

<b>Date:</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> May 2014	<b>Time &amp; Location</b>	12.30, CER Offices, Tallaght
<b>Chair:</b>	Jessica Gregory, ReMCoDs		
<b>Attendees:</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	
	Jessica Gregory, Alice Mooney	ReMCoDs	
	Seán mac an Bhaird, Warren Deacon, Dana Paraschiv	CER	
	Siobhan Keane	Firmus Energy	
	Carmel O'Connor, Theresa O'Neill	ESBN	
	Mark Speers	BGE	
	Neil Grennan-Heaven, Peter Varley, Elizabeth Montgomerie	Gemserv	
	Paul McCormick	Energia	
	Andy Porter, Damian Wilson	Budget Energy	
	William Steele, Graeme Hunter	Power NI	
	Emma Finnegan, Sam Dines, Joan-Edel Smith	NIE	
	Siobhan Melvin	Airtricity	
<b>Apologies:</b>			
<b>Version Number</b>	1.0		
<b>Status</b>			

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<b>Agenda:</b>		
<b>1.</b>	Introduction	Jessica Gregory, ReMCoDS
<b>2.</b>	ReMCoSG Meeting Feedback	Jessica Gregory, ReMCoDS
<b>3.</b>	Retail Market Messaging Update	Carmel O'Connor, ESBN Joan-Edel Smith, NIE
<b>4.</b>	Market Design Update	Jessica Gregory, ReMCoDS
<b>5.</b>	ReMCoWG To-Do List Review	Jessica Gregory, ReMCoDS
<b>6.</b>	AOB & Closing	Jessica Gregory, ReMCoDS

## 1. Introduction

Minutes from ReMCoWG Meeting – 26 March 2014

**Approved.**

## 2. ReMCoSG Meeting Feedback

No ReMCoSG Meeting has taken place since the last ReMCoWG meeting. The next scheduled SG Meeting is 11th June 2014 after which updates will be provided at the next ReMCoWG

## 3. Retail Market Messaging Update

C O'Connor presented the Retail Market Messaging Update.

### Current Issues

No operational issues have arisen since the last meeting. C O'Connor gave an update on the Digital Certs programme. She informed the group that unexplained errors had arisen during Capita's testing. The errors have been forwarded to TIBCO. ESNB, NIE and Capita await a response from them. The programme is postponed until an understanding of whether the errors were due to the underlying structure of the HUB or something unrelated. The current stance is that due to the errors identified, the risk of updating the certs was seen as too great to the overall stability of the messaging infrastructure and therefore the delivery to production was not approved at this stage.

S Melvin asked whether there is any risk in continuing with the Test Certs. C O'Connor replied that currently all Suppliers use a single Cert as this is a way of tracking messages, and that no issues have arisen to date. P McCormick enquired whether the current Digital Certs were expiring, and C O'Connor replied that she will check if that is the case and revert back to the group.

**New Action: Digital Certs - ESNB to check whether Digital Certs are due to expire soon and implications to roll out of digital certs programme if they are.**

### Supplier Issues

There have been a number of supplier connectivity issues over the last few months, some of which would have caused a marked slowdown in the hub for all Suppliers prior to the contingency update in December. It therefore appears that the Contingency is working well. S mac an Bhaird commented on the relevance of housekeeping and regular TIBCO maintenance by all Market Participants as a preventative mechanism for system issues. C O'Connor supported this comment.

### Future Plans

C O'Connor outlined the future plans. Regarding the selection of a System Implementer. An agreement has almost been reached with IBM. If all goes to plan, IBM should be on board by the end of next week. After appointment, The SI will have an eight-week window to perform scope, design and costing on three options. By mid- to late-August, regulatory approval will be sought for the chosen option.

S Melvin asked who would be funding the overall project. C O'Connor replied that this would be discussed as part of the regulatory approval process. S Melvin added that the NI Supplier Forum had agreed that the Customer should not have to pay for the redesign or changes to the Messaging infrastructure as they had already paid for it during the initial delivery. C O'Connor indicated that the preferred solution, pending the scope and design, was to make the system Smart ready. This would be a challenge, because it would also involve the Business Connect and Business Works upgrades. S mac an Bhaird stated that the Steering Group would be made aware of the above concern raised in connection with who pays for the redesign/optimisation of the TIBCO solution. P McCormick enquired whether there will be a progress update at the next ReMCoWG. C O'Connor replied that there will not be an update until the ReMCoWG in September as details will only be finalised in August.

#### 4. Market Design Update

J Gregory and JE Smith presented the Market Design Update.

##### **DR 1149 – Request that Suppliers ensure that they submit only one active CoLE 016MM for an MPRN**

This DR updates the Market Process Documentation to add a rule stating that Suppliers should not send in multiple 016 MMs with the same effective date until they have either received a confirmation 016MM or a rejection message.

**Approved as RoI Specific.**

##### **DR 1150 - Change the method of providing DUoS Billing Information from posted CD to the Secure File Transfer System**

Currently DUoS billing information is transferred to all Suppliers via an encrypted CD transferred to all Suppliers by post. This DR aims to change this to a Secure File Transfer mechanism.

**Approved as RoI Specific.**

##### **DR 1141**

This DR was raised by ESBN and classified Jurisdiction Specific for both RoI and NI. It aims to address the defect where an unregistered Supplier can send a 260MM and the message is accepted and not rejected. The response message (261MM) is sent to the registered Supplier causing a deviation from market design and rules. The 260, according to standard market design rules, should be rejected as is not being sent by registered supplier. CDA NIE has conducted an impact assessment, and their proposed fix is to send back a 261 MM to the non registered Supplier. The Market Message Guides currently state that the 261 MM can only be sent back to the registered Supplier. The Guides will be updated to indicate that the 261 will be sent back to the unregistered supplier under these circumstances. This proposed solution will be presented to the CDA at the next meeting.

C O'Connor indicated that ESBN was under no obligation to follow the same solution as NI, and that whereas the same error was arising in both systems, the two jurisdictions could potentially develop completely different solutions. S Melvin expressed approval for adopting the same solution in RoI, unless it proved very costly. S mac an Bhaird said that not all processes are harmonised, and that the two markets are completely separate.

C O'Connor stated that there was no objection to examining the issue, but that the non-registered Suppliers who were sending the MM were doing so for a reason and that it was unclear whether a workaround exists. M Speers agreed that the same solution should be used for RoI as is being implemented in NI. S mac an Bhaird suggested that ESBN would consider whether or not the option was suitable, and that that would be discussed further at the IGG, given that it is jurisdiction specific. J Gregory added that as the issue was schema impacting, a similar solution would have to be considered because of the co-ordinated schema and baseline. The difference with this DR is that the defect presents in a similar way in both jurisdictions and although it affects a market message, it is not schema impacting, therefore a common approach is not mandatory. It raised the question of harmonisation as an ongoing consideration in design decisions for similar issues in both jurisdictions.

##### **Updates and Outages**

J Gregory reported that the RMDS website went live on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2014. The Calendar holds all ROI forums as well as some NI forums.

Notification of a full market outage for NI and RoI on 15 June will issue by email to all market participants. The outage is taking place so that TIBCO can accommodate a new Market Participant. An outage would not be required if a Market Participant was active in one jurisdiction and sought entry to the other jurisdiction. It would not be required for any Market Participant who did not require an

EMMA (i.e. Self Suppliers, DSUs ). This is the first market outage since TIBCO was implemented although there have been many new Market Participants entering the ROI market during that period.

In addition, the third Sunday of each month is being earmarked for any outages that affect TIBCO or any other system. C O'Connor reported that ESNB are trying to align all their outages for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month.

#### **5. ReMCoWG Action List Review**

**There were no open Action Items at the end of the Meeting on 26 March 2014.**

#### **6. AOB & Closing**

J Gregory indicated that the Smart Metering Programme is starting to look at the impact of Smart Metering on existing market design. It was suggested that a representative from the programme should attend an IGG or ReMCoWG to give an overview of this. As many of the changes will affect the Co-ordinated Baseline, it was agreed that the ReMCoWG was the appropriate forum for the Smart metering update. Participants were in favour of this proposal. J Gregory agreed to arrange for a Smart Metering representative to present at the next ReMCoWG in July. It is likely that this will become a regular slot at the ReMCoWG.

J Gregory advises Market Participants that the RMDS calendar is at the foot of each page on the new RMDS website.

#### **Next Steps**

**Next ReMCoWG: Wednesday 23 July – Belfast.**