

Change Proposal – BSCP40/02	CP No: 1344 <i>Version No: 1.0</i> <i>(mandatory by BSCCo)</i>
Title <i>(mandatory by originator)</i> New PARMS Serials: Further Amendments to BSCP533 and BSCP533 Appendices	
Description of Problem/Issue <i>(mandatory by originator)</i> <u>Background</u> A review of the Performance Assurance Report and Monitoring System (PARMS) Serials was approved by the Performance Assurance Board (PAB) in September 2008. The review was carried out by a group comprising ELEXON staff and industry experts. The review group concluded that a number of Serials no longer provide meaningful metric data for Settlement Risks. The remaining serials were not considered to fully measure the risks in the Risk Evaluation Register (RER). It was the review group’s opinion that these Serials could be amended to better align them to the key Settlement Risks. The Final Outcome Report that was taken to the PAB provides details of the review group’s findings (PAB105/05). CP1334 ‘New PARMS Serials’ was raised to take forward the outcomes of the review. It introduced 12 new PARMS Serials in order to address the limitations of the current suite of PARMS Serials, identified by the review group. CP1334 was endorsed by the PAB on 29 July 2010 (PAB114/06) and then approved by the Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG) on 03 August 2010 (SVG114/02), with an implementation date of 01 July 2011. Following the approval of CP1334, ELEXON raised and then implemented CP1339 ‘Amendments to BSCP533 ¹ to enable changes to the hosting and operation of the PARMS system’ on 01 November 2010. CP1339 amended many of the processes in BSCP533 and BSCP536 ² to reflect the transfer in August 2010 of the hosting and operation of the PARMS system along with many of the related business process from ELEXON to a BSC Agent (Logica). Consequently, CP1339 had to ensure that the Code Subsidiary Documents (CSDs) distinguished between the processes involving Logica (referred to as PARMS in the CSDs) and the processes involving the Performance Assurance Administrator (PAA), delivered by ELEXON. <u>The Issues</u> <u>CP1334</u> While carrying out the necessary activities to implement CP1334 on 01 July 2011, ELEXON has identified a number of inconsistencies, typographical errors and issues with the wording of the appendices to BSCP533: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• BSCP533 – Appendix A: ‘PARMS Data File Formats’• BSCP533 – Appendix B: ‘PARMS Calculation Guidelines’• BSCP533 – Appendix C ‘PARMS Data File Formats and Calculation Guidelines for Obsolete PARMS Serials’ <u>CP1339</u> Following the implementation of CP1339 on 01 November 2010, ELEXON identified errors in BSCP533 and Appendices where there were incorrect references to ‘PAA’, which should instead be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ‘PARMS’ (where the reference is to the PARMS system or operator); or• ‘BSC Service Desk’. The materiality of this issue regarding form F533/05 is low, as ELEXON has rarely received such forms in the past. Other changes are required to clarify the activities carried out by PARMS or the BSC Service Desk.	

¹ BSCP533 - PARMS Data Provision, Reporting and Publication of Peer Comparison Data

² BSCP536 – Supplier Charges

Proposed Solution (*mandatory by originator*)

CP1344 proposes to address the issues identified in BSCP533 and appendices, identified following the approval of CP1334 and the approval and implementation of CP1339.

CP1344 will amend BSCP533:

1. Section 3.1.2, the sending of the acknowledgement of receipt to the data provider will be changed from PAA to BSC Service Desk.
2. Section 3.1.3 will be created to clarify that PARMS will log the details of the Standing Data.
3. Section 3.3.1 will be amended to change reference to from PAA to PARMS.
4. Section 3.7 will be amended to:
 - a. change references to PAA to PARMS, where it refers to the PARMS system or operator; or
 - b. change references to PAA to BSC Service Desk, who will be the recipient of the F533 form.
 - c. Include new steps and make other amendments to provide clarity on activities carried out by PARMS.
5. Form F533/05 will be amended to replace references to PAA with BSC Service Desk.

CP1344 will also amend BSCP533 Appendix A, B and C to correct the CP1334 and CP1339 redlining errors and clarify inconsistencies following an ELEXON review and discussions with industry participants. Due to the large number of changes to the BSCP533 appendices, a full detailed list of the changes with supporting rationale is in Attachment A.

Note – The proposed redlined changes to the BSCP533 appendices, provided as Attachment C, D and E, have been drafted against versions of the appendices with the approved CP1334 changes accepted into the document. This has been done to prevent any potential confusion between the approved CP1334 changes and the CP1344 redlined changes. You can see the approved CP1334 redlined changes on the CP1334 page of the ELEXON website [here](#).

Justification for Change (*mandatory by originator*)

The inconsistencies, typographical errors and issues with BSCP533 and the BSCP533 appendices give rise to ambiguity and need to be addressed.

The PAB and SVG's intention was that the new PARMS Serials (that CP1334 will introduce) would provide a consistent approach and align better with the key Settlement Risks. The Serials also measure regular processes rather than controls.

As the old serials were considered to be too basic, the SVG and PAB developed the new Serials to improve the data entering Settlement. In order to ensure PARMS data providers interpret and use the Serials correctly, BSCP533 and the appendices must clearly and unambiguously describe the processes and requirements. If they do not correctly reflect the new Serials, there is a risk that data providers may submit incorrect or inconsistent data.

One of the benefits intended by the raising and implementation of CP1339, with the transfer of hosting and operation of the PARMS and business processes to a BSC Agent (Logica), was to significantly reduce the ELEXON effort associated with PARMS processes and allow ELEXON to focus on other BSC activities. This benefit will not be realised until the BSCP captures the revised PARMS processes correctly.

To which section of the Code does the CP relate, and does the CP facilitate the current provisions of the Code? (*mandatory by originator*)

Section S and Z: Correction of the issues identified by CP1344 will ensure there is no ambiguity over the purpose of the new PARMS Serials which in turn will provide better metric data to monitor Suppliers and Supplier Agents performance compared with the existing ones.

Estimated Implementation Costs (mandatory by BSCCo)

Our implementation costs are 14 man days of effort (equating to £3,360). The effort includes applying the proposed changes to BSCP533 and appendices, and updating internal LWIs.

Configurable Items Affected by Proposed Solution(s) (mandatory by originator)

BSCP533 ‘PARMS Data Provision, Reporting and Publication of Peer Comparison Data’
BSCP533 Appendix A ‘PARMS Data Provider File Formats’
BSCP533 Appendix B ‘PARMS Calculation Guidelines’
BSCP533 Appendix C ‘PARMS Data Provider File Formats and Calculation Guidelines for Obsolete PARMS Serials’

Impact on Core Industry Documents or System Operator-Transmission Owner Code (mandatory by originator)

None

Related Changes and/or Projects (mandatory by BSCCo)

Approved CP1334 ‘New PARMS Serials’
Approved and implemented CP1339 ‘Amendments to BSCP533 to enable changes to the hosting and operation of the PARMS system’

Requested Implementation Date (mandatory by originator)

01 July 2011 (delivered as part of June 2011 Release)

Reason:

The changes CP1344 proposes to make require implementation at the same time as CP1334 to ensure providers of PARMS data interpret and use the Serials correctly.

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Description of the changes to BSCP533 Appendix A, B and C with supporting rationale (4 pages)
BSCP533 redlined v0.2 (4 Pages)
BSCP533 Appendix A redlined v0.3 (44 Pages)
BSCP533 Appendix B redlined v0.4 (107 Pages)
BSCP533 Appendix C redlined v0.2 (2 Pages)