



### Introduction

Welcome to the CACoP Newsletter, the voice of the Code Administration Code of Practice (CACoP). This quarterly newsletter from the CACoP Forum provides you with the latest information on cross-Code issues, important dates and key events.

In this edition, we will be covering:

- An update on the market-wide half-hourly settlement programme (MHHS).
- · An update on the Energy Security Bill.
- A closer look at how we are achieving CACoP Principle 13.

If you have feedback on this Newsletter or if there are any further items you'd like us

to be covering, please contact your Code Administrator – our details are available in the Code Administration Code of Practice.

## **The Latest Forum Discussions**

All the approved minutes from the latest CACoP Forum meetings are now available on the CACoP website.

#### Subscribe to this newsletter

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# MHHS Programme Update

The Market-Wide Half-Hourly Settlement (MHHS) Programme has provided the following update to share with our readers on the work currently being carried out to deliver an MHHS solution for industry.

## Design workstream

The MHHS Programme is a design-led programme. MHHS design sets out how half-hourly settlement will operate across the market, detailing the impacted market segments, systems and processes. The design consists of business process documents, interface specifications and other supporting documentation, collectively known as the Design Artefacts.

Programme participants have been consulted on the Design Artefacts throughout the process.

Approval of the baseline design will be tabled at the Design Advisory Group (DAG) meeting on 31 October 2022, which will enable industry parties to start their design and build activities. A robust change control process will manage any changes to the design baseline and the MHHS Programme will ensure any changes are communicated to industry, including through regular meetings for industry parties.

#### Code workstream

The Code Drafting workstream is delivering Code drafting which is required as a result of changes driven by the MHHS Programme design. The Cross-Code Advisory Group (CCAG) has agreed the Code drafting approach, which is to draft sections by topic areas (including the new meter and data services, central systems and interfaces).





Once the Design Artefacts have been incorporated into the related Codes, legal text and related documents, these will be sent out for industry consultation. The Programme will manage consultations and participants' comments. The Code Drafting Working Group (CDWG) will review any proposed text changes to support a recommendation by CCAG, and the CCAG and Senior Responsible Owner (SRO) will recommend to Ofgem whether to baseline and approve the changes. Ofgem will then enact its Smart Meter Act Powers to designate the changes into the respective Codes.

#### **Testing workstream**

The Testing workstream has worked to deliver the Testing and Integration Strategy and the Test Data Strategy. The current focus is on defining qualification and environment plans and the migration approach – the Migration Working Group (MWG) is currently assessing four possible options.

#### **Further information**

To support participants in delivering the Programme, two online channels have been developed: the public MHHS website and the licensed MHHS Collaboration Base. The two sites provide up-to-date Programme information through a News Hub, events calendars, Programme documents and access to recordings of key Programme meetings, MHHS webinars and playbacks.

An MHHS Programme weekly newsletter 'The Clock' has been issued for over a year; this provides an easy way for participants to keep abreast of the latest Programme information, events and plans. A separate MHHS Design Newsletter has been issued fortnightly for the past six months to provide focused support for those working on design.

If you have any questions about the Programme, please contact the Programme Party Coordinator team at PPC@mhhsprogramme.co.uk.

## **Dates for your diary**

Upcoming CACoP Forum meetings:

- 8 November 2022
- 13 December 2022
- 11 January 2022

Please email <a href="mailto:cacop@gemserv.com">cacop@gemserv.com</a> if you would like to attend and observe any of these meetings.

# **News and Developments**

## **Energy Security Bill**

In the July 2022 CACoP newsletter we provided an update on the Energy Security Bill, which had just been to the House of Lords for its second reading.

The Bill is still at the Committee Stage, however the Government has stated that it remains committed to the important measures within it. Once the Government has provided an update on the next steps, Ofgem will publish a call for input seeking views on key policy areas as it prepares for implementation.

#### CACoP Chair for 2023

The Energy Code responsible for chairing the CACoP Forum changes at the end of each calendar year. That means that by the time our next newsletter is published in January 2023, we will have completed handover of chair responsibilities from the Retail Energy Code (REC) to the Smart Energy Code (SEC).





The CACoP Forum would like to thank Tina Pearce of the REC for her hard work and support as CACoP Chair throughout 2022.

# Keeping up to date with Forum activities

We have now updated our website to include a Latest News page. Here, you can keep up to date with any significant developments in crosscode activities, as well as when new versions of the Central Modifications Register and Newsletter are issued. You can find our Latest News page <a href="here">here</a>.

The CACoP Forum is now also on LinkedIn – you can follow us <u>here</u> to keep up to date with the Forum's work and other cross-Code activities.

# **Principle Focus**



We continue our look at the CACoP Principles and have now reached Principle 13. This Principle requires Code Administrators to ensure cross-Code coordination to progress changes efficiently where modifications impact multiple Codes.

One of the most important functions of the CACoP Forum is to facilitate discussion between different Code Administrators on upcoming changes and the best practices we can all use to progress these.

# **Cross-Code Steering Group**

The output of the latest Cross-Code Steering Group (CCSG) meeting always forms an agenda item at each subsequent CACoP Forum meeting.

The CCSG takes a more in-depth look at the

### **CACoP Products**

The CACoP Forum has produced several items to help you navigate the cross-Code landscape:

- The <u>Central Modifications Register</u>, updated monthly, lists all the open modifications across all the Codes.
- The <u>Horizon Scanner</u> summarises all the wider industry initiatives over the next five years which are expected to impact at least two of the Codes.

If there are any other items you would find useful and would like the CACoP Forum to consider, please let your Code Administrator know.

changes being proposed under each Code, discusses how to proceed where the changes may impact multiple Codes and agrees which Code Administrator should act as the 'lead Code'.

#### Horizon Scanner document

The Horizon Scanner document takes a high-level view of broad industry changes which are likely to have cross-Code impacts. The CACoP Forum is currently reviewing the document and the process to ensure that the information presented here is valuable and up to date. The Horizon Scanner document gives Code Administrators an early view of upcoming changes so that they can engage with other affected Codes before the official modification process has even begun.

If you have any questions or feedback on this Newsletter or what you would like to see in the future editions, please email us at <a href="mailto:cacop@gemserv.com">cacop@gemserv.com</a> or contact your Code Administrator.

The next edition of this Newsletter will be published in January 2023.