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CHANGE PROPOSAL PLAN

R0026 – WHOLE CURRENT (WC)/CURRENT TRANSFORMER (CT) CERTIFICATES

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CHANGE OVERVIEW

Metering Equipment Managers (MEMs) can currently work on Whole Current (WC) or Current Transformer (CT) meters without having been previously assessed on that metering category. This Change Proposal seeks to develop and implement a solution to address this area of risk.

KEY MILESTONES

	FROM	**TO**
SOLUTION ANALYSIS AND DEVLOPMENT	31/10/2022	13/01/2023
IMPACT ASSESSMENT PERIOD	20/01/2023	24/03/2023
EXTENDED CHANGE PROPOSAL PLAN PRESENTED TO CHANGE PANEL	04/04/2023	04/04/2023

1 RE-BASELINE ACTIVITY

The Change Proposal Plan for R0026 was approved by Members at the REC Change Panel meeting on 19 April 2022, following confirmation that the solution will be impacted by the Metering Code of Practice consolidation work being undertaken by RECCo.

It is necessary to develop the solution for R0026 on a stable baseline, therefore the solution development activity will not be completed until the legal text changes for the Code of Practice consolidation, being progressed through Change Proposal R0047, have been finalised.

The consultation for R0047 is currently open, there is the potential that further legal text changes may be seen following the review of responses.

The solution will impact the new Metering Scheme Auditor, who will be appointed in January 2023 as a result of the Code of Practice consolidation. Impact Assessment activity has been aligned with this appointment date.

Additionally, the deferred solution development activity will enable the impact and/or alignment with Market Wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) qualification activity to be explored and any potential conflicts or synergies identified.

The change in dates is provided in the following table:

	APPROVED DATES		PROPOSED DATES	
	FROM	TO	FROM	TO
SOLUTION ANALYSIS AND DEVLOPMENT	09/09/2022	30/09/2022	**31/10/2022**	**13/01/2023**
SERVICE PROVIDER IMPACT ASSESSMENT PERIOD	07/10/2022	04/11/2022	**20/01/2023**	**17/02/2023**
REC PARTY IMPACT ASSESSMENT PERIOD	11/11/2022	02/12/2022	**03/03/2023**	**24/03/2023**
EXTENDED CHANGE PROPOSAL PLAN PRESENTED TO CHANGE PANEL	11/01/2023	11/01/2023	**04/04/2023**	**04/04/2023**

The priority of this Change Proposal is low; therefore, it is appropriate for the Metering Code of Practice work to be completed prior to a solution for R0026 being defined. As such the Code Manager has made the below amendments to the CPP:

The following sections of this document have been updated to reflect the re-baselined dates:

- 3.2.1 Analysis and Solution Development
- 3.2.2 Impact Assessment
- 3.2.3 Preliminary Assessment
- 3.5.0 Deadline for Alternative Change Proposal Submission

2 SCOPE

2.1 IN SCOPE

This document details the plan for analysis, solution development and assessment for this Change Proposal.

2.2 OUT OF SCOPE

This plan does not define how the Metering Scheme Audits will be completed following the implementation of this Change Proposal.

3 PROJECT STRUCTURE AND ORGANISATION

3.1 POINTS OF CONTACT

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3.2 REQUIRED ACTIVITIES

3.2.1 ANALYSIS AND SOLUTION DEVELOPMENT

Several potential solutions have been identified that would address the Problem Statement.

These solutions impact Performance Assurance processes, therefore, the Lead Analyst will work closely with the Assurance Lead and wider Performance Assurance team to develop these.

Prior to a preferred solution being impact assessed, informal engagement will be held with the REC Metering Expert Panel (RECMEP) to validate any assumptions and identify potential risks.

As part of the solution development activity, the impact and/or alignment with MHHS qualification will be explored. There may be a potential for the problem statement to be addressed through MHHS and consideration will need to be given to the appropriate time and mechanism for implementation of any proposed changes.

3.2.2 IMPACT ASSESSMENT

It is expected that the solution will impact Metering Scheme Auditors, who will be invited to respond to a Service Provider Impact Assessment following its appointment in January 2023, as part of the Code of Practice consolidation. This will enable the new Scheme Auditors to consider any changes required to the service.

REC Parties will be invited to consider the solution during a Party impact assessment (open for a period of 15 Working Days). The REC Party impact assessment will be published after the Service Provider Impact Assessment has been completed, this will enable any impacts to audit

arrangements to be highlighted by the Service Provider and then considered by the REC Parties.

3.2.3 PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT

Currently this plan sets out the activity up to, and including, Impact Assessment. Following the completion of the REC Party and Service Provider impact assessments the plan for preliminary assessment and consultation will be set out for approval by the Change Panel.

3.3 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN

3.3.1 IMPACT ASSESSMENT PLAN

For this Change Proposal REC Party Impact Assessments are required to allow any proposed solution to be appropriately assessed.

A Service Provider impact assessment will be conducted with the Metering Scheme Auditor to establish any additional costs or operational capacity requirements as a result of the solution.

In the Party impact assessment, we wish to capture the views of MEMs on how they are impacted, including views on additional costs or benefits identified as a result of the proposed solution. Additionally, we would welcome Distribution Network Operators (DNOs) views on what benefits or impacts they can identify through additional assurance.

3.3.2 ENGAGEMENT WITH REC COMMITTEES / SUB-COMMITTEES

Through the analysis and solution development phase we propose engagement with the RECMEP for validation of certain outputs and assumptions.

This may include seeking informal views on the proposed solution or solution options. Depending on timelines this may be direct engagement via the RECMEP meetings or remotely via the REC Portal.

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3.4.1 RISKS AND ISSUES

No risks or issues have been identified that would affect the progression of the Change Proposal.

3.4.2 ASSUMPTIONS AND DEPENDENCIES

No assumptions have been identified that would affect the progression of the Change Proposal.

No.	DEPENDENCY	NOTES	STATUS
D1	This Change Proposals progression depends on	The Code Manager will work with RECCo to identify the	Open

	receiving a response to the Impact Assessment conducted for Metering Scheme Auditors.	suitable method and timescales appropriate for Metering Scheme Auditors Impact Assessments.	
D2	This Change Proposals progression depends on the drafting of the legal text for the Metering Code of Practice consolidation being completed.	The Code Manager will monitor the Metering Code of Practice Consolidation progress to begin solution development activity at the appropriate time.	Open

3.5 DEADLINE FOR ALTERNATIVE CHANGE PROPOSALS

SUBMISSION DEADLINE	N/A