

Date:	4 th March, 2015	Time & Location	12:55 – 14:00 - ReMCoWG
Chair:	Jessica Gregory, RMDS		
Attendees:	Name	Location	
	Tracy Caffrey, Alice Mooney, Jessica Gregory	ReMCoDS	
	Dana Paraschiv	CER	
	Carmel O'Connor, Theresa O'Neill, Rob Aherne, Michael Moloney	ESBN	
	Lizzie Montgomerie	Gemserv	
	Emma Finnegan, Sam Dines, Gemma McHale, Joan-Edel Smith, Karen Wilson,	NIE	
	John O'Dea	Eirgrid	
	Séan Doolin, Maria Ferris	Electric Ireland	
	Thomas Heasley, Chee Shong Soon,	Energia	
	David Mulholland, Ray Gilmartin	SSE Airtricity	
	Keith Deacon	VAYU	
	John Paul McFeely. Anne McEvoy	Budget Energy	
	William Steele, Graeme Hunter	Power NI	
	Mark Speers	BGE	
Apologies:	Seán mac an Bhaird		
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Agenda:	
1.	General
2.	Actions from Previous ReMCoWG
3.	ESBN Update
4.	Smart Metering Update
5.	Market Design Update
6.	Notice Board Planned Maintenance, Reminders from IGG, etc.
7.	AOB

1 - General

J Gregory enquired if everyone was happy to sign off on the last Working Group minutes: All Agreed.

J Gregory gave an update on the recent ReMCoSG held on the 25.02.2015. Topics included:

The Co-Ordinated Change Control Strategy Document

- NIE provided an update as to what consensus means (Action 130). This resulted in all attendees agreeing to sign off the Co-ordination Change Control Strategy document. This document will be

published on the RMDS website.

- Action Item 123: **Closed**
- Action Item 130: **Closed**

Smart Metering

- It was agreed at the SG that Action 105 remains as a placeholder. The Smart Metering Programme is in Phase 3 - Detailed Design. Implementation timelines for Smart Metering have yet to be defined. CER will give an update at the ReMCoWG on 4th March.
- Action 131 was discussed in relation to impacts on the co-ordinated market. The main impact on the co-ordinated market will be the schema freeze. Details of when the freeze will take place and the length of the freeze will be provided at a later stage by the National Smart Metering Programme (NSMP). NI will have limited development requirements for the implementation of changes. Details of this are being explored in the design workshops. All non schema releases and standard co-ordinated change control (MCRs) will take place during the SM programme. The Schema release that will take place to implement Smart metering will not be exclusive – that is, NI schema changes can be implemented at the same time. All agreed to close the action.

Action Item 105: Remains open

Action Item 131: Closed

TIBCO Upgrade Project

- NIE and ESNB have approvals in place in order to proceed with the project. The Project will restart on March 2nd. By mid April, the team will be in a position to meet with Supplier's IT Technical contacts to discuss project implications.

Other

- Assurance and the overall co-ordination and planning for the schema release (TIBCO and 2 MCRs) was discussed. ReMCoDS took an action produce a plan for the release: **Action Item 132-ReMCoDS** to provide a high level plan for Co-ordinated Schema Release 2015.
- Fiona Hannon will replace Siobhan Melvin as the ROI Supplier Rep.

2. Actions – Previous ReMCoWG

J Gregory provided the Action Item Update:

Action Items

131	Tibco Project Upgrade - ESNB/NIE to inform Suppliers of the Project start date		
Update for ReMCoWG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ESNB to provide update 		
Discussion at ReMCoWG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ESNB confirmed that the TIBCO project will commence as of Monday, March 2nd 2015. • This action was deemed closed. 		
Forum Logged: WG	Assigned to: RMDS	Status: Closed	Due Date: 04.03.2015
132	ReMCoSG to give formal response to SSE Airtricity to why TIBCO Upgrade project was put on hold. ReMCoDS to forward this request to the ReMCoSG.		
Update for ReMCoWG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 		
Discussion at ReMCoWG	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R Gilmartin asked ESNB for a formal response as to why TIBCO was put on hold and what has changed why it is back up and running. ReMCoDS agreed to forward this request to the Steering Group. 		
Forum Logged: WG	Assigned to: ReMCoDS/SG	Status: NEW Action - Open	Due Date: 13.05.2015

3. ESB Networks

C O'Connor provided the ESBN update.

Recent Events – There were 18 contingency events but no major events since the last meeting.

- Suppliers were reminded to continue their EMMA housekeeping and to keep ESB/NIE and Capita updated with any possible IT impacts in advance.

TIBCO Application Monitoring Alerts

- Successfully implemented on all Supplier EMMAs.
- Additional and early TIBCO alerts have already been of benefit to the Market and a Supplier.

Future Plans

- Planned Outage taking place on Sunday March 15th (third Sunday) to facilitate a New Entrant.

TIBCO Upgrade Project – Current Status

R Aherne gave an update on the Tibco Upgrade update.

- All required approvals are in place to proceed.
- Project team re-engaged as of Monday, March 2nd 2015 and IBM are back on-site.
- Solution will be built for Option 2 – Smart Metering – taking account of Supplier's preference to scale EMMAs as required.
- Initial Project timeline was 43 weeks – objective is still to go-live in 2015 close to December, the hope is to deliver sooner.
- Project will include the schema release incorporating MCR 1111: Debt Flagging and MCR 1122: Essential Plant.
- A detailed technical briefing will be planned for April to provide Suppliers with technical requirements, required involvement, proposed dates and cutover approach.
- There will be no bank holiday weekends available for the cutover and this will be discussed further with Suppliers. ESBN stated that there may be a Friday afternoon needed to implement this. ESBN are asking Suppliers to keep this in mind.
- R Gilmartin queried the timeline of the Tibco project. The project originally was scheduled as 50 weeks, then reduced to 49 weeks and is now at 43 weeks. For a delivery date by Christmas/New Year will this reduced timeline compromise TIBCO Upgrade in any way. R Aherne stated that there will be extra resources on the ESBN side to deal with this workload.
- R Gilmartin indicated that SSE required the Regulators to provide a formal response as to why the TIBCO programme was put on hold. He added that they needed to understand what has changed allowing the programme to resume. C O'Connor responded that the reasons for the delay had been documented in the last meeting and provided by the Regulatory Authorities. She added that the delay related to agreeing appropriate cost recovery mechanisms for both jurisdictions. J Gregory stated that this formal response will need to be provided by the ReMCoSG. She agreed to forward the request to the Steering Group.
- A new Action was taken for the ReMCoSG to provide the formal response.

Action 132: ReMCoSG to give formal response to SSE Airtricity to why TIBCO Upgrade project was put on hold. ReMCoDS to forward this request to the ReMCoSG.

S Doolin asked whether there was a high possibility that using Friday afternoon for the TIBCO upgrade would be necessary. If it were used would it mean an outage on the systems on that particular half day? C O'Connor responded that a three day weekend cutover requirement has always been in the TIBCO plan. If the project is to be released before the end of 2015, it may require the use of a Friday afternoon as there is no three day weekend between October and December. She added that she is currently unsure of the full details but wanted to alert Suppliers as early as possible to the possible requirement. R Aherne added that ESNB will try to avoid using a Friday afternoon if at all possible.

- A participant enquired as to whether Suppliers will queue messages or get all messages across before the outage on the Friday. R Aherne stated that this would all be detailed in the cutover plan.
- D Paraschiv requested that ESNB keep all Suppliers informed of all changes and information regarding the Tibco cutover dates and times as soon as possible and through regular briefings.

4. Smart Metering Programme

M Moloney gave the Smart Metering Programme Update:

The objective of the Smart Metering update was to provide:

- An update on progress on the delivery of Smart Retail Market Changes
- A High Level Overview of the Smart Retail Market Changes with a specific focus on the changes that impact the Schema.

Refer to slides for full details.

5. Retail Market Design Update

J Gregory gave the Market Design Update:

DR 1140 V1.0 – Introduction of Eircodes into the Retail Market in Ireland.

- J Gregory provided a brief overview of the Eircode initiative in ROI. She added that it was being requested that this DR be classified as ROI specific. She indicated the detail behind the DR had been discussed at length at the previous IGG meeting.
- D Paraschiv asked if ESNB had organised the Eircode Workshop? C O Connor responded that J Gregory / RMDS had organised the workshop due to a perceived requirement in the market. This view was generated from involvement at various forums and other feedback received from Market Participants. J Gregory added that the workshop was arranged with the Stakeholder Manager from the Eircode project and a representative from the Department. D Paraschiv asked if there was a Supplier representative for Eircodes who liaised with the Eircode programme. The general response was that there was not one. D Paraschiv stressed the importance of information being passed to suppliers in a timely manner. .
- C O'Connor responded that there is a National Steering Group for Eircodes and ESB Group has a representative on this. ESNB is considered by the Eircode programme as a public service body. ESNB were asked to undertake a database matching exercise in their capacity as a public service body. C O Connor added that there had been an assumption made by the ESNB Eircode project that IBEC had been relaying information to Suppliers.
- . J Gregory stressed that many decisions relating to Eircodes will need to be addressed by the industry as a whole. She added that the transfer of data between ESNB and MPs is only one element of the design. The implications of process change due to the significant interrelated nature of the

electricity industry market requires full industry buy in and joint decisions on how post codes will be implemented/timelines etc. D Paraschiv further acknowledged the importance of the Eircodes project on behalf of CER..

Schema Release 2015

- ReMCoDS hopes to deliver a high level Schema Release plan to Suppliers before or at the next WG. J Gregory added that co-ordinated and joint jurisdictional assurance considerations needed to be addressed. She added that all technical streams will feed in to the overall co-ordination of the schema release with MPs.
- ReMCoDS requested that Suppliers send in all queries in form of email to ReMCoDS.

Customer Satisfaction Survey.

- The ReMCoDS survey was issued on 13th February 2015. J Gregory requested that all MPs respond by the 13th March 2015. She added that although many may be suffering from survey fatigue, we request that as many MPs as possible complete the new survey. She stressed that, like the IGG survey, this exercise allowed MPs to provide valuable feedback about items within the co-ordinated market which they wanted improved or that were working well.

6. Notice Board: Planned Maintenance, Reminders from IGG etc.

Outage Dates:

- Planned Outage taking place on March 15th (third Sunday) to facilitate a New Entrant. Full details available on the RMDS Website.

7. AOB

D Paraschiv stressed to the forum that any comments she made were done so in her own capacity and that S Mac an Bhaird, who is closer to all items discussed, may need to revise following the forum.

Next ReMCoWG:

- 13th May 2015 in Dublin