

CP1544- Category A BSC Signatory or Company Director sign-off required for any EFR plan following escalation

Hello, my name is George Crabtree and I'm the lead analyst for CP1544 - Category A BSC Signatory or Company Director sign-off required for any EFR plan following escalation. In this podcast I'm going to talk you through the background, solution and proposed implementation of the Change Proposal.

At the direction of the Performance Assurance Board, Elexon undertook a project to review the Performance Assurance Framework or the PAF established under the BSC. One of the recommendations of the PAF review project sought to increase senior level engagement with Error and Failure Resolution (EFR) plans in order that issues are resolved more quickly, thus limiting their material impact on Settlement. Specifically it was noted that many EFR plans are repeatedly escalated to the PAB where the Performance Assurance Party (PAP) has failed to meet one or more of the milestones within their EFR plan. Each time a PAP is escalated they are required to update their EFR plan and complete any actions requested by the PAB.

In order to increase the likelihood that once an EFR plan is escalated it is resolved promptly, the PAF review project recommended that a CP be raised. So this CP will amend BSCP538 to require sign off of the revised EFR plan by a Category A BSC Signatory or Company Director within the escalated PAP prior to the updated EFR plan being approved by Elexon.

Once this change is implemented we hope to observe a measurable reduction in the average time taken to close an EFR plan due to increased pressure on senior management to take action on issues that impact on other market participants. Elexon already actively monitors EFR plans and how long they remain open. This is routinely reported to the PAB.

The proposed implementation date will be the 4 November 2021.

You can find more information on the CP1544 webpage which will be updated as the CP progresses. On the webpage you can also find my contact details if you have any questions regarding the Change Proposal.

Thanks for listening.