
Updating the Self-Assessment Document for P429

Performance Assurance Board

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Summary **Elxon has identified impacts on the Self-Assessment Document (SAD) as a result of P429 'Switching off Participant-Reported PARMS Serials'. Minor amendments are required to ensure it is reflective of the changes introduced by P429.**

1. Background

- 1.1 [P429 'Switching off Participant-Reported PARMS Serials'](#) was raised by the Panel on the recommendation of the Performance Assurance Board (PAB) on 11 November 2021. The document changes were implemented on 24 February 2022 as part of the February 2022 standard BSC Release, with the system changes to follow by 30 June 2022.
- 1.2 P429 permanently ceased the operation of, and removed the obligations associated with, participant-reported Performance Assurance Reporting and Monitoring System (PARMS) Serials and associated Supplier Charges.
- 1.3 The cost of reporting and processing participant-reported PARMS serials was deemed to be disproportionate to the benefits provided. Evidence suggested the data that was reported was of limited value and has inherent weaknesses. Moreover, there are other tools that can be used to manage the associated Settlement Risks more effectively (e.g. the new Risk Dashboards). Therefore, the PAB, Panel and Ofgem agreed that continued provision of PARMS data by industry participants was not justified.

2. Amendments to the SAD

- 2.1 To give effect to P429, changes were required to several Sections of the BSC and its subsidiary documents. Upon further analysis, Elxon has identified that the SAD also requires amendment to reflect the changes introduced by the Modification. These amendments are:
- a) Deletion of all references to checks relating to compliance with [BSCP533 'PARMS Data Provision, Reporting and Publication of Peer Comparison Data'](#) for Suppliers and BSC Party Agents; and
 - b) Updating reference numbers within the SAD.
- 2.2 These changes are required as Suppliers and Supplier Agents will no longer need to provide data against PARMS Serials, and the remaining provisions of BSCP533 relating to Peer Comparison are not sufficiently material to justify inclusion in the SAD
- 2.3 As the proposed changes are to give effect to a Modification approved by Ofgem, Elxon does not consider it necessary to circulate the updated SAD for industry consultation. Further, the changes are self-evident, not material and do not impact the ability for a party to comply with Code provisions as the requirements no longer exist as a result of P429.
- 2.4 Elxon recommends an implementation date of 30 June 2022 as part of the June 2022 standard BSC Release, in line with the expected system updates for P429.

3. Recommendations

3.1 Elexon recommends that the PAB:

- a) **APPROVE** the amendments to the SAD to reflect the changes introduced by P429;
- b) **APPROVE** an implementation date of 30 June 2022, as part of the June 2022 standard BSC Release; and
- c) **AGREE** that a consultation period is not required.

Attachments

Attachment A – draft redlined changes to the SAD for P429

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