

REC Weekly Bulletin (19 April 2024)

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

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Keep up to date with REC meetings and events with these dates for your diary:

- 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
- 07 May 2024 - REC Change Panel
- 08 May 2024 - Metering Expert Panel
- 10 May 2024 - REC Issues Group

Introduction to the REC Webinar

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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 a 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

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The REC Code Manager hosted an Introduction to the Energy Market Architecture Repository Webinar on 16 April 2024 to provide an overview of EMAR, including demonstrations of the Digitalised REC and the REC Data Specification in the Digital Navigator. To access the recording and slides click [here](#).

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The Risk Driver Summary tab within the Performance Assurance Dashboard will be updated to improve its layout, simplify the design, and provide more clarity on Risk Driver descriptions. The filter pane will also include additional information. These changes will be live by the end of April. Further details about the Performance Assurance Dashboard can be found in the [Dashboard Wiki](#) on the REC Portal and the [Dashboard User Guide](#).

Performance Assurance Newsletter Survey

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The Code Manager has been trialling a monthly [Performance Assurance Newsletter](#) to help provide better visibility of Performance Assurance work which shares market-wide trends and insights to REC Parties.

We value and welcome any feedback from readers of the Performance Assurance Newsletter, take this short survey [here](#).

Use of the Data Transfer Catalogue for MHHS Systems Integration Testing

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On 22 December 2023, the Data Transfer Catalogue (DTC) was updated in the REC to v13.9 and made available on the REC Portal. This update included test flows and information that is being used for Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) Systems Integration Testing (SIT) Functional and MHHS SIT Migration Testing.

On 18 January 2024, there was an extraordinary release of DTC v13.9 on the DTN, communicated by Electralink.

REC Parties should use the information below to ensure that they do not mistakenly use this test flow data in production:

- The MHHS SIT version of the DTC will be v13.9.
- Changes to the DTC are in line with those made in the MHHS design artefact, [MHHS Artifact DES196](#) mainly consisting of non-structural changes to Data Flows, such as adding new routing for MHHS roles.
- Due to the nature of changes made, two Data Flows (D0303 (MM00240) – [Notification to the MAP of any change to relevant MOP appointments, Supplier registration and Meter Assets.] and D0311 (MM00254) – [Notification of Old Supplier Information]) have received new version numbers (both 002). These versions have been set with a “T” status to deter any production usage. **For the avoidance of doubt, v002 of the D0303 and D0311 should not be used to send production messages.**
- New MHHS Market Roles have been added to the ExternalEntity table, which mirror the wording of [Elexon MDD](#).

- The “NHHDR” role will transition to “Meter Reading Service” upon MHHS go-live, however, references to NHHDR remain unchanged in v13.9 to avoid any impacts on the production catalogue. These will be made prior to go-live (expected March 2025).
- Some Data Flows require Name/Title amendments for MHHS go-live, however, they remain unchanged in v13.9 to avoid any impacts on the production catalogue. These will be made prior to go-live (expected March 2025).
- At a high level, all changes have been detailed in the VersionHistory table.

A further update will be made to the DTC to support MHHS SIT Cycle 2, including SIT Migration Testing. This will include eight new Data Flows to allow the sending of ‘ECS Reports’ over the DTN, as well as any other changes required by the MHHS Programme.

If you have any questions regarding the content of the DTC Catalogue, please contact enquiries@recmanager.co.uk.

Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement Updates

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Approval of MHHS Programme Change Request CR046 to support R0062 – Removal of ERDA meteringPointEnergyFlow change restriction

[Change Request CR046: Enabling Metering Point Energy Flow to be changed more than once](#) was raised to update the MHHS Design to reflect the solution under R0062 which removes the one-time restriction on changes to Energy Direction. R0062 was implemented on 12 April 2024 and the approval of CR046 means the lifting of the restriction will continue under the MHHS arrangements following MHHS go-live.

MHHS Reminders

Code Topic Mop Up 2 Assurance Review: Please visit the [Code Topic Mop Up 2 Page](#) for further information on this assurance review due by 17:00 on **22 April 2024**. If you have any questions about the Code Artefacts, please email the Code team at Code@mhhsprogramme.co.uk.

PQS Submission due by 17:00 on 26 April 2024: Please visit the [Pre-Qualification Submissions Page](#) of the MHHS website for further information. You can view recordings of the drop-in sessions hosted by the Code Bodies and a Q&A document

under the MHHS Webinar: Pre-Qualification Submission: 07 March 2024 section on the [MHHS Webinars & Open Days Page](#).

MHHS Open Day: The MHHS Programme is hosting an Open Day on **23 April 2024**. The focus will be on Qualification, Migration and Transition, with the objective of helping participants to understand what is required of them and by when. You can sign up to the event [here](#). If you have any questions about the Open Day, please email PPC@mhhsprogramme.co.uk.

MHHS Programme consultation on the M10/M11 Cutover Plan Consultation: The Transition and Operational Readiness Working Group are due to issue a consultation on **23 April 2024** on the Cutover Plan for M10 'Central systems ready for migrating MPANs' and M11 'Start of migration'. The consultation will close on **07 May 2024**.

Qualification Assessment Criteria Reminder: The latest Qualification Approach & Plan and its annexes, as well as other Qualification deliverables, are available on the [Qualification Approach & Plan Page](#) of the MHHS website and on [the Qualification Assessment Document page of the MHHS website](#).

CSS Disaster Recovery Testing

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IT disaster recovery testing of the Central Switching Service (CSS) is to be conducted in the Pre-Production test environment, from late April 2024 until early May 2024. Pre-Production is aligned to the Production environment and failover and failback service between the two Azure Regions in pre-production will therefore be representative of what would happen in Production.

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There will be no outage to CSS related to this testing. Pre-production testing will ensure recovery procedures can be rehearsed and validated without impact to service users. Testing will also support further analysis of the potential impacts of synchronisation lags between Azure Regions on data to ensure that future incidents can be responded to efficiently and effectively.

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If you have any questions or queries about the testing, please contact bcdrtteam@smartdcc.co.uk or cssservicedesk@smartdcc.co.uk.

Market Stabilisation Charge

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The settlement process for the Market Stabilisation Charge (MSC) is coming to an end with the final invoices issued on **19 April 2024** and the final payments made to Suppliers on **17 May 2024**. These payments cover eligible switches between 06 March 2024 and 31 March 2024, after which the MSC ceased to be in effect.

Following scheme closure, RECCo will undertake a review of the invoicing process to understand if any further reconciliation is required to maintain the accuracy of the scheme in light of events such as the Major Switching Incident in July 2023. Suppliers will be kept informed if the need for any further corrective invoicing should arise. The process to dispute an individual invoice or credit note remains available in line with [REC Schedule 22](#) should any Suppliers have concerns relating to their own invoices.

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 RE Change Panel on **19 March 2024**.
- [Headline Report](#) has been published following the REC Change Panel on **16 April 2024**.
- [Meeting Notes](#) have been published following the Gas Operational Metering Forum on **10 April 2024**.
- [Draft Minutes](#) have been published following the Metering Expert Panel on **10 April 2024**.
- [Agenda and Papers](#) have been published ahead of the Technical Expert Panel on **24 April 2024**.

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