

REC Weekly Bulletin (05 April 2024)

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

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

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April 2024 Extraordinary REC Release

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The April 2024 Extraordinary REC Release will be implemented next week, on 12 April 2024. For further information, the Release Plan is available on the [Release Management page](#) of the REC Portal.

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The Release Plan provides a summary of all the Change Proposals (CPs) that are included in the Release, including a summary of the change, impacted Parties and impacted REC Products. The release plan and other information on future releases can be found [here](#).

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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 April 2024 Release.

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](#).

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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](#).

Introduction to EMAR Webinar

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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](#).

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R0063 Delays

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Following CSS go-live, DNOs were unable to resolve some tickets sent to them by the CSS Provider, as they did not include critical information such as which MPAN the issue related to. The REC Performance Assurance Board (PAB) approved a derogation ([Derogation 10](#)) relating to this, which established a workaround between DNOs and DCC.

[R0063 \(Addition of key information to all Service Now tickets\)](#) was a change raised to enable the critical information to be automatically included within a ticket at the point at which it is created, removing the need for the workaround. This change was scheduled for release on 12 April 2024. Delays in the technical development of this change were raised late to the Code Manager, and subsequently the technical implementation of R0063 will be delayed until 28 June 2024. The change to the REC will still take place as planned on 12 April 2024.

The Code Manager will communicate before this technical change is implemented in June to provide DNOs the information needed, as well as including information on this in release documentation.

The performance of REC Service Providers is governed by the REC PAB, a committee which includes representation from all types of REC Party including DNOs. This committee has taken action to address the performance of DCC, as we acknowledge the significant impact delays like this can have on REC Parties and other users of REC Services.

Information provided to PAB has been included in this [paper](#), and the decisions taken are set out in the [PAB headline report](#).

As this technical change will be delayed, the PAB also extended the derogation for DNOs. We would therefore ask you to continue with the workaround activities that you have in place in relation to these events. The Code Manager will continue to focus on driving up standards of REC Service Provision in its Performance Assurance work to reduce these impacts as much as possible.

If you have any further questions, please contact your OAM or email enquiries@recmanager.co.uk.

Payment Method Levelisation (PML) Reconciliation

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This is a reminder that [R0147 \(Prepayment Levelisation\)](#) went live on 01 April 2024.

All domestic Suppliers are required to submit a snapshot of their Portfolio data from the 1st Calendar day of the Month to their associated SharePoint by the 15th Calendar day of the month. To ensure smooth processing, it's recommended to submit this ahead of the deadline. For submission templates, the Invoice Schedule, and additional information, please visit the [Payment Levelisation Page](#) on the REC Portal.

If you encounter any difficulties accessing your SharePoint folder or any other enquiries, please don't hesitate to contact us at pmlreconciliation@recmanager.co.uk and enquiries@recmanager.co.uk.

Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement Updates

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Consultation Deadline Reminder

The Qualification Approach and Plan (QA&P) Annex 2 Consultation will close on **05 April 2024** at 17:00. 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.

The Batch 1 Qualification Test Scenarios and Cases for Non-SIT Supplier and Agent Qualification Testing Consultation will close on 05 April 2024 at 17:00. 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](#). Batch 2 of the Non-SIT Supplier and Agent Qualification Test Scenarios is due to be published for consultation today, via the MHHS Programme website, with responses due by close on **19 April 2024**. If you have any questions about these consultations, please email the Code Bodies at MHHSQualification@elexon.co.uk.

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. Existing LDSOs participating in Non-SIT LDSO Qualification are also 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. Following the drop-in session that was hosted on 04 April 2024, the PQS Webinar Q&A document, which is available on the [MHHS Webinars & Open Days page of the MHHS website](#), will be updated to support participants with completing their PQS. The next drop-in sessions will take place on:

- **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.

Qualification Approach and Plan v2.0 and Qualification Assessment

Following approval at the Qualification Advisory Group (QAG) and the respective Retail Energy Code (REC) and Balancing & Settlement Code (BSC) Performance Assurance Boards (PAB), updated versions of the following Qualification deliverables have been published on the [Qualification Approach & Plan page of the MHHS website](#) and on [the Qualification Assessment Document page of the MHHS website](#)

- **Qualification Approach & Plan version 2.0**
- **Qualification Approach & Plan: Annex 1 Non-SIT Licensed Distribution System Operator (LDSO) MHHS Qualification Testing Approach version 1.0**
- **Qualification Approach & Plan: Annex 4 Non-Completion of Qualification version 2.0**
- **Qualification Assessment Document version 1.0.**

If you have any questions about **QA&P Annex 1**, please email the **LDSO Qualification team** at LDSO_QT@MHHSprogramme.co.uk If you have any questions about **any of the other documents**, please email the **Code Bodies** at MHHSQualification@elexon.co.uk.

MHHS Open Day

The next MHHS Open Day is on **23 April 2024** in London. There is also a virtual livestream option for participants to join the event. The focus of this Open Day will be on Qualification, Migration and Transition, with the objective of helping participants to understand what is required of them and by when. There will also be opportunities for networking and engagement with different areas of the Programme throughout the day.

Please note that due to capacity constraints, we request that just **one representative** per Programme participant attends in person. Programme and Project Managers are encouraged to join the event given the focus of this Open Day. If you would like to add additional members of your team to the waiting list to attend in person, please email PPC@mhhsprogramme.co.uk with the name and email address of these members and we will allocate any additional spaces to them closer to the event.

You can sign up to the event [here](#), where you will be able to select from the two ticket types; **In-person Attendee** and **Virtual Attendee**. If you have any questions about the Open Day, please email PPC@mhhsprogramme.co.uk.

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The following Parties have withdrawn from the Retail Energy Code in accordance with Schedule 19 Clause 3 and have been removed from the Party Register:

Organisation	Company Number	Date Withdrawn
Dare Power Ltd	13381297	13/03/2024

For further detail on REC Party Accensions and Withdrawals, 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.

- [Draft Minutes](#) have been published following the Performance Assurance Board on **26 March 2024**.
- [Draft Minutes](#) have been published following the Technical Expert Panel on **27 March 2024**.
- [Agenda and Papers](#) have been published ahead of the Metering Expert Panel on **10 April 2024**.
- [Agenda and Papers](#) have been published ahead of the Gas Operational Metering Forum on **10 April 2024**.

A meeting of the Gas Operational Metering Forum is scheduled for 10 April 2024. If you have not received an invite for the meeting and would like to attend, please email committees@recmanager.co.uk.

Contacting the Code Manager

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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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