Archive: Weekly Change Bulletin (07 June 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.

New Change Improvements Webinar

Following on from our previous webinar held on 04 October 2023 we have been working hard on the Change process improvements. We are hosting a webinar on **20 June 2024** (10:00 - 11:30) to share the new improved Change process.

This webinar will update REC Parties and stakeholders on what to expect from the REC Change process and when the process will be implemented. These changes will reduce the length of time a change takes to progress, transparency of change progression, prioritisation, increasing engagement from stakeholders and using industry experts to produce the right outcomes.

Register for the event here or by emailing enquiries@recmanager.co.uk.

Creating user permissions for new SDEP Process Types

As part of the implementation of Change Proposal R0121 - SDEP Review Improvements (1) - Process Types in August 2024, we are running a one-off exercise to update the permissions of new/existing users of the Secure Data Exchange Portal (SDEP) for the new Process Types (use cases). All registered SDEP Master Administrative Users (MAU) are being contacted directly in the next few days and offered the opportunity to provide user details by close of play on **08 July 2024**.

We are providing a template to populate with details of users you wish to assign access permissions for the new Process Types. If you don't wish to participate, you will be able to register the relevant users after the August release, via the usual process in the SDEP.

We are also providing supporting information about the Process Types to help you determine which team members you wish to assign permissions to.

If you have any questions about this permissions exercise or about R0121 more generally, please contact enquiries@recmanager.co.uk.

R0160 Authority Referral

On 04 June 2024, the REC Change Panel voted to recommend that the Authority approve R0160 – Electricity Supply to Hydrogen Electrolysers for implementation on 28 June 2024, if Authority Approval is received prior to 18 June 2024, or, the next available REC release following Authority Approval.

In accordance with Paragraphs 21.1 (a) and 21.2 of Schedule 5 to the REC, the decision on this Change Proposals is to be determined by the Authority, following the recommendation from the Change Panel.

The updated Final Change Report has been published on the Change Proposal page on the REC Portal and has now been referred to the Authority to make their determination.

If you have any questions, please contact enquiries@recmanager.co.uk.

REC Issues Group (RIG)

The June REC Issues Group (RIG) will be held on **14 June 2024.** The Change Team will be discussing the following:

- R0169 – Introduction of End of Gate Closure Notifications

If you would like to attend the RIG, please contact us at enquiries@recmanager.co.uk.

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		
[R0119 - Annulment Definition](#)	All REC Parties	N/A	N/A	31 May	21 June
[C3-0084 - Energy Consultants Data Access Request](#)	All REC Parties	N/A	N/A	31 May	14 June
[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
[R0113 – Data Specification Updates and Clarifications](#)	All REC Parties	Several – detailed inside Preliminary Change Report	All REC Parties	23 May	05 July
[R0146 - Data Specification Update for Refresh Functionality](#)	CSS, GRDA	Market Message Catalogue – admin only	CSS, GRDA	16 May	10 June

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.

Initial Assessment Reports

On 07 June 2024, the Initial Assessment Reports and accompanying Change Proposal Plan for the following Change Proposals were published on the REC Portal. The table below summarises the areas of impact that the Code Manager anticipates will result from the Change Proposal.

Change Proposal	Consumers	REC Parties/Market Participants	REC Products	REC Services
R0060 - ERDS Service Definition timezone correction	N/A	DNOs	ERDS Service Definition	Electricity Retail Data Service
R0170 - Withdrawal of Service Termination Issue Reporting Guidance (STIRG) from REC Governance	N/A	DNOs, Electricity MEMs, Energy Suppliers	Schedule 1 – Interpretations and Definitions, Metering Expert Panel Terms of Reference	N/A

If you have any comments on the Initial Assessment Report, please provide these via the Change Proposal page (using the 'Add Comments' button) by **23:59 on 14 June 2024.**

Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement Update

Qualification Assessment Document Portal Walkthrough Webinar: 18 June 2024

The REC and BSC Code Bodies are hosting a Qualification Assessment Document (QAD) Portal Walkthrough Webinar on **18 June 2024** (11:00-12:00). This webinar will demo the Qualification Assessment Document (QAD) Portal that participants will use during Qualification, to ensure that participants are familiar with the functionality of the QAD Portal in preparation for their Qualification.

Please register for the webinar by completing this form by 17:00 on **17 June 2024**.

REMINDER: Ofgem Programme Participant Information Request (PPIR): MHHS Cost Analysis

Ofgem has asked the MHHS Programme to seek information from Programme Participants on the costs of implementing and operating under the new MHHS arrangements. The Programme has issued a PPIR to support this request which closes at 17:00 on **05 July 2024**. For more information, please visit the Ofgem PPIR: Cost Analysis page of the MHHS website. If you have any questions about this PPIR, please email Ofgem at halfhourlysettlement@ofgem.gov.uk.

Electricity Enquiry Service (EES) API

The Market-Wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) design introduces a number of changes to data items that are held within the Electricity Enquiry Service (EES), both the Portal and the API. Required changes to the EES API are detailed in the MHHS version of the [EES API Interface Specification](#) agreed through the MHHS Programme Code Drafting process. These changes will impact **all EES Users**, including those not otherwise impacted by MHHS.

The MHHS version of the EES API will go-live as part of the MHHS Programme Milestone M10, alongside other central system changes. This is currently planned for **07 March 2025.**

Test versions of the updated API will be made available through the following routes:

MHHS Programme Systems Integration Testing (SIT) Testing (SIT Parties only)

A test version of the EES API will be made available in the MHHS SIT A environment from 10 June 2024 to support MHHS SIT Migration. SIT Parties requiring access to this test version of the API should contact the MHHS Programme Testing Team via testing@mhhsprogramme.co.uk.

Supporting Programme UIT Testing (All Parties)

A test version of the EES API will be made available for all EES Users in conjunction with MHHS Programme User Integration Testing (UIT) from 31 October 2024. Organisations requiring access to this test version of the API should contact the EES Service Provider C&C directly via Support@candc-uk.com.

All requests for access should include:

- Company Group Name
- MPID and Role Code (if applicable)
- Individual Contact email address

Final Change Report

The Final Change Report for [R0166 - Removal of the Green Deal Panel](#) 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 **14 June 2024**.

Withdrawn Change Proposal

Change Proposal [R0153 – Catering for Registration Events](#) has been withdrawn

R0153 will be open for adoption for 10 Working Days, after which time it can be fully withdrawn on the REC Portal. If you wish to adopt this Change Proposal, you can do so by emailing the Code Manager at change.management@recmanager.co.uk by 23:59 on **21 June 2024**.

New Change Proposals Raised

The following REC Change Proposals have been raised:

- [R0178 – Improvements to CSS Business Process Logic](#)
- [R0181 - Schedule 14 - Metering Operations Footnote Review](#)

This will now go through an initial assessment by the Code Manager to assess the priority status and score. This will in turn determine the next steps and timeline for the progression of the Change Proposal. There is no action required from you at this time.

New Change Issues Raised

The following REC Change Issues have been raised:

- [I0179 - Proposal for Limiting Queries in EES API Calls (Single API Call With Multiple Queries)](#)
- [I0180 - Clarity on use of on hold for switching issues, including the obligations of CSS Users](#)

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.

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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