

Change Proposal – F40/01

CP No: 1125

Version No: 1.0

Title: Submission of the D0028 'Standing Profile Data Report' over the Data Transfer Network

Description of Problem/Issue *(mandatory by originator)*

ELEXON Circular EL01284 provided details of an issue at the Supplier Volume Allocation Agent (SVA Agent) whereby D0028 Standing Profile Data Reports were unable to be issued via the Data Transfer Network (DTN) to Suppliers and Non-Half Hourly Data Collectors (NHHDCs) for all post BETTA Go Live Settlement Days. The D0028 is generated in the Daily Profile Production (DPP) process and provides details of the standing data used in a particular DPP run. It allows Suppliers and Non-Half Hourly Data Collectors to recreate the output of the run if necessary and is therefore particularly useful should there be any doubt over the output of a particular DPP run and as a check to ensure exactly what data was used in the run.

The issue itself arose as a consequence of an increase in field length of one of the data items in the D0028. The "Report Parameters (GSP Groups)" data item (Data Transfer Catalogue reference J1191) details exactly which GSP Groups have been included in a particular DPP Run. Prior to BETTA Go-Live, this field contained the IDs of the twelve England and Wales GSP Groups, and was a length of 36 characters. Following BETTA Go-Live, the inclusion of the two Scottish GSP Group IDs has increased the length of this field to 42 characters. The Data Transfer Catalogue states that this data item can be a maximum of 39 characters. As such, the post BETTA Go-live D0028s have been correctly rejected by the DTN. The files for all DPP runs have, however, been created and are still available upon request from the SVA Agent Helpdesk and will be emailed to any Supplier or NHHDC requesting them.

Proposed Solution(s) *(mandatory by originator)*

Three options have been proposed to address the issue:

1. Extend the field length of the "Report Parameters (GSP Groups)" data item allowed by the Data Transfer Network from 36 to 42 characters as soon as possible, thereby allowing transmission of the files across the DTN. Whilst this change could be implemented almost immediately on the actual network, it would mean that the Data Transfer Network would be inconsistent with the Data Transfer Catalogue. Transmission of D0028 files could recommence and a DTC Change Request would need to be raised in retrospect to ensure that the Data Transfer Catalogue when next issued (June 2005) was brought into line with the network. For ELEXON to select this option, all Suppliers and NHHDCs should consider the impact of the change on their own systems to ensure that they could handle the changed data item length.
2. Alternatively, the current workaround could be left in place until the next rollout of the DTC in June. The DTC and DTN can then be both amended at the same time, thereby removing any period of inconsistency between the two. In the interim Suppliers and NHHDCs would have to request the file when required from the SVA Agent Helpdesk. This option would also provide further opportunity for a full impact assessment of the change to take place.
3. To date, no Suppliers or NHHDCs have requested D0028 files from the SVA Agent Helpdesk, suggesting that this file may in fact be of little use to participants. Therefore, a third option would be to suppress the production of the D0028 flow and remove the requirement from BSCP508 for the SVA Agent to send the flow (References to the D0028 would also be removed from BSCP504). References to the D0028 would remain in the DTC, the SVA Agent software and the SVA Data Catalogue, so that if Parties wished to receive the D0028 in the future they could raise a Change Proposal to reinstate the flow over the DTN.

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Justification for Change <i>(mandatory by originator)</i> Referring to BSCP504, BSCP508, the SVA Data Catalogue and the Data Transfer Catalogue, NHHDCs and Suppliers can expect to receive the D0028 electronically over the DTN. Following BETTA Go-Live this is not possible and so any NHHDCs or Suppliers who use the D0028 will need to request it from the SVA Agent helpdesk. This requirement is not documented anywhere other than in ELEXON Circular E001284 and so NHHDCs and Suppliers may not be aware of how to request this flow. An emailed submission of this flow may also not be acceptable to NHHDCs and Suppliers who have developed systems to automatically process the D0028s upon receipt over the DTN.	
Configurable Items Potentially Affected by Proposed Solution(s) <i>(optional by Originator)</i> Options 1 and 2 – SVA Data Catalogue only Option 3 – BSCP504 and BSCP508	
Impact on Core Industry Documents <i>(optional by originator)</i> Options 1 and 2 - Data Transfer Catalogue	
Related Changes and/or Projects <i>(mandatory by BSCCo)</i> An MRA DTC CP will be raised if options 1 or 2 are taken forward as the preferred option.	
Requested Implementation Date <i>(mandatory by originator)</i> June 2005 Reason: Next available release	
Agreed Release/Implementation Date <i>(mandatory by BSCCo)</i>	
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