
Meeting name BSC Panel

Date of meeting 18 October 2001

Paper Title PROPOSED HOUSEKEEPING MODIFICATION

Purpose of Paper For Decision

Synopsis This paper recommends that the BSC Panel raise a Modification Proposal to address the many minor inconsistencies, manifest errors or consequential changes in accordance with Section F2.1.1(d)(iv) of the Code, and to address inefficiencies in accordance with Section C3.8.8 of the Code.

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Under Section F2.1.1(d)(iv) of the Balancing and Settlement Code, ELEXON can recommend a Modification Proposal to the Panel to rectify minor inconsistencies, manifest errors or consequential changes where the Code references are now out of date. In addition, Section C3.8.8 states that ELEXON shall recommend to the Panel a modification to the Code that would better facilitate the Applicable BSC Objective in Condition 7A(3)(d) of the Transmission Licence when such a modification is identified from time to time. The Applicable Objective is to promote efficiency in the implementation and administration of the balancing and settlement arrangements. This proposal is an amalgamation of 35 minor proposals that come under these two main categories.

2. BACKGROUND

2.1 Since Go-live the Modifications Department has been compiling a list of the minor discrepancies and errors in the Code. These have been received from different departments within ELEXON and the changes proposed impact on various BSC Sections. The complete log of proposals was circulated to ELEXON managers in September and subsequently reviewed by ELEXON's legal advisors. Following comments by the legal advisors, several proposals were amended further or withdrawn completely. The final complete log is attached in Annex 1.

2.2 These proposals come under the following categories:

- Manifest Errors: These mistakes are self – evident and include typographical errors.
- Minor inconsistencies: These are inconsistencies within the Code rather than between the Code and other documents;
- Consequential errors: These are parts of the Code referring to periods now in the past, i.e. the Suspension Period;
- Efficiency: These are changes to the Code to avoid the unnecessary costs that would be caused by not implementing the change. These have been limited to inconsequential changes that do not require full consultation.

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- 2.3 The Panel is requested to note that, following legal advice, the proposal endorsed by the Panel to address the inconsistency identified in the ECVNA and MVRNA Authorisation termination process (paper 27/010) was removed from the housekeeping log. The Panel recommended that the proposal be raised on the grounds that the change to systems necessitated by complying with the Code was not required, inefficient as it potentially introduced grounds for disputes, and the requisite systems would cost between £40k-£60k. This was originally added to the 'housekeeping' log but the ELEXON legal advisors subsequently recommended that this element of the suggested proposals required a full consultation. The Panel will now be requested to raise it as a separate Modification Proposal
- 2.4 Two other elements of the housekeeping log have also been removed and will be recommended separately to the Panel as proposed modifications at a later meeting. These are:
- A change to the Code relating to ECVAAs ability to receive notifications from Parties. Currently the Code states that this should be on a 24 hour basis. However, ECVAAs only operates manual processes during normal working hours. This will require a full consultation with Parties.
 - The 'names' as given to the reports in the Section V-1 tables are not accurate names, but a description of what the report contains. A considerable amount of work is required to identify these reports in the Reporting Catalogue, the NETA Data File Catalogue and the relevant BSCP and correctly name them in Section V-1.

3. NEXT STEPS

- 3.1 Because of the inconsequential nature of the changes to the Code that would result from these modifications, it is proposed that the log of proposals be combined into one Modification Proposal. This Proposal would be circulated in accordance with F2.1.10 and would be submitted to the Panel meeting on Nov 15 2001 for further consideration.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 The Panel is invited to:

- **Raise a Code Modification, in accordance with BSC Section F2.1.1(d) and Section C3.8.8 to include all the proposed modifications in the attached log.**

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List of enclosures

Annex 1: Log of proposed modifications