Change Proposal – BSCP40/02

CP No: 1265

Version No: 1.0 (mandatory by BSCCo)

Title (mandatory by originator) Technical Assurance Documentation Changes Following Review

Description of Problem/Issue (mandatory by originator)

From NETA Go-live (March 2001) the BSC Agent role of Technical Assurance Agent (TAA) was performed by Logica. Consequently, the CVA aspects of the TAA service were documented in the same way as other CVA BSC Agent services, i.e. the functional requirements and data interfaces were set out in a User Requirements Specification (URS) and the TAA data interfaces were also included in the NETA Interface Definition and Design (IDD) Part 1 and Part 2 and the CVA Data Catalogue.

In April 2007 the TAA contract was awarded to C & C Group Holdings Ltd ('C & C Group'). ELEXON has reviewed the TAA-related documents and has identified changes required to reflect that C & C Group provides the TAA service, not Logica, and to ensure the current TAA activities and obligations are accurately documented. ELEXON also believes that increased efficiency can be realised by making changes to TAA documentation, as described in this CP.

Changes are therefore proposed to the following documents:

- TAA SVA Service Description;
- TAA CVA Service Description;
- BSCP27 'Technical Assurance of Half Hourly Metering Systems for Settlement Purposes';
- BSCP535 'Technical Assurance'; and
- CVA Data Catalogue and CVA Data Catalogue Annex A.

It is also proposed that the NETA IDD Parts 1 and 2 are updated in line with this CP, to ensure their accuracy following C & C Group taking over the TAA role. Logica have updated the IDD Parts 1 and 2 with proposed changes to deliver the aim of this CP.

Logica produced a TAA URS, which was subsequently removed as a Configurable Item in 2007, so there is currently no TAA URS. There is a URS for each of the other BSC Agents, provided by the BSC Agents, but they are not Code Subsidiary Documents (CSDs) and there is no requirement under the Code that they must exist.

Production of a TAA URS is not proposed as part of this change. Documentation such as BSCP27 and the TAA contract contain details of the requirements placed on the TAA. In addition, operational documentation produced by the TAA service provider contains details of TAA activities and necessary guidance and instructions.

Some minor consequential changes will be required to the CDCA URS and CRA URS due to the changes proposed to the IDD. Note that these changes are not provided as redlined attachments as they relate to Category 2 Configurable items (changes will be drafted during implementation).

Proposed Solution (mandatory by originator)

An operational review of TAA documentation has been conducted. It is proposed that the following documents should be amended as described below. Redlined drafts showing the proposed changes are attached to this CP (except the CDCA and CRA URS changes).

TAA Service Descriptions

Update the provisions of the TAA Service Description (CVA and SVA) to ensure they match new service provided by C & C Group and the obligations of the new service provider contract. Following TAA reprocurement, the TAA role is now consolidated into a single service covering both CVA and SVA; though separate CVA and SVA Service Descriptions will be retained, the consolidation is reflected within the documents.

CVA Data Catalogue

Amend the CVA Data Catalogue and CVA Data Catalogue Annex A to remove all references to the TAA and remove TAA data files from the Data File Index as Logica no longer provides the TAA service.

BSCP27 'Technical Assurance of Half Hourly Metering Systems for Settlement Purposes'

This BSCP will be updated to ensure it accurately reflects the current process. Changes will also be made to enhance the clarity of the documentation of processes in BSCP27.

The TAA Management Tool (TAAMT) is an on-line tool used for communication between participants and the TAA, and allows entry of data via a web portal. Forms in BSCP27 that the TAA no longer uses (because of the availability of the TAAMT system) will be removed. Lists of the data items relating to removed forms will be added to provide participants with certainty regarding submission of data. The TAAMT is not referred to directly in the BSCP, to account for any changes to this on-line TAA resource that would not require CSD changes.

BSCP535 'Technical Assurance'

This BSCP will be updated to ensure it accurately reflects the current process. This will include removal of appendices that are no longer required.

IDD Parts 1 and 2

The IDD documents the interfaces to and from BSC Agent roles fulfilled by Logica. Therefore output flows from the TAA to other participants should be removed now that Logica does not perform the TAA role. It is appropriate to retain any references to the TAA that relate to flows sent to the TAA from Logica BSC Agent roles (e.g. the Central Data Collection Agent (CDCA), the Central Registration Agent (CRA)), such as the CDCA-I016, CDCA-I039 and CRA-I022 flows.

Logica are responsible for updating the IDD in line with the proposed changes. Logica has reviewed the IDD Part 1 and IDD Part 2 and supplied updated drafting showing changes proposed for CP1265.

CDCA URS and CRA URS

CP1265 has some minor consequential impacts on the CDCA and CRA URS documents. Logica would make the necessary minor changes as part of the implementation of CP1265.

Justification for Change (mandatory by originator)

The changes will ensure consistency between all TAA-related documents, the Code and with the service provided by C&C Group. They will also ensure the services Logica are contractually obliged to provide are consistent with all Logica system and guidance documentation.

Additionally, changes are proposed to optimise the effectiveness of TAA documents to increase both their usefulness to the TAA and other participants, and the efficiency of using and amending them.

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

The proposed change relates to Section L of the Code, and does facilitate the current Code provisions by promoting consistency and efficiency in TAA documentation.

Estimated Implementation Costs (mandatory by BSCCo)

ELEXON implementation effort: 4.5 Man Days (equating to £990)

Demand-led service provider implementation cost: £870. (Logica effort to draft the URS changes and implement the URS and IDD document changes)

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

The following configurable items are affected by this CP:

- TAA Service Descriptions (SVA and CVA);
- CVA Data Catalogue and CVA Data Catalogue Annex A;
- BSCP27 'Technical Assurance of Half Hourly Metering Systems for Settlement Purposes';
- BSCP535 'Technical Assurance';
- IDD Parts 1 and 2;
- CDCA URS; and
- CRA URS.

Impact on Core	Industry Docume	nts or System	Operator-Transmission	Owner	Code (mandator	y
by originator)						

No impact.

Related Changes and/or Projects (mandatory by BSCCo)

None.

Requested Implementation Date (mandatory by originator)

June 2009.

Reason:

Next available Release.

Version History (mandatory by BSCCo)

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Attachments: Y/\mathbb{N}^* (delete as appropriate)

Attachment A – SVA_TAA_SD_v5.0_redlined_v0.2 (8 pages)

Attachment B – CVA_TAA_SD_v9.0_redlined_v0.2 (6 pages)

Attachment C – CVA_Data_Catalogue_v17.0_redlined_v0.2 (1 pages)

Attachment D – CVA_Data_Catalogue_Annex_A_v17.0_redlined_v0.2 (11 pages)

Attachment E – BSCP27_v9.0_redlined_v0.2 (49 pages)

Attachment F – BSCP535_v8.0_redlined_v0.2 (12 pages)

Attachment G – IDD_Part_1_v22.0_redlined_v0.2 (75 pages)

Attachment H – IDD_Part_2_v22.0_redlined_v0.2 (64 pages)