

CP Progression Paper

'Reflecting BSCP501 timeframes in BSCP520 processes'



Committee

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About This Document

This document provides information on a new Change Proposal (CP) and outlines our proposed progression timetable for this change, including when it will be issued for CP Consultation in the next suitable Change Proposal Circular (CPC) batch.

We are presenting this paper to the Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG) on 2 November 2021 to capture any comments or questions from Committee Members before we issue it for consultation.

There are three parts to this document:

- This is the main document. It provides a summary of the solution, impacts, anticipated costs, and proposed implementation approach, as well as our proposed progression approach for this CP.
- Attachment A contains the CP proposal form.
- Attachments B and C contain the proposed redlined changes to deliver the CP solution.

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1 Summary?

Why change?

[BSCP520 'Unmetered Supplies Registered in SMRS'](#) does not include explicit timeframes for various Supplier obligations. The timeframe for these processes are found in [BSCP501 'Supplier Meter Registration Service'](#). However, as these processes are not reflected in BSCP520, there is a risk of market participants not fully understanding the expected timescales.

Solution

The proposed solution for this CP is to reflect the existing timeframe from BSCP501 section 3.3.1 (Update of SMRS Database by Supplier) in the relevant sections of BSCP520 to provide clarity to market participants.

Impacts and costs

This CP will impact Unmetered Supplies Operators (UMSOs), Suppliers and Supplier Meter Registration Agents (SMRAs).

This CP will impact BSCP520 and BSCP501, with no central system changes required.

The central implementation costs for this CP will be less than £1,000 to implement the relevant document changes.

Implementation

This CP is recommended for implementation on 30 June 2022 as part of the standard June 2022 Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) Release.

2 Why Change?

What is the issue?

BSCP520 does not include timeframes for various Supplier obligations. At present, there is a risk that UMSOs may struggle to gain support and participation in these obligations from Suppliers, as it may not be clear that the BSCP501 timescales should apply to some of the processes in BSCP520.

Background

BSCP520 defines various activities specifically for UMS. Currently, UMSOs are having issues with Suppliers not completing several actions included in BSCP520 as there are no timeframes present for these actions in BSCP520, and it may not be clear to them that the timescales in BSCP501 should apply. The actions include sending a D0205 (Update Registration Details) to Energise or De-Energise a Meter Point Administration Number (MPAN), sending a D0386 (Manage Metering Point Relationships) to remove a related flag from a UMS MPAN as part of the faster switching process and sending a D0205 and a D0386 to disconnect UMS MPANs.

On the other hand, BSCP501 defines activities which enable the Supplier Meter Registration Service (SMRS) to fulfil its different functions. This document contains similar obligations to the ones found in BSCP520 and also includes the specific timeframe; "As soon as possible and in any event within 5 Working Days of (i) the effective date of the change; or (ii) receiving notification that a change is required if this occurs after the effective date of the change" in section 3.3.1. This timeframe can be used for several Supplier actions in BSCP520.

Proposed solution

The proposed solution for this CP is to reflect the timeframe from BSCP501 section 3.3.1 in BSCP520:

- 'As soon as possible and in any event within 5 Working Days of
 - i. the effective date of the change; or
 - ii. receiving notification that a change is required if this occurs after the effective date of the change.'

The sections in BSCP520 that require updating are:

- 3.1 Establishment of a new UMS Inventory – section 3.1.23
- 3.2 Amendment to Inventory – section 3.2.11
- 3.7 Change of Energisation State of an MSID – section 3.7.3
- 3.7 Change of Energisation State of an MSID – section 3.7.9
- 3.8 Disconnection of an MSID – section 3.8.2

Footnotes will also be added to BSCP520 and BSCP501 to create a cross-reference between the documents. This will ensure there is both clarity for market participants in the reflected timescales, and also for future changes to ensure any amendments to either BSCP501 or BSCP520 are reflected between the documentation.

Proposer's rationale

Although market participants can look up the actions found in BSCP501 in BSCP520 to find out the specific timeframes, there is a risk that some Parties may not be aware of this. By reflecting the timeframe from BSCP501 in BSCP520 it will make it clear that these timeframes need to be followed. Further, it adds clarity and improves efficiency, as Parties will only need to refer to one document rather than cross reference between two.

This will allow UMSOs to gain participation in these obligations from Suppliers, as they will now have specific timeframes to refer to in BSCP520.

Prior industry engagement

This Change was presented to the Performance Assurance Board (PAB) at its meeting on [26 August 2021 \(PAB247\)](#) as part of the Technical Assurance of Performance Assurance Parties (TAPAP) report recommendations. PAB members were concerned that adding timescales to BSCP520 would be unnecessary duplication, as the timescales were already outlined in BSCP501. Further, duplicating the timescales between documents risks the documents diverging if timescales were updated in the future.

When this Change was presented to the Unmetered Supplies User Group members (UMSUG) at its meeting on 22 September 2021 (UMSUG133), the members agreed with the PAB's comments regarding the solution. However, the UMSUG did raise the issue that they are having problems with Suppliers carrying out their obligations. The UMSUG noted that Supplier engagements can be disconnected and they can be waiting months for a flag

removal request to be processed, as the Suppliers may be unaware of their responsibilities.

To address the concerns with the solution, Elexon has added footnotes in BSCP501 and BSCP520 to cross-reference the two documents. The footnotes note the intention to align the timeframes to help ensure changes to relevant timeframes in BSCP501 are also made to BSCP520. If there are any future changes, the footnotes clarify to Elexon that the other document must also be updated, and also ensures clarity for market participants in cross-referencing the documentation.

Proposed redlining

The CP proposes to update BSCP520 and BSCP501. The redlining to support this change can be found in Attachments B and C.

4 Impacts and Costs

BSC Party & Party Agent impacts and costs

Elxon does not anticipate any implementation costs to Parties, as the obligations are not changing. This CP is clarifying the timeframes for existing processes.

BSC Party & Party Agent Impacts	
BSC Party/Party Agent	Impact
Suppliers	This Change will provide clarity for Parties about the timeframes for various processes in BSCP520.
SMRAs	
UMSOs	

Central impacts and costs

Central impacts

Central Impacts	
Document Impacts	System Impacts
BSCP520 'Unmetered Suppliers Registered in SMRS' BSCP501 'Supplier Meter Registration Service'	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None

Impact on BSC Settlement Risks

Impact on BSC Settlement Risks
Elxon anticipate no impact on Settlement Risks associated with this change.

Central costs

The central implementation costs for this CP will be less than £1,000 to implement the relevant document changes.

5 Implementation Approach

Recommended Implementation Date

This change is recommended for implementation for 30 June 2022 as part of the standard June 2022 BSC Release. This is the next standard Release that this CP can be scheduled for, to ensure clarity for market participants.

6 Proposed Progression

Progression timetable

The table below outlines the proposed progression plan for the CP:

Progression Timetable	
Event	Date
CP Progression Paper presented to SVG for information	2 November 2021
CP Consultation	8 November 2021 – 3 December 2021
CP Assessment Report presented to SVG for decision	11 January 2022
Proposed Implementation Date	30 June 2022 (June 2022 Release)

CP Consultation questions

We intend to ask the standard CP Consultation questions for the CP. We do not believe any additional questions need to be asked for this CP.

Standard CP Consultation Questions
Do you agree with the CP proposed solution?
Do you agree that the draft redlining delivers the CP proposed solution?
Will the CP impact your organisation?
Will your organisation incur any costs in implementing the CP?
Do you agree with the proposed implementation approach for this CP?

7 Recommendations

We invite you to:

- **NOTE** the proposed progression timetable for the CP; and
- **PROVIDE** any comments or additional questions for inclusion in the CP Consultation.
- **NOTE** that the CP will be presented to:
 - the SVG on 2 November 2021

Appendix 1: Glossary & References

Acronyms

Acronyms used in this document are listed in the table below.

Acronyms	
Acronym	Definition
BSC	Balancing and Settlement Code
CP	Change Proposal
CPC	Change Proposal Circular
MPAN	Meter Point Administration Number
PAB	Performance Assurance Board
SMRA	Supplier Meter Registration Agent
SMRS	Supplier Meter Registration Service
TAPAP	Technical Assurance of Performance Assurance Parties
UMS	Unmetered Supplies
UMSOs	Unmetered Supplies Operators
UMSUG	Unmetered Supplies User Group members

DTC data flows and data items

DTC data flows and data items referenced in this document are listed in the table below.

DTC Data Flows and Data Items	
Number	Name
D0205	Update Registration Details
D0386	Manage Metering Point Relationships

External links

A summary of all hyperlinks used in this document are listed in the table below.

All external documents and URL links listed are correct as of the date of this document.

External Links		
Page(s)	Description	URL
2	BSCP520 'Unmetered Supplies Registered in SMRS'	https://www.elexon.co.uk/csd/bscp520-unmetered-supplies-registered-in-smrs/
2	BSCP501 'Supplier Meter Registration Service'	https://www.elexon.co.uk/csd/bscp501-supplier-meter-registration-service/
4	PAB247 Meeting	https://www.elexon.co.uk/meeting/pab247/

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