

CP1455 'Sending revised Meter Technical Details following a change of Meter Operator Agent'



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About This Document

The purpose of this Change Proposal (CP) Consultation for CP1455 is to invite BSC Parties, Party Agents and other interested parties to provide their views on the impacts and the merits of CP1455. The Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG) will then consider the consultation responses before making a decision on whether or not to approve CP1455.

There are four parts to this document:

- This is the main document. It provides details of the solution, impacts, costs, and proposed implementation approach. It also summarises the SVG's initial views on the proposed changes.
- Attachment A contains the CP1455 Proposal Form.
- Attachment B contains the proposed redlined changes to deliver the CP1455 solution.
- Attachment C contains the specific questions on which we seek your views. Please use this form to provide your response to these questions, and to record any further views or comments you wish to be considered.

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1 Why Change?

What are Meter Technical Details?

Meter Technical Details (MTDs) are sets of data relating to the Metering Equipment installed at each customer premise. Each set contains all the technical details (including information such as Outstation channel mappings) needed for a particular Metering System to enable metered data to be collected and correctly interpreted from it. MTDs are maintained by the Meter Operator Agent (MOA) appointed to the Metering System, and are distributed to the relevant Supplier, Non Half Hourly (NHH) Data Collector (DC) and Licensed Distribution System Operator (LDSO).

What is the issue?

[CP1162 'Sending revised Meter Technical Details during a change of Meter Operator Agent'](#) was implemented in June 2007. This introduced the following requirement into [BSC Procedure \(BSCP\) 514 'SVA Meter Operations for Metering System Registered in SMRS'](#) footnote 30:

"Where the current Meter Operator Agent (MOA) has been instructed to send Meter Technical Details (MTDs) to a new MOA, and there is a change to MTDs, the current MOA should send the revised MTDs to the new MOA until such a time as the current MOA is no longer responsible for the MTDs".

In December 2014 the Electricity Data Quality Working Group (as detailed in [Panel 231/07](#)), an ELEXON/Master Registration Agreement (MRA) joint initiative, identified in its [Electricity Data Quality Report](#) that this requirement does not take into account those occurrences where the old MOA:

- has not sent the revised MTDs by the de-appointment date;
- (unknowingly) carries out the Meter exchange after the de-appointment date; or
- becomes aware that a Meter exchange had been carried out but did not update its metering records prior to de-appointment.

The Group believed that the requirement in BSCP514 would benefit from being extended to include these situations.

Proposed solution

[CP1455 'Sending revised Meter Technical Details following a change of Meter Operator Agent'](#) was raised by ELEXON on 14 January 2016.

It proposes to amend the requirement in BSCP514 footnote 30 to state that the current MOA will need to send the revised MTDs to the new MOA when it carries out a Meter exchange after the transfer of the original MTDs. This will make the requirement clearer that any Meter exchange carried out by the old MOA after the MTDs have been sent to the new MOA should result in a revised set of MTDs, notwithstanding the NHHDC's de-appointment date.

Proposer's rationale

This change was originally identified by the Electricity Data Quality Working Group in its 2014 report. It recommended that ELEXON should raise a CP to sharpen the requirement to transfer revised MTDs when a Meter exchange is carried out after the old MOA has transferred the MTDs to the new MOA on a Change of Supplier (CoS). We have therefore raised this CP to progress this recommendation.

CP Consultation Question

Do you agree with the CP1455 proposed solution?

Please provide your rationale.

We invite you to give your views using the response form in Attachment C

Proposed redlining

Attachment B contains the proposed changes to BSCP514 to deliver CP1455.

CP Consultation Question

Do you agree that the draft redlining delivers the CP1455 proposed solution?

If 'No', please provide your rationale.

We invite you to give your views using the response form in Attachment C

3 Impacts and Costs

Central impacts and costs

CP1455 will require changes to BSCP514. No system changes are required and there will be no impact on BSC Agents.

The central implementation costs for CP1455 will be approximately £240 (one ELEXON man day) to implement the relevant document changes.

Central Impacts	
Document Impacts	System Impacts
<ul style="list-style-type: none">BSCP514	<i>None</i>

BSC Party & Party Agent impacts and costs

CP1455 is only expected to impact NHHMOAs. We believe that minor process changes will be required to implement the solution but these will not include system changes. However, we will confirm this through the CP Consultation.

No other BSC Parties or Party Agents are expected to be impacted.

BSC Party & Party Agent Impacts	
BSC Party/Party Agent	Impact
NHHMOAs	Changes will be required to implement the solution.

CP Consultation Questions

Will CP1455 impact your organisation?

If 'Yes', please provide a description of the impact(s) on your organisation and any activities which you will need to undertake between the approval of CP1455 and the CP1455 Implementation Date (including any necessary changes to your systems, documents and processes). Where applicable, please state which of the roles that you operate as will be impacted and any differences in the impacts between each role.

Will your organisation incur any costs in implementing CP1455?

If 'Yes', please provide details of these costs, how they arise and whether they are one-off or on-going costs.

We invite you to give your views using the response form in Attachment C

4 Implementation Approach

Recommended Implementation Date

CP1455 is proposed for implementation on **30 June 2016** as part of the June 2016 BSC Systems Release.

The June 2016 Release is the next available Release that can include this CP.

CP Consultation Question

Do you agree with the proposed implementation approach for CP1455?

Please provide your rationale.

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5 Initial Committee Views

SVG's initial views

The SVG considered CP1455 at its meeting on 2 February 2016 ([SVG180/07](#)).

An SVG Member queried whether the change required any system changes for Parties. We confirmed that the CP does not require Parties to amend their systems as the MTDs can be sent via an email method.

An SVG Member was concerned that if a decision is made by the SVG at its 5 April 2016 meeting, it does not give Parties a lot of time to amend their systems. We advised that, depending on responses received to the CP Consultation, the SVG may choose to amend the Implementation Date if it felt that further time was required for Parties to implement the changes.

The SVG did not ask for any additional questions to be added to the CP Consultation.

Appendix 1: Glossary & References

Acronyms

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

Acronyms	
Acronym	Definition
BSC	Balancing and Settlement Code (<i>industry Code</i>)
BSCP	Balancing and Settlement Code Procedure (<i>Code Subsidiary Document</i>)
CoS	Change of Supplier
CP	Change Proposal
CPC	Change Proposal Circular
DC	Data Collector (<i>Party Agent</i>)
LDSO	Licensed Distribution System Operator (<i>BSC Party</i>)
MOA	Meter Operator Agent (<i>Party Agent</i>)
MRA	Master Registration Agreement (<i>industry Code</i>)
MTD	Meter Technical Details
NHH	Non Half Hourly
SVG	Supplier Volume Allocation Group (<i>Panel Committee</i>)

External links

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2	BSCPs page on the ELEXON website	https://www.elexon.co.uk/bsc-related-documents/related-documents/bscps/
2	Panel 231 page on the ELEXON website	https://www.elexon.co.uk/meeting/bsc-panel-231/
2	Electricity Data Quality Report on the MRASCO website	http://www.mrasco.com/admin/documents/Electricity%20Data%20Quality%20Working%20Group%20Report_v1.0.pdf
3	CP1455 page on the ELEXON website	https://www.elexon.co.uk/change-proposal/cp1455/
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