

CP Assessment Report

CP1430 'Clarification to the ECVN/MVRN processes'

ELEXON



Committee

Imbalance Settlement Group

Recommendation

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About This Document

This document is the Change Proposal (CP) Assessment Report for CP1430, which ELEXON will present to the Imbalance Settlement Group (ISG) at its meeting on 21 April 2015. The ISG will consider the proposed solution and the responses received to the CP Consultation before making a decision on whether to approve CP1430.

There are five parts to this document:

- This is the main document. It provides details of the solution, impacts, costs, and proposed implementation approach. It also summarises the ISG's initial views on the proposed changes and the views of respondents to the CP Consultation.
- Attachments A-C contain the proposed redlined changes to deliver the CP1430 solution.
- Attachment D contains the full responses received to the CP Consultation.

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1 Why Change?

About Volume Reallocation Terminations

[Trading Dispute DA618](#) was raised following a Party's unsuccessful attempt to stop a Metered Volume Reallocation Notification (MVRN) reallocating volumes to the Subsidiary Party. The Lead Party submitted a Metered Volume Reallocation Notification Agent (MVRNA) Authorisation Termination Request. They believed this would stop the reallocation, but it only terminated the MVRNA Authorisation between the Lead and Subsidiary Parties, leaving the existing MVRNs in place. The Lead Party subsequently submitted a Volume Notification Nullification Request (VNNR), which terminated the reallocation as originally intended.

There are currently two ways a Party can stop a reallocation. These are to overwrite the MVRN or to submit a VNNR.

There are two ways an MVRN can be overwritten to cease reallocations: either giving it an end date, or setting the reallocation amount to zero. Amending the MVRN is the responsibility of the MVRNA. The VNNR terminates all MVRNs and Energy Contract Volume Notifications (ECVN) between the two stated energy accounts. To successfully submit a VNNR, Parties must have already terminated all MVRNA and Energy Contract Volume Notification Agent (ECVNA) Authorisations.

The two methods are required as MVRN amendments can only be made by the MVRNA (who could be either the lead or subsidiary Party), whereas the MVRNA Authorisation Termination and VNNR can be done by either Party. This eliminates the possibility of a Party acting as MVRNA refusing to amend the MVRN.

What is the issue?

A 'Lessons Learned' exercise was conducted following Trading Dispute DA618. This took account of the views of both BSC Panel Members and Trading Disputes Committee (TDC) Members, and identified numerous instances of unclear advice regarding the termination process within the Code Subsidiary Documents (CSDs). It recommended several changes to clarify the ECVN and MVRN processes set out in [Balancing and Settlement Code Procedure \(BSCP\) 71 'Submission of ECVNs and MVRNs'](#), and to align them better with the Energy Contract Volume Allocation Agent (ECVAA) [Service Description](#) and [User Requirements Specification \(URS\)](#). The BSC Panel endorsed the findings of this 'Work Stream 1' in 2014 ([Panel 228/17](#)).

Proposed solution

CP1430 '[Clarification to the ECVN/MVRN processes](#)' was raised by ELEXON. It proposed to implement the findings of the 'Lessons Learned' exercise by making the following changes:

- Amend BSCP71 to:
 - make it clear that form BSCP71/04 does not terminate existing MVRNs and ask the submitter to acknowledge that they are aware of this;
 - redesign form BSCP71/04 to enhance clarity;
 - document the process to amend a VNNR; and
 - remove the requirement to state the number of Authorisation Termination requests on form BSCP71/04.
- Amend the ECVA Service Description and URS to:
 - clarify that the ECVA only nullifies MVRNs after receiving a valid VNNR, and that the Subsidiary Party can terminate an MVRN Authorisation; and
 - add a requirement in the URS for the ECVA to ensure that the Party has indicated whether there is a VNNR.

Proposer's rationale

ELEXON believes that aligning the stated documents and clarifying the procedures for terminating MVRNs will avoid confusion for Parties wishing to perform this action. As a result, Parties' original intentions will be executed without the need for subsequent requests. This will reduce the possibility of a resulting Trading Dispute.

Proposed redlining

The proposed changes to BSCP71, the ECVA Service Description and the ECVA URS to deliver the CP1430 solution can be found in Attachments A, B, and C respectively.

3 Impacts and Costs

Central impacts and costs

Central impacts

CP1430 will require updates to BSCP71, the ECVAA Service Description and the ECVAA URS. No system changes will be required.

Central Impacts	
Document Impacts	System Impacts
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BSCP71• ECVAA Service Description• ECVAA URS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>None</i>

Central costs

The central implementation costs for CP1430 will be approximately £240 (one ELEXON man day) to implement the necessary document changes.

BSC Party & Party Agent impacts and costs

There are no BSC Party and Party Agent impacts or costs anticipated. Consultation respondents confirmed that they will not be impacted.

4 Implementation Approach

Recommended Implementation Date

The proposed Implementation Date for CP1430 is **5 November 2015** as part of the November 2015 BSC Release, as this is the next available release that this change can be included in.

5 Initial Committee Views

ISG's initial views

ELEXON presented CP1430 to the ISG at its meeting on 24 February 2015 ([ISG166/08](#)).

One ISG Member asked whether there were any discussions around changing the processes following the 'Lessons Learned' exercise. ELEXON advised that the changes that the 'Lessons Learned' exercise recommended are the clarification changes proposed by CP1430, and that no process changes were recommended. The ISG had no other comments.

6 Industry Views

This section summarises the responses received to the CP Consultation. You can find the full responses in Attachment D.

Summary of CP1430 CP Consultation Responses				
Question	Yes	No	Neutral/ No Comment	Other
Do you agree with the CP1430 proposed solution?	5	0	0	0
Do you agree that the draft redlining delivers the intent of CP1430?	5	0	0	0
Will CP1430 impact your organisation?	0	5	0	0
Will your organisation incur any costs in implementing CP1430?	0	5	0	0
Do you agree with the proposed implementation approach for CP1430?	5	0	0	0
Do you have any further comments on CP1430?	0	5	0	0

Comments on CP1430

We received five responses to the industry consultation for CP1430. All respondents agreed with the CP1430 solution, with one respondent commenting that the proposed changes would help to clarify the process.

Comments on the proposed redlining

All respondents agreed the proposed redlining, and no respondents provided any specific comments.

7 Recommendations

We invite you to:

- **APPROVE** the proposed changes to BSCP71, the ECVAA Service Description and the ECVAA User Requirements Specification for CP1430; and
- **APPROVE** CP1430 for implementation on **5 November 2015** as part of the November 2015 Release.

Appendix 1: Glossary & References

Acronyms

Acronyms used in this document are listed in the table below.

Glossary of Defined Terms	
Acronym	Definition
BSC	Balancing and Settlement Code (<i>Industry Code</i>)
BSCP	Balancing and Settlement Code Procedure (<i>Code Subsidiary Document</i>)
CP	Change Proposal
CSD	Code Subsidiary Document
ECVAA	Energy Contract Volume Allocation Agent
ECVN	Energy Contract Volume Notification
ECVNA	Energy Contract Volume Notification Agent
ISG	Imbalance Settlement Group (<i>Panel Committee</i>)
MVRN	Metered Volume Reallocation Notification
MVRNA	Metered Volume Reallocation Notification Agent
TDC	Trading Disputes Committee (<i>Panel Committee</i>)
URS	User Requirements Specification (<i>Code Subsidiary Document</i>)
VNNR	Volume Notification Nullification Request

External links

A summary of all hyperlinks used in this document are listed in the table below.

All external documents and URL links listed are correct as of the date of this document.

External Links		
Page(s)	Description	URL
2	Trading Dispute DA618 Summary document on the BSC Website	https://www.elexon.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/01/DA618_Non-Confidential_Case_Summary.pdf
2	BSCPs page on the BSC Website	https://www.elexon.co.uk/bsc-related-documents/related-documents/bscps/
2	BSC Panel 228 page on the BSC Website	https://www.elexon.co.uk/meeting/bsc-panel-228/
2	Service Descriptions on the BSC Website	https://www.elexon.co.uk/bsc-related-documents/related-documents/service-descriptions/
2	User Requirements Specifications on the BSC Website	https://www.elexon.co.uk/bsc-related-documents/related-documents/user-requirement-specifications/
3	CP1430 page on the BSC Website	https://www.elexon.co.uk/change-proposal/cp1430/
5	ISG166 page on the BSC Website	https://www.elexon.co.uk/meeting/isg-166/