

Change Proposal – BSCP40/02	CP No: 1316 Version No: (mandatory by BSCCo)
Title (mandatory by originator) Removal from BSCP536 of obligation to attach a copy of Form 536/01 to BSCCo Bill	
Description of Problem/Issue (mandatory by originator) Background: BSCP536 ‘Supplier Charges’ defines the process of applying Supplier Charges to Suppliers operating under Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA). It describes the key interfaces and timetable responsibilities for Suppliers, Supplier Volume Allocation Agent (SVAA), the Performance Assurance Administrator (PAA) and BSCCo Finance. Supplier Charges ¹ are costs that Suppliers incur if they fail to meet certain performance levels. They are used for compensating Parties who have been disadvantaged by those who are not meeting defined Standards. Why the need for Change? The Supplier Charges form 536/01 within BSCP536 section 4.12.1 places an obligation on ELEXON to send two copies of the form to Parties. We send the first copy electronically to a nominated Supplier Charges contact, and attach the second copy to the BSCCo Bill, which is sent via post each month. Following a recent upgrade to our financial systems, the obligation for ELEXON to attach the second copy of the Supplier Charges form to the BSCCo Bill has become unnecessary. This is because the information presented on the Supplier Charges form is now reflected on the Supplier Charges Summary sheet that is submitted to Parties as part of the BSCCo Bill. If we continue to attach the second copy of the Supplier Charges form to the BSCCo Bill, we would be duplicating data and not adding any additional benefit to Parties. How does this impact you? We do not believe that CP1316 will have a major impact on BSC Parties because: • we have already highlighted the procedural change to BSC Parties² and no issues were raised; • the information included within the Supplier Charges form is still reflected on the Supplier Charge Summary sheet, which ELEXON submits to Parties on a monthly basis.	
Proposed Solution (mandatory by originator) Currently, the wording at the top of the Supplier Charges form says: “Trading Party Summary Receipts – one copy to be sent with Supplier Summary Trading Report & Supplier Trading Reports, second copy to be attached to BSCCo Bill.” We propose that this be amended to say:	

¹ The Performance Assurance Reporting and Monitoring System (PARMS) software calculates the Supplier Charges due each calendar month. For further information please refer to our Supplier Charges web page: [Supplier Charges](#).

² We informed Parties of this change as part of the August 2009 ‘ELEXON invoices to BSC Parties memorandum’ on the 31 July 2009.

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Note: Although we are removing the requirement for ELEXON to attach a second copy of the Supplier Charges form to the BSCCo Bill, we are not suggesting that we remove the obligation for ELEXON to provide this information to Parties as part of the BSCCo Bill. This obligation will remain within sections 3.1.6 and section 4.7 of BSCP536.

Justification for Change *(mandatory by originator)*

The current Supplier Charges form shows both charges and credits by parties as positive numbers. The net position for the month is shown as a negative number if a party is being charged and as a positive number if the party is receiving a credit.

The convention for presenting charges and credits on the BSCCo invoice is positive for a charge and negative for a credit. Sheet F (Supplier Charge Summary), which is now included as part of the supporting documentation, ensures that the Supplier Charges information is presented in a consistent format with the BSCCo bill and in addition provides a full year history of Supplier Charges per party.

The implementation of Sheet F reduces manual handling of information³, increases efficiencies and reduces potential for errors. In addition, the inclusion of this data as part of the supporting information for the BSCCo invoice opens up the opportunity for the introduction of e-billing without incremental cost.

This change removes a superfluous procedure and aligns BSCP536 with actual processes.

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

This CP facilitates Section S-1 ‘Performance Levels and Supplier Charges’ of the Code. The CP facilitates the current provisions of the Code by ensuring that Parties have access to efficient and transparent ‘Supplier Charges’ billing process.

Estimated Implementation Costs *(mandatory by BSCCo)*

The estimated ELEXON implementation cost is 1 man days, which equates to £220.

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

BSCP536 ‘Supplier Charges’

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

N/A

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

N/A

³ We manually sort through all electronic copies of the BSCP536 form, print all of those that do not have zero values, and then attach the forms to the relevant invoice. The new financial system improves on the current procedure by allowing us to follow a more automated and efficient process to provide Supplier Charges information on the BSCCo Bill, saving 1-2 hours effort each month.

Requested Implementation Date (<i>mandatory by originator</i>) June 2010 Reason: Next available release.
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