

Change Proposal Form (F40/03)

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Title: Inconsistency between the BSC and BSCP535

Description of Problem/Issue

There is an inconsistency which has been identified between the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) and BSCP535 'Technical Assurance'. Currently the BSC states in section J1.4.2(e) that the Performance Assurance Board (PAB) is responsible for "the carrying out of those functions duties and responsibilities accorded to it in... BSCP535". However, in BSCP535 the majority of functions have been assigned to BSCCo, in particular the publication of the results of Technical Assurance (TA) checks conducted on a Supplier Agent to the Supplier Agent's Associated Suppliers. BSCP535 currently implies but does not explicitly state that the PAB can delegate its authority to publish the results of a TA check to associated Suppliers to BSCCo. BSCP535 needs to be amended to include an additional step so that the PAB can delegate all or any part of PAB functions in line with BSC Section J 1.4.2(e) and BSC Section B Annex B-1 3.1 to a Delegated Authority.

This inconsistency was discussed at the February 2004 meeting of the BSC Panel (Panel 72) where it was agreed that a Change Proposal should be raised to rectify the discrepancy.

Proposed Solution(s)

BSCP535 should have the following Sections amended to read as:

- Section 1.2 'main users of the Procedure' should have included as a main user of the Procedure the phrase **Delegated Authority**.
- Section 1.3.2 'Technical Assurance Checks' should be re-worded from "*The TAA conducts the check and records the results on the Check Results form (F535/06). The TAA then provides the Market Participant in question with a copy of the results.*" To "**PAB shall conduct the check and record the results on the Check Results form (F535/06). PAB may delegate such function as it sees fit including without limitation the notification and/or publication of such results.**"
- Section 1.4 'Responsibilities' should be re-worded from "*BSCCo will be responsible for carrying out the role of the Technical Assurance Agent as defined in this BSC Procedure*". To "**The PAB as part of determining the annual Technical Assurance (TA) Scope of Work will delegate the performance of each check and each of the functions associated with the performance of each check to a Delegated Authority**".
- Section 1.9 'Definitions' should be amended to have an entry for Delegated Authority to read "**Delegated Authority – a function carried out by a body approved by PAB**".
- Section 4.4 'Technical Assurance Checks' should be amended from "*On completion of the check the TAA will produce the Check Results (Form F535/06) detailing the results of the check including any non-compliance identified. Following a Technical Assurance check to a Supplier Agent all of the*

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Agent's Associated Suppliers will be informed of the results." To "On completion of the check the PAB or its Delegated Authority shall produce the Check Results (Form F535/06) detailing the results of the check including any non-compliance identified. In accordance with paragraph 1.3.2, following the check, the PAB or its Delegate Authority may notify the results of the check on the Agent in question to its Associated Supplier. Where a specific check incorporates the use of a random sample, Form 535/06 shall confirm this, but will not state which Associated Supplier's MSIDs [Metering System Identifiers] have been sampled. In such circumstances it is the Supplier's responsibility to establish any non-compliance with its Agents. In the event that the Check results are not derived from a random sample of MSIDs but in fact relate to the performance of an Agent's generic functions and processes the PAB may confirm such information to the Associated Suppliers of that Agent."

- BSCP535 will also need to be amended to change all references to the Technical Assurance Agent and TAA to the phrase "Delegated Authority" or PAB as appropriate.

Justification for Change *(mandatory by originator)*

The issue has been discussed by the Panel (72/021) – below is copy from the draft minutes of Panel 72

"Panel Members queried whether the issue of distributing information to Suppliers on Party Agents issues would be addressed. ELEXON reported that this was governed by a BSCP so a Change Proposal was required. This would be raised shortly. The Panel queried the timescales involved in implementation. ELEXON reported that it could be implemented outside the Release timetable if it was just an administrative change to a BSCP. Based on the discussions at the Panel Meeting, it could probably be completed within a 40 day cycle."

Configurable Items Potentially Affected by Proposed Solution(s)

BSCP535 'Technical Assurance'

Impact on Core Industry Documents

None

Related Changes and/or Projects

None

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Requested Implementation Date <i>40 WD after the Change Proposal (CP) has been raised</i> Reason: See justification / Panel discussion	
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