

## Minutes

### Unmetered Supplies Users Group (UMSUG)

Meeting number **139**

Venue **Elexon / Remote**

Date of meeting **15/03/2023**

Classification **Public**

#### Attendees and apologies

##### Attendees

Adam Jessop	AJ	UMSUG Chair
Loretta Bolah	LB	Elexon/Technical Secretary
Freya Gardner	FG	Elexon
Mica Thomas	MT	Elexon
David Lewis	DL	UMSUG Member
Nicola Dew	ND	UMSUG Member
Andrew Giblin	AG	UMSUG Member
Ryan Parker	RP	UMSUG Member
Sue Kinsella	SK	UMSUG Member
Jack Adams	JA	UMSUG Member
Mark Webber	MW	UMSUG Member
Andrew Eades	AE	UMSUG Member
Alan Marshall	AM	UMSUG Member
Keith Tovee	KT	UMSUG Member
Paul Angus	PA	UMSUG Member

##### Apologies

Nazifa Begum	NB	Elexon
Derek Weaving	DW	Elexon
Donna Townsend	DT	UMSUG Member
Tom Chevalier	TC	UMSUG Member
Elaine Car	EC	UMSUG Member
Amanda Dainty	AD	UMSUG Member
Mark Playdell	MP	UMSUG Member
Tym Huckin	TH	UMSUG Member

### PUBLIC SESSION

## 1. UMS Material Error Monitoring Q4 2022 Report – (UMSUG139/01)

- 1.1 This paper provided the Unmetered Supplies User group (UMSUG) with a view of the latest UMS Material Error monitoring (MEM) data from Q4 2022.
- 1.2 The UMSUG:
  - a) **NOTED** the latest updates to the UMS MEM report.

## 2. UMS Query Log – (UMSUG139/02)

- 2.1 This paper provided details of contentious Unmetered Supplies (UMS) topics that have been addressed by the UMSUG. The aim of the UMS queries log is to understand the details of any contentious applications or topics, the UMSUG's responses and the outcome from Elexon. This can then be used as a knowledge base for both Elexon and the UMSUG for future queries of a similar nature.
- 2.2 The UMSUG:
  - a) **APPROVED** the latest updates to the UMSUG Queries Log.

## 3. OID Updates for Vehicle Activated Signs– (UMSUG139/03)

- 3.1 This paper outlined the red-lining to be implemented to the OID by Elexon following a paper written on behalf of the Association for Road Traffic Safety and Management (ARTSM), which proposed a test methodology for Vehicle Activated Signs (UMSUG138/03).
- 3.2 SK queried the context of the term '*metered*' within the text as it is usually understood that this is associated with equipment connected to a meter. UMSUG members discussed the use of the term and it was clarified that the term referred to equipment connected to a meter. It was decided that the text surrounding this should be refined to eliminate any confusion.  
**ACTION** – Elexon to refine wording in the red-lining and make final amendments to the OID ex committee.
- 3.3 The UMSUG:
  - a) **REVIEWED** the proposed changes; and
  - b) **AGREED** to recommend the changes for implementation in Version 28.0 of the OID, with further amendments to be made.

## 4. GSP Group Latitude/Longitude Review – (UMSUG139/04)

- 4.1 Section 6 of the OID provides supplementary guidance to BSCP520 on PECU Array location and siting. Both BSCP520 and the OID mention the latitude and longitude for the geographical centre of the GSP Group. The purpose of this paper was to consider the appropriateness of the latitude and longitude provided in of the OID – A guide to Unmetered Supplies, subsection 6.1.2.
- 4.2 UMSUG members agreed that they couldn't immediately understand the rationale for some of the positioning of the pins for various GSP groups and acknowledged that some may be down to human error when entering the longitude and latitude into the OID. It was agreed that all GSP groups should be reviewed by engaging with the DNOs of each to confirm the accuracy of each.

**ACTION** – Elexon to engage with all owners of the GSP groups to progress review.

- 4.3 The UMSUG:
  - a) **NOTED** the existence of errors and inconsistency in the latitude and longitude coordinates relating to GSP Group centres in the OID; and
  - b) **AGREED** to review and update where necessary the latitude and longitude values relating to the GSP centres in the OID.

## 5. Default Sub-Meter ID – (UMSUG139/05)

- 5.1 P434 requires all existing NHH unmetered portfolios to trade HH during 2024. This document is seeking to capture the impractical requirement in BSCP520 to 'agree' a Sub-Meter ID given the increase in MPANs due to P434. The approach of defining a default value was agreed in P434 for the Lat/Long values, unless a specific value was agreed. This paper proposed that the same approach be agreed for defaulting Sub-Meter ID.
- 5.2 Elexon noted that they would implement this in line with the v28.0 OID update ex committee.

**ACTION** – Elexon to implement changes alongside updates for red-lining in the OID.

- 5.3 RP highlighted that within the current provisions of BSCP520, MA and UMSO would need to agree on which Equivalent Meter type to use, whether it be Passive or Dynamic meter; However, this would be impractical to agree for every MPAN. UMSUG members agreed that this would need to be considered and discussed prior to BSCP70X and BSCP700 going live in line with MHHS
- 5.4 UMSUG members discussed the timeframes surrounding Milestone 11 and Migration to HH, there was some uncertainty surrounding the timeframes, which Elexon undertook as an action to confirm.

**Action** – Elexon to clarify timeframes on Milestone 11 and migration to HH.

- 5.5 The UMSUG:

**a) NOTED** the existence of a weakness with BSCP520; and

**b) AGREED** to include a Sub-Meter ID defaulting approach in the OID.

## 6. Zero Charge Code – (UMSUG139/06)

- 6.1 The approach of defining a default value “zero charge code” was agreed in a previous UMSUG for festive lighting. The paper proposes to amend the name of the charge code to make it clear when it can be used for any de-energised MPAN, or a Sub-Meter within an MPAN.
- 6.2 SK highlighted that there may be difficulty in applying this approach as those responsible for putting up festive lighting in many areas would not understand the intricacies of this, and therefore this approach may not be practical. UMSUG members discussed how this would be applied and clarified that this shouldn't affect non half hourly councils as they will submit their consumption to the UMSO who will then apply the charge code and update inventories.

**Action** – PDA to draft an update for the v28.0 OID update.

**Action** – Elexon to update the Charge Code Descriptions of live spreadsheets to align with OID update.

- 6.3 The UMSUG:

**a) NOTED** the potential improvement to the OID and Charge Code description; and

**b) AGREED** to include an update the OID and modify the Charge Code description.

## 7. Actions

- 7.1 The UMSUG Chair ran through the updates to the existing UMSUG Actions.

## 8. Any Other Business

- 8.1 AJ noted that Elexon have completed the Code drafting for the new UMS BSCPs in line with MHHS and UMS data services.
- 8.2 DL queried whether amendments had been made to the CMS Test specification document following an email that had been sent with comments on the document. FG confirmed that they had received the comments and are in the process of making the amendments. This will be circulated ex-committee.
- 8.3 DL raised that there are various inconsistencies within some of the live spreadsheets regarding some words and their abbreviation as well as company names. Elexon advised the inconsistencies regarding wording have already been picked up and amended in line with the MDD v333 publish. FG noted they would share a list which can be cross referenced to ensure none were missed. FG also noted that in line with action 138/04 Elexon would add additional checks to the validation checklist to mitigate inconsistencies moving forward.

## **9. Next Meeting**

9.1 The next UMSUG meeting will be held on 21 June 2023.