

Assurance Services for the Retail Electricity Market

Industry Governance Group (IGG)

Version 1

28th August 2024

Market Assurance Activity – V14.00.00 Market Release

- **V14.00.00 Assurance: Formal Assessment stage**
 - The second stage of Assurance conducted was the Formal Assessment PQ;
 - Formal Assessment phase was commenced in May with the final requirements concluded in August;
 - All Formal Assessment reports have been completed and issued;
 - The preparations for IPT have commenced and the next Assurance stage for the V14.00.00 Market Release will be the assessment and reporting of testing outcomes;
 - The Assurance Body would like to thank the Suppliers and ESB Networks who participated in the Formal Assessments;
 - On the whole there was a high standard of presentations and supporting documentation, the level of preparation effort was noted.

V14.00.00 Timeline – Next Steps

- **V14.00.00 Assurance - Timeline**
 - All key Assurance milestones have been achieved;
- **IPT - Timeline**
 - The key Assurance Body IPT preparation requirements have been completed;
 - The next step for the Assurance Body will be assessing the IPT testing evidence and outcomes.

Key stage	Date	Status
RMDS Issues IPT plan	10 May 2024	✓
Supplier Formal Assessments performed	13 May - 7 June 2024	✓
Supplier Formal Assessment Finding report issued to CRU	14 June 2024	✓
ESB Networks Formal Assessment performed	17 June - 5 July 2024	✓
ESB Networks Formal Assessment Finding report issued to CRU	12 July 2024	✓
Inter-Participant Testing Preparation	12 July - 23 August 2024	✓
Inter-Participant Testing (IPT) Execution phase	9 September - 18 October 2024	
IPT Findings Report issued to CRU	23 October 2024	
Final Assurance Assessment Outcome Report issued to CRU	25 October 2024	
CRU go/no-go decision	5 November 2024	
Cut over	8 November 2024	
Go-Live	11 November 2024	

V14.00.00 Timeline – Cyber Security

- **V14.00.00 Assurance - Cyber Security**
 - An update to the V13.00.00 Cyber Security Assurance Assessment is required for Smart PAYG Suppliers and ESB Networks;
- **Cyber Security - Timeline**
 - RMDS has issued the notification of the Cyber security assessment requirement to respective participants;
 - The next step is for the Self-Assessment PQ to be issued;
 - A drop-in clinic is being arranged for the 16th September to assist with queries completing the return

Key stage	Date	Status
RMDS Issues notification email to Smart PAYG participants	21 August 2024	✓
Market Participant Self-Assessment Questionnaire released	6 September 2024	
Drop in clinic for MP queries	16 September 2024	
Market Participant Self-Assessment Questionnaire response	4 October 2024	
Follow up meetings (where required)	7 – 18 October 2024	
Self-Assessment Findings Report issued to CRU	1 November 2024	
Anonymised Assessment Findings Report issued	TBC	

Participant Assurance Activity

- **Participant Entry Assurance**
 - A number of new market entry applications are in the initial stages.
- **Participant Requalification and Material Change Assurance**
 - Three material change requests applications are currently being processed.
 - Three further material change requests are in the initial planning stages.
- **Participant Exit**
 - Supplier exit assurance is being performed with one Participant.



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