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**MEETING NAME** Architecture Working Group

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**Meeting number** 04

**Date of meeting** 24 March 2020

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## 1. Introduction

1.1 ELEXON opened the fourth AWG meeting, which was held via teleconference.

## 2. Updates from other work-streams

### Code Change and Development Group (CCDG)

2.1 ELEXON provided an update from the CCDG, noting that the fourth CCDG meeting was going to be held in two parts, with the first one on the 17<sup>th</sup> March and the second on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April. In the first meeting, they covered:

- Settlement run-off arrangements
- Concerns around switch-load meters
- Exception reporting – some members thought that all data items should be centrally validated, others wish to 'design out' errors such that validation is not necessary.

2.2 It was noted that data flow contents will be discussed in the second meeting, and that some elements of industry standing data that will still be required have already been identified.

### Other Code bodies

2.3 ELEXON and Ofgem met with the other code bodies on 28 February 2020, to review progress with the draft Code Change Matrices. Since then a number of bilateral meetings have been held with the code bodies, including a discussion with MRASCo around which changes will come under the REC, and discussions around data transfer arrangements in the SEC.

## 3. Registration Interfaces

3.1 ELEXON introduced the registration interfaces, noting that some of the more straightforward areas have been filled in, but the work was at a pause while we await more detail from the CCDG.

3.2 The group discussed the scope of the data items being considered, noting that some data items are not essential for settlement, but are needed for broader services. It was noted that the CCDG are creating a log of those data items that are not required for imbalance settlement, but are required for other BSC processes. A number of members suggested that the AWG's aim was to design the minimum specification, which would just contain settlement data, with a view to include further data items later. **Action** on ELEXON to take the question around the scope back to Ofgem and the CCDG.

3.3 There was a view in the group that it was difficult to add detail to the interfaces without a list of the scenarios in which they would be used. It was suggested that the R1 subgroup would help to look at these situations, and that the first meeting of this group would act as a test case for this method.

3.4 It was noted that this would help the CCDG identify what information the AWG required of them. It was also noted that the AWG don't want to receive requirements that aren't achievable, and that closer collaboration could help to mitigate that risk.

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3.5 It was suggested that some of the AWG members attend the CCDG to represent their views. Andy Roberts and Alan Gregory agreed to do this. Note: on request of the CCDG chair, this has been postponed due to the nature of the current legal text discussions.

3.6 The group agreed to establish a risk log to capture that the group has reprioritised to capture requirements. **Action** on ELEXON to create this risk log.

## 4. Solution Architecture Document & Plan

4.1 ELEXON went through the updated solution architecture document, noting that it is available on MS Teams if people wish to comment.

4.2 One member noted continued issues accessing MS Teams, it was agreed that documentation will be shared via email until access is arranged.

## 5. Actions

5.1 01/02 – Action ongoing, documents will be circulated via email where Teams access is proving difficult.

5.2 02/02 – Action ongoing

5.3 02/07 – Action closed – subgroups being trialled to flesh out scenarios for use of interfaces.

5.4 03/01 – Action ongoing

5.5 03/02 – Action closed – TOM documentation circulated to group and reviewed independently.

5.6 03/03 – Action closed – R1 interface subgroup established

5.7 03/04 – Action ongoing

5.8 03/05 – Action ongoing, CCDG are including market segment identifier. AWG to include in security section of interfaces as appropriate.

5.9 03/06 – Action closed – duplicate of 02/07.

5.10 03/07 – Action closed – first draft of SAD produced and circulated for comment.

## 6. AOB

6.1 There was a discussion about holding the meeting via Skype. **Action** on ELEXON to troubleshoot any issues with those that didn't attend.

6.2 It was noted that there was a risk around the COVID-19 outbreak causing further delays to the smart meter rollout. Ofgem noted that at present, there was no plan to relax the timescales for MHHS.

6.3 It was suggested that it would be worthwhile having a checkpoint meeting to discuss the output from the R1 subgroup meeting. It was agreed that this would be held 11-12am on the 7<sup>th</sup> April.

6.4 Ofgem confirmed that they were still working to publish its draft impact assessment as soon as possible. It advised that it has recently published its first edition of Ofgem's new [Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement newsletter](#), and welcomes any feedback on the newsletter content/format.

## 7. Next meeting

7.1 The next AWG meeting will be held on 28 April 2020.