
February 2021 Release Circular

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What is the purpose of this Circular?

This Release Circular sets out the initial scope of February 2021 Release ("the Release").

What will be included in the February 2021 Standalone Release?

The Release includes four approved Change Proposals and two pending Modifications which are awaiting Ofgem approval. These changes will become effective on 25 February 2021.

| Change Ref | Title | System Impact |
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| CP1533 | Mandatory Sending of D0052 for DCC serviced SVA NHH Metering Systems | N/A |
| CP1534 | Introduce Change of Supplier (CoS) – No Meter Process | N/A |
| CP1536 | Use of DTC data flow D0379 for submission of unmetered Half Hourly data | N/A |
| CP1537 | Extending the Timescales for agreeing Technical Assurance of Performance Assurance Parties (TAPAP) Findings Reports | N/A |
| P398 | Increasing access to BSC Data | N/A |
| P414 | Allowing a Party to Withdraw from the BSC and transfer outstanding liabilities to another Party | N/A |

How will the changes affect me?

CP1533 will update clause 3.2.6.50 in [BSCP504 'Non Half Hourly Data Collection for SVA Metering Systems Registered in SMRS'](#) to remove instances of the word "new" in order to make it clear that D0052s (Affirmation of Metering System Settlement Details) shall be sent in all instances. CP1533 will impact **Suppliers and NHH Data Collectors**.

CP1534 will create a new 'Change of Supplier (CoS) No Meter' process within [BSCP502 'Half Hourly Data Collection for SVA Metering Systems Registered in SMRS'](#), [BSCP504 'Non Half Hourly Data Collection for SVA Metering Systems Registered in SMRS'](#) and [BSCP514 'SVA Meter Operations for Metering Systems Registered in SMRS'](#). The new processes will instruct Suppliers, Data Collectors (DCs) and Meter Operator Agents (MOAs) on which dataflows to

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send if there is no Metering Equipment on site. CP1534 will impact **Suppliers, HH Data Collectors, NHH Data Collectors, SVA HH Meter Operator Agents and SVA NHH Meter Operator Agents**.

CP1536 will amend [BSCP520 'Unmetered Supplies Registered in SMRS'](#) to allow Meter Administrators (MAs) to send unmetered Half Hourly (HH) data across the Data Transfer Network (DTN) using the existing Data Transfer Catalogue (DTC) data flow D0379 (Half Hourly Advances UTC). CP1536 will impact **HH Data Collectors and Meter Administrators**.

CP1537 will increase the time allowed to respond to a Technical Assurance of Performance Assurance Parties (TAPAP) findings report from two working days to five working days. CP1537 will impact **Licensed Distribution Systems Operators, Suppliers, CVA Meter Operator Agents, HH Data Aggregators, HH Data Collectors, Meter Administrators, NHH Data Aggregators, NHH Data Collectors and Unmetered Supplies Operators**.

P398 will increase accessibility to data held by Elexon and BSC Agents. It will better align the BSC with the United Kingdom's Industrial Strategy. P398 proposes amending the BSC so that all data is assumed open unless there is a reason otherwise. The Panel (or delegated Sub-Committee) will determine if there is any reason not to make data available. This will be done based on a transparent process of triage and categorisation. In the longer term, we will look at an IT solution to make accessing BSC data even easier than having to make a formal request for release/publication. P398 could potentially impact all **BSC Parties, BSC Party Agents and BSC Agents**.

P414 will allow a BSC Party to withdraw from the Code as soon as practicable after serving a notice of withdrawal provided that all liabilities under the Code are satisfied or transferred to another BSC Party through a transfer of its BSC Party ID to that legal entity. The current requirement for a Party to wait at least 14 months between its last day of trading and being able to withdraw from the Code is inefficient as it can prevent the withdrawing party undertaking administrative tasks, such as dissolving the legal entity. P414 is an administrative change to the withdrawal process and we do not therefore anticipate any impacts on market participants. Parties that wish to withdraw from the BSC may be able to use the new provisions to speed up this process.

Where can I find more information?

For more details related to the Release, please see the [February 2021 BSC Release webpage](#) or contact releases@elexon.co.uk