

Modification proposal:	<b>Master Registration Agreement (MRA) Change Proposal (CP) 213: 'Remove obsolete references to Balancing and Settlement Code Subsidiary Documentation from the MRA v10.5'</b>		
Decision:	The Authority <sup>1</sup> provides its consent for this change to be made		
Target audience:	MRASCo, Parties to the MRA and other interested parties		
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## Background

The 'functional' and 'non-functional' requirements<sup>2</sup> set out in the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) Party Service Lines (PSL)<sup>3</sup> were separated out in 2007.<sup>4</sup> The functional requirements are now included within the individual party agent BSC Procedure (BSCP)<sup>5</sup> while the non-functional requirements have been placed in a new generic Party Service Line, PSL 100.

## The modification proposal<sup>6</sup>

Due to the changes outlined above several references to BSC Code Subsidiary Documents (CSDs) within the MRA are no longer in use. This is a housekeeping modification that seeks to remove these obsolete references.

## MRA Development Board and MRA Forum

The MRA Development Board (MDB) considered MRA CP 213 at its meeting of 27 March 2014 and voted to accept the changes. No appeals to the MRA Forum were made.

## The Authority's decision

Removing obsolete references in the MRA reduces the possibility of confusion by MRA parties when implementing the MRA. We agree with the MDB's assessment that implementation of MRA CP 213 will better facilitate the requirements of Standard Condition 23 of the Distribution Licence<sup>7</sup> compared to the existing provisions of the MRA. We consider that this change improves efficiency in the MRA arrangements. We consider that consenting to this change is consistent with our principal objective and statutory duties.

<sup>1</sup> The terms 'the Authority', 'Ofgem' and 'we' are used interchangeably in this document. Ofgem is the Office of Gas and Electricity Markets

<sup>2</sup> Functional requirements relate to specific business activities whereas non-functional requirements include auditing, security, resilience etc.

<sup>3</sup> A PSL is defined in the BSC as a document setting out the requirements as to particular services which are to be performed by Parties and Party Agents.

<sup>4</sup> Change Proposal BSCP1182 'Creation of a generic Party Service Line'

<sup>5</sup> A BSCP is defined in the BSC as a document setting out procedures, to be complied with (by Parties, Party Agents, BSC Agents, BSCCo, the Panel and others) in, and other matters relating to, the implementation of the code.

<sup>6</sup> The terms 'modification' and 'modification proposal' have the same meaning as 'change' and 'change proposal' for the purposes of this document.

<sup>7</sup> Standard licence conditions available at:

<https://epr.ofgem.gov.uk/Content/Documents/Electricity%20Distribution%20Consolidated%20Standard%20Licence%20Conditions%20-%20Current%20Version.pdf>

**Decision notice**

We consent to change proposal MRA CP 213: 'Remove obsolete references to Balancing and Settlement Code Subsidiary Documentation from the MRA v10.5' being made.

**Lesley Nugent****Head of Industry Codes and Licensing****Signed on behalf of the Authority and authorised for that purpose**