview of all changes within scope and the opportunity to ask questions or raise concerns about any alterations proposed.

To view the full list of topics and register your interest, click here or email enquiries@recmanager.co.uk.

C3-0083 – SDEP User Guide Updates

R0121 – SDEP Review Improvements – Process Types has been approved for implementation on **23 August 2024** and introduces new Secure Data Exchange use cases (Process Types).

The Code Manager is updating the Secure Data Exchange Portal (SDEP) User Guide to align with the new Process Types and to review it more generally through C3-0083 – SDEP User Guide Updates.

This Category 3 Change Proposal seeks to create a comprehensive overview describing the intended/best practice use of all SDEP Process Types to ensure that queries are raised correctly and therefore can be resolved more easily.

Industry feedback is sought on the draft updates to the SDEP User Guide through the Consultations Register on the REC Portal.

Completing the consultation

The link to the consultation can be found here. The Code Manager is requesting consultation responses via the Excel Spreadsheet. This has three tabs for Parties to provide input into the drafting of the guidance as well as specific questions in red. Please enter any suggested changes or additions into the blue shaded cells.

As well as the updated User Guide, the Code Manager will produce a slide deck of the basic information about SDEP and the Process Types so that organisations using SDEP can incorporate this into their own training materials.

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		
New R0164 - Removing the Enumerations from Communications Method Data Item (J0386) to align with BSC CP 1594	Electricity Suppliers Electricity MEMs DNOs Data Collectors	J0386 – Communication Method	Electricity Suppliers Electricity MEMs DNOs Data Collectors	24 May	14 June
New R0113 – Data Specification Updates and Clarifications	All REC Parties	Several – detailed inside Preliminary Change Report	All REC Parties	23 May	05 July
R0167 - Change Process Improvements following Code Manager review	All REC Parties and Service Providers	N/A	N/A	17 May	03 June
R0146 - Data Specification Update for Refresh Functionality	CSS, GRDA	Market Message Catalogue – admin only	CSS, GRDA	16 May	10 June
C3-0083 - SDEP User Guide Updates	SDEP Users	N/A	N/A	16 May	03 June
R0080 - Improvements to 'Failed to Deliver' CSS Messages	CSS Users	N/A	N/A	10 May	03 June

R0094 - Clarify obligations on gas meter exchanges that occur close to CoS	Gas MEMs Gas Suppliers Gas Shippers	N/A	N/A	09 May	31 May

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.

We appreciate that stakeholders may not always have the time to complete a consultation response form, so alternatively we are happy to accept any responses by email to change.management@recmanager.co.uk.

Please note: the cut off for responses is 23:59 on the Response Deadline in the bulletin (unless a different cut-off is specified in the table above) and on the Consultation 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 Consultations can be found in the Change Management User Guide.

Impact Assessment Published

The following Impact Assessment has 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		
R0069 - Amendments to Sample Access Agreement	Non-Party REC Service Users	N/A	N/A	23 May	17 June

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.

REC Code Roadmap Refresh – V1.1

A refreshed version of the REC Code Roadmap is now available. It presents the priority work items that the REC Code Manager is delivering now and in the near future that are resulting, or could result, in changes to the REC.

Points to note from V1.1 include:

- **New Change** Proposals and Change Issues raised – R0169, R0170, R0171, R0177, I0168, and I0172 to I0176 – in particular for themes Metering, Theft and CSS Processes.

- **Withdrawal** of a number of CPs including R0076, R0079, R0151, R0153 due to solutions being identified elsewhere, timing misalignment or scope change required.

- Number of **consulttions** (also including impact assessments, RFIs and surveys); 13 are active at the time of writing. Contact your OAM or change.management@recmanager.co.uk with any queries.

- Volume of change confirmed or proposed for the **June 2024 Release**; 10 CPs could be implemented in next month's release, spread across 7 roadmap themes. Refer to the Portal to find out more.

- **Future CPs** are likely on the Smart Meter installation survey (SMIS), Switching Incentives (CRS provider), MHHS REC legal text, MPAN/UPRN linking, multi-rate prepayment meters, prepayment unallocated process and Address Management. Look out for further information if you have an interest in these topics.

Please send us feedback on the roadmap, e.g. if your priorities are not sufficiently represented in the change pipeline, or if you would like to see other information included on the roadmap.

The Code Roadmap is published in the Digital Navigator and refreshed approximately fortnightly. Click here to view the roadmap.

Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement Update

Reminder Impact Assessment: Change Request (CR050), responses due by 29 May 2024

Change Request CR050: Amendments to the MHHS Change Control Approach and Form was issued for Impact Assessment on 14 May 2024. and the deadline for responses is 17:00 on **29 May 2024**. To provide your feedback and Impact Assessment on this Change Request, please complete the CR050 form and email it to PMO@mhhsprogramme.co.uk.

The MHHS Programme also held a Change Control Webinar on CR050 on 13 May 2024. For further information, and to access the webinar materials, click here.

Preliminary Change Reports

The Preliminary Change Report for Change Proposal R0113 - Data Specification Updates and Clarifications has been published on the REC Portal. In line with its Change Proposal Plan, it will now proceed to Consultation.

The Preliminary Change Report for Change Proposal R0164 - Removing the Enumerations from Communications Method Data Item (J0386) to align with BSC CP 1594 has been published on the REC Portal. In line with its Change Proposal Plan, it will now proceed to Consultation.

Final Change Report

The Final Change Report for R0160 – Electricity Supply to Hydrogen Electrolysers has now been published on the REC Portal.

If you have any comments on the Final Change Report, please provide these via the Change Proposal Page by **23:59** on **31 May 2024**.

REC Change Issues Group

We are pleased to announce the formation of the REC Change Issues Group. The first meeting is being held on **06 June 2024** (10:00-12:00).

The Change Issues Group is a new forum being established by the REC Code Manager. The group will be one of the places where the Code Manager can discuss REC Change Issues and REC Change Proposals.

This group will input into REC Change Issues including developing solutions or issue resolution which may progress either into a REC Change Proposal or be resolved through other means such as updated or new guidance. The Change Issues Group will support the Code Manager activity by sharing knowledge, best practice, advice and giving stakeholders an engagement route into the REC Change process.

All REC Parties and interested non-REC Parties are invited to attend meetings of the Change Issues Group. To confirm your attendance please email enquiries@recmanager.co.uk and the invite will be sent to you.

The meeting agenda will be published five Working Days in advance of the Change Issues Group. The full Terms of Reference (ToR) for the group are here.

If you have any questions about the Change Issue Group, please contact the Code Manager by emailing enquiries@recmanager.co.uk.

New REC Change Issues Raised

The following REC Change Issues have been raised:

- [I0173 - Improvements to the Theft Detection Incentive Scheme (TDIS)](#)

- [I0174 - Mandating ETTOS follow up](#)

- [I0175 - Introducing a Reasonable Endeavours Scheme within the REC](#)

- [I0176 - Creation of an Energy Theft Detection and Resolution Body](#)

These will now go through a period of assessment with the Code Manager to explore the issue and determine the next steps. There is no further action required from you at this time.

Category 3 Change Proposals

The following Category 3 Change Proposals have been implemented today, 24 May 2024:

- [C3-0081 - Data Access Request Tenants Save Money](#)

- [C3-0082 - Updates to STIR Guidance](#)

Contacting the Code Manager

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,](#) or use the [CSI feedback form.](#)

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