

<b>Change Proposal – BSCP40/02</b>	CP No: 1238  <i>Version No: 1.0</i> <i>(mandatory by BSCCo)</i>
<b>Title</b> <i>(mandatory by originator)</i> Requirement to mandate compliance testing for Meters and Outstations.	
<b>Description of Problem/Issue</b> <i>(mandatory by originator)</i>  <p>The Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) requires that Registrants shall ensure that their Metering Equipment shall comply with or exceed the requirements of the relevant CoPs (or where no CoP applies, with Schedule 7 of the Electricity Act 1989) or shall be the subject of and comply with a Metering Dispensation (see Section L3.2.1).</p> <p>The question which then arises is how the Registrant can establish that a particular item or type of Metering Equipment is compliant with the requirements of the relevant CoP. The best method of establishing such compliance would be to demonstrate that the processes for compliance set out in BSCP601 have been followed and that a certificate of compliance has been obtained. It should, however, be noted in this regard that there is no requirement in the BSC, any BSCP or any CoP that states that the Registrant must only install Metering Equipment which has a certificate of compliance with the relevant CoP. Therefore not having a certificate of compliance does not necessarily mean the Metering Equipment is not compliant with the relevant CoP, although the Registrant would probably find it difficult to establish compliance without such a certificate. BSCP601 sets out the procedure for Meter Protocol Approval and Compliance Testing. The BSCP is expressly stated as having its purpose as to ensure that Metering Equipment is designed and manufactured to the requirements of the relevant CoP and to define the processes whereby persons can apply for compliance testing in relation to Half Hourly Metering Equipment. It also contains various other requirements relating to Metering Equipment.</p> <p>In order to ensure consistency and clarity it is proposed that amendments be made to the relevant CoPs (being CoPs 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6) to confirm that the method of establishing that the relevant item or type of Metering Equipment complies with the relevant CoPs (and any other relevant Code Subsidiary Documents) is for Parties to demonstrate that the processes set out in BSCP601 for Meter Protocol Approval and Compliance Testing have been complied with and that any other requirements in the CoPs and any relevant Code Subsidiary Document have been met.</p>	
<b>Proposed Solution</b> <i>(mandatory by originator)</i>  It is proposed to include an amendment to the Scope of CoPs 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 stating that for Meters and Outstations, compliance with the CoP shall be evidenced by following the relevant procedures and requirements set out in BSCP601. The red lined changes are provided in the attachments to this Change Proposal.	

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

The Supplier Agent Forum (SAF) raised an issue at its meeting on 3 October 2007 which sought industry views in respect of evidencing of Metering Equipment compliance. ELEXON clarified that, for the reasons given above, utilising the certification process was the best method of establishing compliance but that there was no clear requirement for Parties to demonstrate or evidence compliance with the relevant item or type (as the case may be) of Metering Equipment by showing that the processes in BSCP601 had been followed.

The process for establishing compliance is ambiguous and is particularly so for meter manufacturers seeking to provide new products for Settlement use. Such a change to CoPs 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 will provide clarity in that Meters and Outstations will only be considered compliant if proven in accordance with BSCP 601.

**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 L

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

The estimated ELEXON implementation cost is 0.5 ELEXON Man Days effort, which equates to £110.

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

Codes of Practice 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6

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

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

None

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

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**Reason:**

Next Available Release

**Version History** *(mandatory by BSCCo)*

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Attachments: Yes

CP1238 Attachment A: CoP1 issue 2 v3.0 redlined (1 Page)

CP1238 Attachment B: CoP2 Issue 4 v3.0 redlined (1 Page)

CP1238 Attachment C: CoP3 Issue 5 v5.0 redlined (1 Page)

CP1238 Attachment D: CoP5 Issue 6 v5.0 redlined (1 Page)

CP1238 Attachment E: CoP6 Issue 4 v5.0 redlined (1 Page)