

Archive: Weekly Change Bulletin (12 July 2024)

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R0182 - Levelisation Reconciliation Update Webinar

The Code Manager is hosting a R0182 - Levelisation Reconciliation Update Webinar on **25 July 2024** (10:30 - 12:00) in which topic areas such as the data requirements, the R0182 Change Proposal and solution overview will be discussed to help suppliers provide their impact assessment. To learn more information and register your interest, click [here](#).

RECCo's Countdown to MHHS Webinar for all REC Parties

RECCo is hosting a webinar on **18 July 2024** (11:30 – 13:00) that will cover the key consequential changes and activities that all REC Parties need to be aware of in relation to the REC before MHHS goes live in March 2025. For more information and to register your interest click [here](#).

August 2024 REC Release Drop-in Session

The Code Manager is hosting the August 2024 REC Release Drop-in Session on **08 August 2024** (11:00 - 11:45) to provide an overview of the planned changes within the scope the August 2024 (3.12.0) REC Release taking place on **23 August 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.

Request For Information Published

On **11 July 2024** the Code Manager published a Request For Information (RFI) to gather feedback on [I0172 - End-to-End New Connections Process Review to Eliminate Issues Related to New Builds and Similar Situations](#).

This RFI will gather feedback on the new connections process, how market participants interact with this process, and the issues and pain points that arise from this process. The RFI is **Cross-Code**, and as such the REC Code Manager welcomes responses from all market participants, not just REC Parties. Additionally, the Code Manager welcomes responses relating to all aspects of the new connections process, rather than just those new connection issues relating to the REC.

The RFI has been published on the REC Portal under the Party Impact Assessment space, and can be found [here](#).

To respond to the RFI; download and complete the RFI Response Form on the Impact Assessment Page, then click 'Add Response' to upload the completed form. The deadline for responses is **16 August 2024**. Alternatively, please submit your responses directly to change.management@recmanager.co.uk.

Please note: the cut off for responses is 23:59 on the Response Deadline in the bulletin and on the RFI 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.

July Extraordinary Release

The July 2024 Extraordinary REC Release will be implemented next week, on **19 July 2024**. Further information on the Change Proposals that are being implemented as part of this Release are available on the [Release Management page](#) of the REC Portal.

The REC Baseline Statement will also be updated to reflect the new version numbers of the updated products and will be implemented as part of the July 2024 Release.

Changes to the SDEP – New Process Types (beth)

For information for Suppliers and DNOs

Change Proposal [R0121 - SDEP Review Improvements \(1\) - Process Types](#) is introducing new use cases (Process Types) into the Secure Data Exchange Portal (SDEP) on 23 August 2024. The Code Manager has drafted guidance to assist SDEP users with preparing to use the new Process Types, which is being sent to EES MAUs and REC Contract Managers now. This was previously consulted on under [C3-0083 - SDEP User Guide Updates](#) and the new Process Type reference numbers have now been included.

The final version of the SDEP User Guide will be issued with the August release, so if you have any comments or questions on the guidance materials, 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 | | |
| C3-0088 - Data Access Request Housing Associations | All REC Parties | N/A | N/A | 05 July | 19 July |
| C3-0089 - Meter Configuration Table | Electricity MEMs, DNOs and Suppliers | New table added | N/A | 05 July | 26 July |

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| R0177 - Change Smart Meter Installation Consumer Survey Specification survey questions to a REC Category 2 document | Energy Suppliers | N/A | N/A | 05 July | 26 July |
| R0060 - ERDS Service Definition timezone correction | All REC Parties | N/A | N/A | 27 June | 19 July |
| Electric meter point guidance (MHHS Metering Points) | MEMs DNOs | N/A | N/A | 27 June | 19 July |

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](#).

Initial Assessment Report

On 05 July 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 |
|--|-----------|---------------------------------|---|--------------|
| R0182 - Levelisation Reconciliation Electricity Single-rate/Multi-register Split | None | Domestic Suppliers | Schedule 1- Interpretations & Definitions Schedule 31 – Payment Method Levelisation Reconciliation | None |

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 **12 July 2024**.

Impact Assessments

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 | | |
| R0049 - Intellectual Property Rights and Services Data Main Body changes | CSS Users | N/A | N/A | 04 July | 26 July |
| R0105 - Review of ONAGE SLAs | MAMs, Gas Suppliers | MM40013 - ONAGE | MAMs, Gas Suppliers | 04 July | 26 July |
| R0120 - Search GES API using Meter Serial Number | GES Supply Point Switching API Users | N/A | N/A | 28 June | 19 July |

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.

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

Final Change Report

On the 11 July 2024, the Final Change Report for [R0181 - Schedule 14 - Metering Operations Footnote Review](#) was published on the REC Portal.

If you have any comments on the Final Change Report, please provide these via the Change Proposal page (using the 'Add Comments' button) by **23:59 on 18 July 2024**.

This change will be presented to the REC Metering Expert Panel for decision by ex-committee on **19 July 2024**.

MHHS Updates

C3-0089 - Meter Configuration Table (New)

This REC Category 3 Change Proposal has been raised to implement a new meter configuration table to support the MHHS Consequential Change – Standard Settlement Configuration Valid Set, which can be found [here](#).

A consultation on this change is currently open and can be accessed via the Consultation section of this bulletin.

MHHS Data Cleanse: Test Population Activities

As per the **MHHS Data Cleanse Plan** the Distribution Network Operators (DNO), known as LDSOs in the programme, and MEMs are required to work together with other participants to complete certain cleanse activities. A test of this population processes is planned for July 2024, as agreed by the Migration & Cutover Advisory Group (MCAG).

- **Population of ESME ID** - As per **Section 4.1** of the cleanse plan, a bulk upload of ESME ID is required into each Registration Service in **August 2024**. For the test in July, the Data Communications Company (DCC) will extract the ESME ID and corresponding MPANs for each installed Smart Meter within the Smart Metering Inventory and provide a single encrypted file (.csv) to the Programme via SFTP.
- **Population of Meter Location and Number of Displayed Register Digits** - As per **Section 4.2** of the cleanse plan, a bulk upload of Meter Location and bulk population of Number of Displayed Register Digits is required into each Registration Service in **August 2024**. For the tests of these population processes in **July 2024**, all MEMs have been primed to extract the Meter Location, LDSO MPID and corresponding MPAN for each installed Smart Meter within their portfolio, as well as to use current MTDs they hold for SMETS1 meters (Number of Register Digits data item), and to provide a single encrypted file (.csv) to the Programme via SFTP.

Once the extracts are received, the Programme will share (.csv) files with each DNO (by Market Participant Identifier (MPID)) via SFTP on **12 July 2024**. Each DNO will need to check they match their expectations. All DNOs are then required to provide a self-declaration for each to the Operational Readiness team at OpReadiness@mhhsprogramme.co.uk on **18 July 2024**.

You can find further guidance and information in the [MHHS Data Cleanse Plan](#).

NEW! Qualification Documentation Consultations

Qualification Assessment Document (QAD)

Code Bodies have published an uplifted **version 1.2** of the **QAD** for consultation. Comments are due by **17:00** on **19 July 2024**. Version 1.2 of the QAD includes additional information on Non-Functional and Operational Qualification Testing. It also includes updates based on feedback from consultation on version 1.1. To submit a confirmation of review or comments on the QAD, or for more information on this consultation, visit the [Qualification Assessment Document page of the MHHS website](#).

Code Bodies have also published the QAD Q&A document following the webinars that took place in May and June, walking participants through the QAD questions and portal navigation. You can find this Q&A document and the webinar slides and recordings on the [MHHS Webinars & Open Days page of the MHHS website](#).

If you have any questions about this consultation, please email the Code Bodies at MHHSQualification@elexon.co.uk.

Qualification Approach & Plan & Annex 1&2 Consultation

The MHHS Programme and Code Bodies have issued the **Qualification Approach and Plan (QA&P) with two supporting Annexes** for industry consultation following Non-Functional and Operational Testing updates to the Artefacts:

- **Annex 1: Non-Systems Integration Testing (SIT) Licensed Distribution System Operator (LDSO) MHHS Qualification Testing Approach**
- **Annex 2: Non-SIT Supplier & Agent MHHS Qualification Testing Approach**

Comments are due by **17:00** on **19 July 2024**.

The QA&P sets out the purpose of Qualification during the MHHS Programme, and provides the high-level plan and requirements for participants, in relation to the BSC and REC. This document applies to all participants no matter their qualification route. This is the last planned update to the QA&P. To view the QA&P consultation documents and for more information on how to submit comments, visit the [Qualification Approach & Plan page of the MHHS website](#).

If you have any questions about the QA&P or Annex 2, email the Code Bodies at MHHSQualification@elexon.co.uk and qualification@recmanager.co.uk. For questions on LDSO Qualification Testing, please email the MHHS Programme at LDSO_QT@MHHSprogramme.co.uk.

NEW! Programme Participant Information Request (PPIR) in relation to 'Validation of Service Provider Change of Supplier (CoS) Appointment' prior to formal Change Request

The Large Supplier Community have submitted a draft Change Request relating to the CoS and Change of Service Provider (CSP) processes.

As per the Programme's Change Control Process, a Change Request must include a single solution option and Implementation Plan before it is submitted to the Change Board. The Programme has issued a **PPIR** to understand more about the Implementation Plan, and to gauge more information that is critical to providing a complete CR to Change Board. Feedback on this PPIR is due by **17:00** on **22 July 2024**.

You can view the draft Change Request on the [PPIR in relation to 'Validation of Service Provider CoS Appointment' prior to formal Change Request page of the Collaboration Base](#). You can view the **PPIR form** under the Quick Links menu on the Collaboration Base page, where you can confirm alignment to the current Design status, materiality and impact of the draft Change Request, and timeline for the change if the design was to change, noting that the Programme is in a Change Freeze.

If you have any questions about this PPIR, please email PMO@mhhsprogramme.co.uk.

Withdrawn Change Proposal

The following Change Proposal has been withdrawn. A new Change Proposal will be raised if and when the lead code is in a position to progress.

[R0144 - Allowing different Metering Equipment Managers \(MEMs\) to be appointed to import and export metering points.](#)

This Change Proposal will be open for adoption for 10 Working Days, after which time 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 **26 July 2024**.

Category 3 Change Proposal

The following Category 3 Change Proposal has been raised:

[C3-0090 – Data Cleanse Report Guidance](#). These updates will make it easier for Parties to understand the approach to each data cleanse report by grouping the reports into three categories: Sprint, Track and Watching Brief.

This Change Proposal will be implemented on **19 June 2024**. If you have any comments on this Category 3 Change Proposal, please submit them to the Code Manager at enquiries@recmanager.co.uk by **18 June 2024**.

Downloadable Change Register: Your Feedback

The Code Manager is seeking your feedback about how you access the downloadable Change Register on the REC Portal. We are keen to understand what aspects of the downloadable Change Register provide the most value, and whether you have any suggestions for improvement. To provide your feedback [please access our survey](#).

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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