

CP1521 PODCAST

This is the podcast for CP1521 “BSCP70 Amendments for Interconnector Administrators and Interconnector Error Administrators”. I’m Craig Murray, the Lead Analyst for this Change, and I’m going to quickly run through: the issue CP1521 is looking to address and some of the background surrounding it; the proposed solution; and any associated impacts.

This is still a relatively new format so any and all feedback is welcomed – all the relevant contact details can be found on the CP1521 webpage

Firstly, the issue. Currently, Interconnector Administrators and Interconnector Error Administrators are specifically excluded from the requirement to undergo CVA Qualification Testing. The purpose of this testing, in short, is to ensure that BSC Parties and applicable Party Agents (for example, CVA Meter Operating Agents) have demonstrated that they are able to send and receive the relevant data flows required for accurate Settlement.

As four new Interconnectors are scheduled to go live in the next four years (with a further seven planned) there is a potential Risk to Settlement if the relevant administrators have not demonstrated that they are able to send and receive the necessary Settlement data flows. This has been identified as an impact against Risk 33 in the Settlement Risk Register (the risk that the Interconnector Administrator does not submit, or submits inaccurate, BM Unit Metered Volume data resulting in erroneous Trading Charges).

The Risk to Settlement would be reduced by requiring Interconnector Administrators, and Interconnector Error Administrators, to undergo CVA Qualification Testing – and that is precisely what this CP is proposing

The only bodies expected to be impacted by CP1521 are Interconnector Administrators, Interconnector Error Administrators, ELEXON and ELEXON’s Service Provider. The central implementation costs are expected to be approximately £3,931 and there is a positive impact on BSC Settlement Risks, specifically Risk 033 for the reasons I’ve described.

In terms of progression and implementation, we propose this CP to be implemented on 27 February 2020 as part of the scheduled February 2020 BSC Release. To achieve this, as of today (14 October 2019) the CP has been circulated for a month-long industry consultation. Any responses will be included within the Assessment Report and presented to the relevant committees before a final decision is reached.

Please can I encourage you to respond to the consultation by using the consultation response form on the CP1521 webpage, email BSC Change or even call me directly and provide a verbal response (all the relevant contact details are on the CP1521 webpage)

That brings me to the end of this podcast. Again, any and all feedback is welcomed so do please get in touch using the contact details on the CP1521 webpage, we really do appreciate it.