

Minutes

Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG)

Meeting number **246**

Venue **Elexon/Teams**

Date of meeting **3 August 2021 09:30**

Classification **Public**

Attendees and apologies

Attendees

Oliver Meggitt	OLM	Chairman
Paige Binet	PAB	Technical Secretary
Katharine Higby	KAH	Elexon, presenter
Wayne Jenkins	WAJ	Elexon, presenter
Craig Murray	CAM	Elexon, presenter
Christopher Day	CHD	Elexon, presenter
James Townsend	JAT	Elexon, presenter
Mahesh Gogtay	MAG	Elexon, presenter
Lorna Lewin	LOL	Elexon, presenter
George Crabtree	GEC	Elexon, presenter
Nicholas Rubin	NIR	Elexon, presenter
Gareth Evans	GAE	SVG Member
Paul Hart	PAH	DNO Representative
Jonathan Priestley	JOP	SVG Member
John Jones	JOJ	SVG Member
Lee Stone	LES	SVG Member
Ian Hall	IAH	SVG Member
Phil Russell	PHR	SVG Member
Vijay Chikoti	VIC	SVG Member
James Evans	JAE	SVG Member
Tom Edwards	TOE	Panel Sponsor

Apologies

Kevin Woollard	KEW	SVG Member (alternate)
Simon Yeo	PAH	Distribution System Operators Representative (alternate)
Iain Hall	IAH	SVG Member
John Liddell	JOL	SVG Member
Sarah Ross	SAR	Vice Chair

OPEN SESSION – INFORMATION PAPERS

1. Protocol Approval – Morrison Data Services Ltd (MDSL) - (SVG246/02)

1.1 The SVG members raised no comments or questions on this paper.

The SVG:

- a) **NOTED** we issued Morrison Data Services Ltd (MDSL), a Half Hourly Data Collector, with Certificates of Protocol Approval for the EDM1 Mk7* and Mk10* (integral Outstation) Meter types;
- b) **NOTED** we updated the 'CoP Compliance and Protocol Approval' list to include these protocol approvals, under the name of Callisto Data Limited; and
- c) **NOTED** we issued a Newscast article notifying BSC Parties and BSC Party Agents of the protocol approvals.

OPEN SESSION – DECISION PAPERS

2. New CP – 'Switching off participant-reported PARMS Serials (excluding SP04) – Progression Paper – (SVG246/05)

- 2.1 A SVG member questioned whether Elexon will change the title of the CP, if the Service Provider confirms that SP04 can be removed. Elexon confirmed that there would be a title change as the CP has not formally been raised yet.
- 2.2 The SVG:
 - a) **NOTED** the proposed progression timetable for the CP; and
 - b) **PROVIDED** any comments or additional questions for inclusion in the CP Consultation.
 - c) **AGREED** to also remove SP04 (Installation of HH Metering) if doing so does not delay the implementation of this CP, in line with the PAB's recommendation.

3. CP1544 'Category A BSC Signatory or Company Director sign-off required for any EFR plan following escalation' – Assessment Report – (SVG246/03)

- 3.1 A SVG Member questioned if the Performance Assurance Board (PAB)'s recommendation was to completely remove the requirements for the sign off to be from a Category A BSC Signatory or company director, and entirely replace it with the BSCCo Approved EFR Representative. Elexon explained that was the case.
- 3.2 Another SVG Member questioned whether this new solution would make sure all PAPs would be held to the same standard, ensuring fair treatment. Elexon confirmed that this was true and was the same view as the PAB.
- 3.3 An SVG Member questioned if Elexon have obtained a legal view for this updated solution. Elexon responded that they are awaiting a reply from its legal team. Should that response mean any changes to the red lined text presented to the SVG, the updates would be circulated ex-committee for final review and agreement.
- 3.4 An SVG Member questioned the implementation date, specifically whether all Parties will have to have the authorised person in place by that date and whether that was an appropriate timeline. Elexon assured the SVG that the turnaround for this should be very short, highlighting that Elexon's Operational Support Managers (OSMs) will likely have many of these contacts in place already. Therefore, Elexon feels that the timeline is acceptable, especially given that this requirement will exist only for Parties that are already in the escalation process.

The SVG:

- a) **AGREED** the amendments to the proposed redlining for BSCP538 for CP1544 made following the CP Consultation, subject to approval from Elexon's Legal team;
- b) **APPROVED** that CP1544 be sent for a second Industry Consultation; and
- c) **NOTED** the proposed progression timetable for CP1544.

4. CP1545 'Introducing Technical Assurance of Metering (TAM) Central Volume Allocation (CVA) Specific Sample audits – Assessment Report - (SVG246/04)

- 4.1 The SVG had no questions or comments on the paper.

The SVG:

- a) **APPROVED** the proposed changes to BSCP27 for CP1545; and

b) **APPROVED** CP1545 for implementation on 4 November 2021 as part of the November 2021 Release.

5. MDD Change Requests for Version 314 & 315 - (SVG246/01)

- 5.1 A SVG member asked whether this was the last set of MDD TCR updates that they should expect to see. Elexon said that they believed there were more still outstanding, but would confirm via an update ex-committee.

ACTION 44 – Elexon to circulate an update on outstanding MDD TCR changes

- 5.2 An update was also provided by Elexon on the Central Systems updates for the TCR changes. The SVG noted this update .

- 5.3 A SVG Member thanked Elexon for coming back and clarifying the process as asked by the committee in the recent months.

The SVG:

- a) **APPROVED** seven General BAU Change Requests for implementation in MDD 314 with a go-live date of 18 August 2021;
- b) **NOTED** 10 Fast Track Change Requests for implementation in MDD 314 with a go-live date of 18 August 2021;
- c) **APPROVED** the TPDs for use in Settlement for the remainder of the current BSC Year; and
- d) **APPROVED** seven General TCR Change Requests for implementation in MDD 315 with a go-live date of 22 September 2021.

OPEN SESSION – OTHER BUSINESS

6. ADR Risk Update

- 6.1 The update was noted.

7. Actions

- 7.1 The SVG Chair provided an update on **ACTION/06**, noting that the feedback from Elexon was that they understood this issue had been looked at by the Master Registration Agreement (MRA) Issue Resolution Expert Group (IREG) a number of years ago, and that under the Retail Energy Code (REC) changes, this process would sit under the REC. An SVG member commented that they did not believe this to be the case, and the SVG Chair said they would feed that comment back to the Elexon SME. This update will be added to the action log.
- 7.2 The SVG Chair will share an ex-committee update for **ACTION/43**.

8. Panel Update

- 8.1 The update was noted.

9. Minutes from previous meeting

- 9.1 The SVG agreed the minutes from the previous meeting.

10. Any Other Business

- 10.1 A SVG Member raised a query up about Newscast 864. They noted that Newscast stated that CP1543 was part of the November release, however the CP was still only in the consultation stage and not yet approved; they therefore felt Newscast was misleading. The SVG Chair will feedback the concerns to the Change team.

11. Next meeting

- 11.1 The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 7 September 2021.