

<b>Change Proposal – BSCP40/02</b>	<b>CP No: CP1493</b> <i>Version No: 1.0</i> <i>(mandatory by BSCCo)</i>
<p><b>Title (mandatory by originator)</b></p> <p>Add a form and associated process steps to BSCP15 for registering Non-Standard BM Unit configurations</p>	
<p><b>Description of Problem/Issue (mandatory by originator)</b></p> <p><a href="#">Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) Section K ‘Classification and Registration of Metering Systems and BM Units’</a> 3.1.2 states that a Balancing Mechanism (BM) Unit must satisfy the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) only one Party is responsible for the Exports and/or Imports;</li> <li>(b) the Exports and/or Imports of electricity from and to the Plant and/or Apparatus comprised in the BM Unit are capable of being controlled independently of the Exports or Imports of electricity from or to any Plant or Apparatus which is not comprised in the BM Unit;</li> <li>(c) the Metered Volumes from the BM Unit’s Plant and Apparatus are submitted separately from any Plant and Apparatus not part of the BM Unit;</li> <li>(d) the BM Unit’s Imports and Exports are not measured by both Central Volume Allocation (CVA) and Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) Metering Systems; and</li> <li>(e) there are no smaller aggregations of the BM Unit’s Plant and Apparatus satisfying (a), (b) and (c).</li> </ul> <p>BM Units that meet these conditions are referred to as standard BM Units. BSC Section K3.1.4 lists a set of configurations of Plant and Apparatus that are considered to be a single BM Unit and are deemed to satisfy the conditions in K3.1.2.</p> <p>BSC Sections K3.1.5 and K3.1.6 allow the Party responsible for registering the BM Unit to apply to the BSC Panel (delegated to the Imbalance Settlement Group (ISG)) for a non-standard BM Unit where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The relevant Plant and Apparatus does not fall into one of the categories in K3.1.4;</li> <li>• The relevant Plant and Apparatus does fall into a category in K3.1.4, but the Party considers a different configuration would satisfy the requirements for BM Units; or</li> <li>• The relevant Plant and Apparatus Exports or Imports at a CVA Boundary Point at which there are other Exports or Imports for which another person is responsible.</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">BSC Procedure (BSCP) 15 ‘BM Unit Registration’</a> section 3.1 currently states that if a Party wishes to apply for a non-standard BM Unit configuration for the relevant Plant and Apparatus, it must write a letter to the BSC Company (BSCCo) (ELEXON). This letter must set out the justification and ‘additional information’ that explains why its proposed non-standard configuration should be agreed. Currently, the BSCP does not detail:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What ‘additional information’ the Party should provide;</li> <li>• What ELEXON then does with that information; or</li> <li>• What the next steps are for progressing the non-standard BM Unit configuration</li> </ul>	

application.

ELEXON is often asked by Parties what information needs to be included in the letter, or if we can provide a sample or template letter. This highlights a lack of clarity in the process, creating the potential for inconsistency and delays in applications.

**Proposed Solution** (mandatory by originator)

We propose to amend BSCP15 in order to:

- Create a new form to be used by Parties when applying for non-standard BM Units;
- Change the existing process steps for non-standard BM Unit registrations, so that they require Parties to complete this application form rather than submit a letter;
- Add extra steps to the registration process, reflecting how ELEXON then progresses the non-standard BM Unit application to the ISG for decision;
- Add definitions of Non-Standard BM Unit and Standard BM Unit; and
- Make a number of housekeeping changes, including re-ordering process steps.

**Justification for Change** (mandatory by originator)

This change will:

- Provide clarity for Parties on the information that the ISG requires when it considers applications for non-standard BM Units; and
- Thereby facilitate consistency in applications and reduce potential for delays caused by ELEXON or the ISG needing to request extra information.

ELEXON's [Review of Metering Dispensations and non-standard BM Units](#), conducted on behalf of the Panel, recommended that this CP be raised. Of the four non-confidential consultation responses we received to the review, three agreed with this recommendation and one had no comment. These are included in the review paper, linked above.

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

BSC Section K 'Classification and Registration of Metering Systems and BM Units'

**Estimated Implementation Costs** (mandatory by BSCCo)

£240 (one ELEXON man day) to implement the necessary BSCP15 changes.

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

BSCP15

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

None

**Related Changes and/or Projects** (mandatory by BSCCo)

The [Review of Metering Dispensations and non-standard BM Units](#) also recommended other changes to the BSC's requirements for non-standard BM Units, to be progressed through separate Modification Proposals. There is no direct dependency between the scope of this CP and these Modifications, which have yet to be raised and are likely to have later Implementation Dates. Progressing this CP now will deliver immediate benefit to Parties, ELEXON and the ISG.

**Requested Implementation Date** (mandatory by originator)

**22 February 2018** as part of the February 2018 Release.

**Reason:**

This is the next available BSC Release that can include this CP.

**Version History** (mandatory by BSCCo)

Version 1.0 of CP1493 was issued on 9 October 2017.

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