

<b>Date:</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2018	<b>Time &amp; Location</b>	11:00 – 12:00 – City North Hotel – Gormanston - Co Meath
<b>Chair:</b>	Carl Murphy - ReMCoDS		
<b>Attendees:</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	
	Alice Mooney, Catherine Keane	ReMCoDS	
	Nicola Parker, Michael Campbell	UR	
	Alan Keegan	CRU	
	John Bracken, Aileen Greaves, Theresa O'Neill, Colette Roper	ESBN	
	Gemma McHale	NIE Networks	
	Thomas Heasley	Power NI	
	Mark Speers	BGE	
	Kevin Sheridan	Energia	
	Siobhan Melvin	SSE Airtricity	
	Eamonn Murtagh, Alan Reynolds	Panda Power	
	Niall Kelly	Click Energy	
	Sean Doolin, Mark Phelan	Electric Ireland	
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<b>Agenda:</b>	
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<b>2.</b>	Objective for Today
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## 1 - Introduction/Background

C Murphy outlined the Introduction and background to the new Retail Market Release Prioritisation Process.

**Refer to slides for details.**

The Retail Market Release Prioritisation Process was developed based on principles agreed with both CRU and UR and was approved by the RAs on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

### Prioritisation Process Overview

He outlined the Prioritisation Overview.

### Evaluate MCRs Process

C Murphy noted that this Workshop (Step 5) is part of the first sub Process “Evaluate MCRs”. MPs were asked in the last couple of weeks (Step 4) to review the MCRs List for Schema Affecting MCRs ahead of this Workshop.

He added that the objective of this sub process is for attendees to review the current list of outstanding approved MCRs and only bring forward the MCRs that are still appropriate and therefore reduce the pot of MCRs. A number of MCRs have been opened for a considerable length of time and it will be for the attendees to determine if this functionality is still required.

### Propose Packages for delivery Process

This sub process is whereby the Network Operators impact assess and together with the RAs agree Package Options. Package Options will then be outlined to Suppliers at a further workshop. (See Section 5 Next Steps for details).

### Agree Package for delivery Process

This sub process is whereby MPs will have the ability to vote for the Package Options as outlined by the NOs and RAs, (See Section 5 Next Steps for details).

## 2. Objective for today

C Murphy outlined the Objective for this Workshop.

**Refer to slides for details.**

The objective of this workshop is to classify each MCR by consensus as either of the following:

- **Included for prioritisation** - Has a Significant improvement for all Suppliers and/or Network Operator(s) in terms of increased efficiency, reduced transaction time, reduced work effort and/or compliance. These will be brought forward for Network Operator Impact assessment.
- **Not included for prioritisation** - Is not immediately required as the market has functioned without its implementation to date satisfactorily without significant additional impact on MPs. These will not be brought forward for the Network Operator Impact assessment for this release but if a synergy is identified it may be included in a package option.

- **Withdrawn** - MPs agree that this MCR is to be assigned a permanent classification of "Withdrawn". If a similar requirement arises in the future a new DR shall have to be raised.

This Workshop will try to avoid a deep dive discussion into the design of each MCR and the deliverability of each MCR. If consensus is not reached on any MCR at this Workshop, then it will automatically be classified as "Included for Prioritisation".

### 3. MCR Evaluation

C Murphy reported that all Approved Schema Affecting MCRs are included in this Workshop for classification. MCRs which have already been scheduled or those MCRs yet to be approved are outside the scope of this Workshop.

He outlined the following 8 MCRs for classification.

- MCR0069 – Irish Language Character Set.
- MCR0073 – Proposal to make first name mandatory on market messages.
- MCR0176 – Email Address Validation.
- MCR1114 – Post Harmonisation Sundry Technical Changes to HBL Schema.
- MCR1157 – Smart Metering Processing and Data Aggregation.
- MCR1158 – Smart Metering Customer Data Changes.
- MCR1159 – Smart Metering Change of Supplier.
- MCR1160 – Smart Metering Meter Works.

The detailed discussion is outlined below:

#### **MCR0069 - Irish Language Character Set.**

C Murphy outlined the date raised, date approved, requesting organisation, jurisdictional implementation, version history, prioritisation history, change summary and notes for this MCR.

This MCR has rated very low on the last number of prioritisation exercises.

T Heasley suggested that this MCR should be withdrawn and stated that this MCR if introduced would cause to a lot of work and it is not available in the GAS Market.

J Bracken reported that even though ESNB originally raised this MCR in 2006, he is happy to withdraw it.

C Keane added that GNI has no plans to introduce the Irish Language Character Set.

J Bracken added this MCR was introduced in December 2005 and is not mandatory.

M Speers stated that BGE can add "fadas" into names and that it is only on ESNB's side that this cannot be done.

At the end of the discussion, attendees agreed that the MCR has been on the table for over ten years and is not a requirement going forward. They agreed to withdraw the MCR.

**MCR0069 – Classified as "Withdrawn".**

**MCR0073 - Proposal to make first name mandatory on Market Messages.**

C Murphy outlined the date raised, date approved, requesting organisation, jurisdictional implementation, version history, prioritisation history, change summary and notes for this MCR.

This MCR has rated very low on the last number of prioritisation exercises.

J Bracken reported that even though ESNB originally raised this MCR in 2006, he is happy to withdraw it.

At the end of the discussion, attendees agreed that the MCR has been on the table for over ten years and is not a requirement going forward. They agreed to withdraw the MCR.

**MCR0073 – Classified as “Withdrawn”.**

**MCR0176 - Email Address Validation.**

C Murphy outlined the date raised, date approved, requesting organisation, jurisdictional implementation, version history, prioritisation history, change summary and notes for this MCR.

Suppliers reported that most Suppliers have validations in their own systems.

C Murphy suggested that Supplier side validations are probably more beneficial as it reduces the potential for having to re-contact the Supplier as the validation could be done whilst the customer is still on the phone. C Murphy also suggested that the MCR could be withdrawn and that a new Working Practice could be opened to update the Market Design Documentation to include details of the Email Address Validation so that it is clear to all future New Entrants.

At the end of the discussion, attendees agreed that the MCR should be brought forward and included in the Prioritisation exercise. It is essential for this MCR to be impact assessed to see the volumes involved and implementation effort

**MCR0176 – Classified as “Included for Prioritisation”.**

**MCR1114 – Post Harmonisation Sundry Technical Changes to HBL Schema.**

C Murphy outlined the date raised, date approved, requesting organisation, jurisdictional implementation, version history, prioritisation history, change summary and notes for this MCR.

This MCR has rated low on the last number of prioritisation exercises. It involves a number of small technical changes to the Schema (such as spelling mistakes). Even though it involves small changes, it will require regression testing and likely IPT which will impact all suppliers and NOs on the whole.

M Speers questioned from a principles perspective if it was correct to ignore imperfections even if they are small and suggested that it would be better to leave these changes in the pot and correct these changes in the future when the correct synergies present themselves. He was concerned it was creating a precedent.

C Murphy suggested that a new MMR could be created by ReMCoDS which would outline these errors in the Market Design Documentation for new entrants.

At the end of the discussion, attendees agreed that the MCR should not be brought forward and included in this Prioritisation exercise. It will be kept in the pot and will be available for review in future prioritisation exercises.

**MCR1114 – Classified as “Not Included for Prioritisation”.**

**MCR1157 – Smart Metering Data Processing and Data Aggregation.**

C Murphy outlined the date raised, date approved, requesting organisation, jurisdictional implementation, version history, prioritisation history and change summary and notes for this MCR.

This is one of four Smart Metering MCRs at this Workshop.

It was agreed by attendees that this MCR should be brought forward and included in this Prioritisation exercise.

T O'Neill reported that the Detailed Design of the Smart Metering MCRs will be outlined by the ESNB Smart Metering Team over the summer period.

**MCR1157 – Classified as “Included for Prioritisation”.**

**MCR1158 – Smart Metering Customer Data Changes.**

C Murphy outlined the date raised, date approved, requesting organisation, jurisdictional implementation, version history, prioritisation history and change summary and notes for this MCR.

This is one of four Smart Metering MCRs at this Workshop.

It was agreed by attendees that this MCR should be brought forward and included in this Prioritisation exercise.

T O'Neill reported that the Detailed Design of the Smart Metering MCRs will be outlined by the ESNB Smart Metering Team over the summer period.

**MCR1158 – Classified as “Included for Prioritisation”.**

**MCR1159 – Smart Metering Change of Supplier.**

C Murphy outlined the date raised, date approved, requesting organisation, jurisdictional implementation, version history, prioritisation history and change summary and notes for this MCR.

This is one of four Smart Metering MCRs at this Workshop.

It was agreed by attendees that this MCR should be brought forward and included in this Prioritisation exercise.

T O'Neill reported that the Detailed Design of the Smart Metering MCRs will be outlined by the ESNB Smart Metering Team over the summer period.

**MCR1159 – Classified as “Included for Prioritisation”.**

**MCR1160 – Smart Metering Meter Works.**

C Murphy outlined the date raised, date approved, requesting organisation, jurisdictional implementation, version history, prioritisation history and change summary and notes for this MCR.

This is one of four Smart Metering MCRs at this Workshop.

It was agreed by attendees that this MCR should be brought forward and included in this Prioritisation exercise.

T O'Neill reported that the Detailed Design of the Smart Metering MCRs will be outlined by the ESNB Smart Metering Team over the summer period.

**MCR1160 – Classified as “Included for Prioritisation”.**

#### 4. MCR Evaluation Re-Cap

C Murphy provided a Re-Cap of the MCRs. The following classifications were agreed at the Workshop:

<b>MCR Title</b>	<b>Classification Agreed</b>
MCR0069 - Irish Language Character Set	<b>Withdrawn</b>
MCR0073 – Proposal to make first name mandatory on market messages	<b>Withdrawn</b>
MCR 0176 - Email Address Validation	<b>Included for Prioritisation</b>
MCR1114 – Post Harmonisation Sundry Technical Changes to HBL Schema	<b>Not Included for Prioritisation</b>
MCR1157 – Smart Metering Processing and Data Aggregation	<b>Included for Prioritisation</b>
MCR1158 – Smart Metering Customer Data Changes	<b>Included for Prioritisation</b>
MCR1159 – Smart Metering Change of Supplier	<b>Included for Prioritisation</b>
MCR1160 – Smart Metering Meter Works	<b>Included for Prioritisation</b>

## **5. Next Steps**

C Murphy outlined the next Steps in line with the approved Retail Market Prioritisation Process.

- Evaluation MCR Workshop Meeting Minutes and classifications will be circulated by ReMCoDS by 24.05.2018.
- The Classification will be confirmed by MPs by 31.05.2018.
- The Proposed Package for Delivery Process Commences:
  - Communication Pack will issue to MPs by week ending 27.07.2018.
  - Communication Workshop to be scheduled for early August.