

P459 Digital Meeting Etiquette

- Welcome to the P459Workgroup meeting 1 – we'll start shortly
- No video please to conserve bandwidth
- Please stay on mute unless you need to talk – use IM if you can't break through
- Talk – pause – talk
- Lots of us are working remotely – be mindful of background noise and connection speeds

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P459 'Allowing different Supplier Agents to be appointed to Import and Export MSIDs'

Meeting 1

23 February 2024

Meeting Agenda

Objectives for this meeting:

- Present the background for this problem and proposed solution
- Discuss a Progression Plan

Agenda Item	Lead
1. Welcome and meeting objectives	Patrick Matthewson (Elexon) - Chair
2. P459 issue and proposed solution	Kit Dixon (Good Energy) - Proposer
3. Review of Terms of Reference	Cecilia Portabales (Elexon) – Lead Analyst
4. Next Steps	Cecilia Portabales
5. Meeting close	Patrick Matthewson



ISSUE AND PROPOSED SOLUTION

Issue

At present Export Suppliers must appoint the same Supplier Agents as the Import Supplier.

Customers can switch their Import Supplier without switching their Export Supplier. This means the only way for Export Suppliers to maintain compliance with the current arrangements, while offering products available to all, would be to secure commercial terms with all Supplier Agents in the marketplace.

There is no obligation for Agents to contract with suppliers. As many have no financial interest in doing so, they will either refuse, or simply insist on prohibitive commercial terms which render any subsequent customer offering unviable.

The consequences of the current arrangements are:

- Many new export products predicated on smart metering will not be able to come to market in a compliant fashion.
- The costs to all billpayers of operating the Feed-in Tariff will remain unnecessarily high as administrators are unable to realise the efficiencies of moving customers from deemed to smart metered export.

Solution

We propose that suppliers be able to appoint a Supplier Agent of their choice to an Export MSID, irrespective of the Supplier Agent appointed to the Import MSID for DCC adopted smart meters.

The workgroup should consider the following in developing the solution:

- The necessary relationship between the appoint Import and Export Agents and their respective responsibilities concerning the meter;
- Any appropriate processes required to facilitate the flow of necessary information between Agents and their Suppliers;
- Data protection considerations, to ensure that in designing a solution, parties are not granted access to data to which they are not entitled.

As detailed in our proposal document, we consider that an appropriate solution could be delivered utilising existing industry arrangements.

Benefits

Implementation of this change will deliver the following benefits:

1. Promote the benefit of Smart Metering by encouraging new and innovative tariffs on the market.
2. Encourage commercial innovation in the microgeneration space from companies other than energy suppliers.
3. Aligns the BSC, REC, SEC and DCUSA conditions to the Ofgem Feed-in Tariff Supplier Guidance terms .
4. Encourages Feed-in Tariff administrators to move customers from deemed to metered payments.
5. Improves the accuracy and settlement of Feed-in Tariff export levelisation payments.
6. Prevents Export Suppliers from inadvertently becoming non-compliant with industry codes.
7. Delivers consistent data protection across DCC roles (i.e. Other User access to export reads).
8. Lowers the cost to suppliers, allowing higher prices for export energy.
9. A lower cost to deliver metered export services, leading to more attractive products and propositions and consequent faster deployment of low carbon micro-generation.



TERMS OF REFERENCE

P459 specific Terms of Reference

ToR	Details
a)	What segments of the market should the solution apply to?
b)	Are there any concerns with multiple parties retrieving data pertaining to the same Meter from DCC?
c)	What is the best way to manage data becoming out of sync (when Meter Technical Details change)?
d)	If Meter Technical Details need to change, how will Export MSID Party Agents be informed?
e)	How will this change impact consumers and the customer experience?
f)	What interactions are there with Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) and how will these best be managed?
g)	What benefits will this change elicit?
h)	What changes, if any, will be required to the Change of Agent (CoA) and Change of Supply (CoS) processes?
i)	Are there any concerns re: Data Protection considerations?

P459 standard Terms of Reference

ToR	Details
j)	How will P459 impact the BSC Settlement Risks?
k)	What changes are needed to BSC documents, systems and processes to support P459 and what are the related costs and lead times? When will any required changes to subsidiary documents be developed and consulted on?
l)	Are there any Alternative Modifications?
m)	Should P459 be progressed as a Self-Governance Modification?
n)	Does P459 better facilitate the Applicable BSC Objectives than the current baseline?
o)	Does P459 impact the EBGL provisions held within the BSC, and if so, what is the impact on the EBGL Objectives?

Impact on BSC Objectives

This proposal has already been assessed via a Sandbox application, where Elexon's assessment against the Applicable BSC Objectives were that it would have positive impacts on BSC Objectives (c) (Promoting effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity) and (d) (Promoting efficiency in the implementation of the balancing and settlement arrangements).

- Objective (c): By removing a barrier to the registration of Export MSIDs for the Settlement of microgeneration, the use of metered Export in the FiT scheme will become a more viable solution for other Suppliers looking to register Export MSIDs for Smart Metering Equipment, thus stimulating competition.
- Objective (d): Removing a barrier to the registration of Export MSIDs will result in more energy being accurately metered and settled as opposed to 'deemed', which will improve Settlement accuracy.

We consider that the impact of the proposal on objectives (a), (b), (e), (f) and (g) would be neutral.



NEXT STEPS

Progression plan

Event	Date
Present IWA to Panel	10 August 2023
Workgroup meeting 1	23 February 2024
Workgroup meeting 2	TBC
Workgroup meeting 3	TBC
Workgroup meeting 4	TBC
Assessment Procedure Consultation	In alignment with REC
Workgroup meeting 5	
Present Assessment Report to Panel	
Report Phase Consultation	
Present Draft Modification Report to Panel	
Issue Final Modification Report to Authority	

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THANK YOU

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