REC Weekly Bulletin (28 March 2024)

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

MEMs DNOs Suppliers	Keep up to date with REC meetings and events with these dates for your diary: • 09 April 2024 - Market Entry Engagement Drop-in Session (Register here) • 10 April 2024 - Metering Expert Panel • 10 April 2024 - Gas Operational Metering Forum • 12 April 2024 - REC Issues Group • 16 April 2024 - REC Change Panel • 16 April 2024 - Introduction to EMAR Webinar (Register here) • 18 April 2024 - Ofgem and RECCo's Consumer Data Collaboration Event • 23 April 2024 - MHHS Open Day (Register here) • 24 April 2024 - Technical Expert Panel • 25 April 2024 - Introduction to REC Webinar (Register here) • 30 April 2024 - Performance Assurance Board

March 2024 REC Release

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The Code elements of the March 2024 (4.0.0) REC Release have been implemented today, 28 March 2024. This Release introduces four changes:

- R0147 – Prepayment Levelisation

- R0154 - Performance Assurance Report Catalogue V5.1

- R0093 - Uplift to CSS Maximum Demand Volumes during MHHS Migration Period

- R0159 - House Keeping Amendment to the PARC

All the updated REC Products can be located on the REC Portal. Updates to EMAR and Digital Navigator will be completed by the end of the day.

The REC Baseline Statement has been updated with the new product version numbers.

For further information on this Release, please visit the Release page. Should you have any questions, please email enquiries@recmanager.co.uk. Alternatively, you can contact your Operational Account Manager.

Introduction to the REC Webinar and Podcast

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The REC Code Manager is hosting an Introduction to the REC Webinar on **25 April 2024** (10:00 - 12:30) to introduce new REC Parties and those who wish to have a refresher to the Code. To view the full list of topics and register your interest, click here.

The Code Manager has also released its latest podcast in which Paul Rocke and Amelia Bray discuss the upcoming Introduction to the REC Webinar. To listen to the full episode and access the transcript, click here.

MEMs DNOs Suppliers	**Introduction to EMAR Webinar**
	The REC Code Manager is hosting an Introduction to the Energy Market Architecture Repository Webinar on **16 April 2024** (10:00 - 10:45) to provide an overview of EMAR including demonstrations of the Digitalised REC and the REC Data Specification in the Digital Navigator. To view the full list of topics and register your interest, click here.

MEMs DNOs Suppliers	**Market Entry Engagement Session**
	The REC Code Manager is hosting a Market Entry Engagement Session on **09 April 2024** (10:00 - 11:00). This event will be an open drop-in session where anyone is welcome to ask questions regarding the general Market Entry process under the REC, or questions specific to their application. To learn more information and register your interest, click here.

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	Earlier this week the Code Manager released new functionality on the 'Overall Score' tab dashboard to provide visibility of each Party's data submission status against the requirements defined in the Performance Assurance Report Catalogue. Further information can be found in the Performance Assurance Dashboard User Guide and on last week's Performance Assurance webinar recording. The REC Code Manager hosted a Performance Assurance Webinar on 21 March 2024 in which topic areas such as Party Performance Methodology, Service Provider Assurance, Theft Targets, and other relevant topics were discussed. To access the recording and slides click here.

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Qualification Approach & Plan (QA&P) Annex 2 Consultation

The Qualification Approach and Plan (QA&P) Annex 2: Non-SIT Supplier & Agent MHHS Qualification Testing Approach has been published for consultation. The document sets out the specific MHHS Qualification Testing requirements, scope, testing framework, objectives, and approach for Non-SIT Suppliers and Agents. This document applies to Non-SIT Suppliers and Agents including new entrant Supplier and Agents who are looking to enter the market before M14.

Comments are due by 17:00 on **05 April 2024**. For more information on this consultation and to submit a confirmation of review or comments on this document, please visit the Qualification Approach & Plan page of the MHHS website.

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

Non-SIT Supplier & Agent Qualification Testing Test Scenarios Consultation

The initial list of Batch 1 Qualification Test Scenarios and Cases for Non-SIT Supplier and Agent Qualification Testing has been published for consultation. Batch 1 contains the core list of Functional Test Scenarios in scope. Analysis is still ongoing to identify any gaps and the output of this analysis plus consultation feedback will inform Batch 2.

For more information on this consultation and to submit a confirmation of review or comments on this document, please visit the Non-SIT Supplier & Agent Qualification Testing Test Scenarios page of the MHHS website. Comments are due by 17:00 on **05 April 2024**. If you have any questions about this consultation, please email the Code Bodies at MHHSQualification@elexon.co.uk.

A walkthrough of the selection approach and next steps took place on 25 March 2024, which walked through how the Test Scenarios and Test Cases were selected and how they'll be used. A recording from the session is available on the Non-SIT Supplier & Agent Qualification Testing Test Scenarios page on the Collaboration Base.

Pre-Qualification Submission

All Non-SIT Suppliers, Agents, and New Entrant DNOs (referred to as LDSOs in the MHHS Programme) Programme Participants are required to provide a Pre-Qualification Submission (PQS**)** for MHHS Qualification. The PQS window opened on 05 February 2024 and final submissions are due by 17:00 on **26 April 2024**.

The submission includes all the information that Code Bodies need to make an informed judgement on a party's readiness and suitability to be allocated to a particular Qualification Wave.

Participants are expected to submit their Pre-Integration Testing (PIT) Approach and Plan as supporting evidence for their PQS submission.

Please note that SIT participants are not expected to submit the PQS for the roles and Market Participant IDs (MPIDs) they are participating with in SIT. The proposed process for the Qualification Assessment Document (QAD) submission for SIT Participants is set out in the Qualification Approach and Plan.

Existing LDSOs participating in Non-SIT LDSO Qualification are not expected to submit the PQS.

The Code Bodies are hosting drop-in sessions for participants who require further support in completing their PQS. The sessions are open to all participants completing the PQS and they will be recorded and published on the Collaboration Base. They will take place on:

- **04 April 2024** (11:00 - 12:00)

- **09 April 2024:** there will be a session at the end of the Qualification Working Group

- **17 April 2024** (14:00 - 15:00)

To receive an invite, please email MHHSQualification@elexon.co.uk

For more information on the PQS and how to submit your information, please visit the Pre-Qualification Submission page of the MHHS website.

If you have any questions about the PQS or Placing Reliance please email MHHSQualification@elexon.co.uk.

REC Assessment Criteria v2.0

The REC Assessment Criteria for MHHS Qualification V2.0 has been uploaded following approval at the Performance Assurance Board meeting on 26 March 2024. To access this document, click here.

For each MHHS requirement, the REC Assessment Criteria for MHHS Qualification sets out whether a REC Party will need to provide PIT evidence, undertake Qualification Testing or provide a response to a Qualification Assessment Document (QAD) question.

This second iteration of the REC Assessment Criteria has been updated to cover MHHS Non-Functional and Migration requirements, aligned with the latest version of the Qualification Approach and Plan and incorporates general housekeeping changes.

Qualification Approach and Plan v2.0 and Qualification Assessment Document v1.0

On 26 March 2024, the Performance Assurance Board approved updates to the Qualification Approach and Plan (QA&P) and the Qualification Assessment Document (QAD). These documents have been jointly developed with Elexon and therefore have been submitted for BSC PAB approval on 28 March 2024. Once approved by BSC PAB, they will be published on the Qualification Approach & Plan page of the MHHS website, and the Qualification Assessment Document page of the MHHS website.

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The following organisations have acceded to the Retail Energy Code in accordance with the REC Main Body Clause 3 and are now Parties to the Code.

Organisation	Company Number	Date Acceded
FieldForce Utility Services Limited	12187194	21/03/2024
Maxima Energy UK Ltd	10327377	21/03/2024

For further detail on REC Party Accessions, please see the REC Party Register.

Event Invitation: Tackling Energy Consumer Issues Through Data

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Ofgem and RECCo are organising a face-to-face Consumer Data collaboration event on **18 April 2024.** The event will bring together people from across the energy industry and beyond, to explore how data and data policy can help them better serve disabled consumers and those with energy affordability challenges.

This is a rare opportunity to spend a full day (09:30 - 17:30) with colleagues from across the industry, and beyond, to help shape the discussion on how we use consumer data for good. If you have expertise in consumer vulnerability, affordability and similar, please take part.

 For more details on the event, or to request your calendar invitation, please email rosalind.timperley@capgemini.com.

REC Committees

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Within the past week, the Code Manager has published the below REC Committees documentation on the REC Portal.

- [Final Minutes](#) have been published following the Performance Assurance Board on **27 February 2024.**

- [Draft Minutes](#) have been published following the REC Change Panel on **19 March 2024**.

- [Headline Report](#) has been published following the Performance Assurance Board on **26 March 2024**.

A meeting of the Gas Operational Metering Forum has been scheduled for **10 April 2024**. If you have not received an invite for the meeting and would like to attend or add anything to the agenda, please email committees@recmanager.co.uk by 03 April 2024.

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