

# SEM R2.3.0 (October 2013 Release) Change Control Forum (CCF) Meeting - Minutes

Date: March 21<sup>st</sup> 2013 14:00 – 15:00

Meeting Attendees				
Dermot Barry (CCF Chair)	SEMO			
Brían McAuley	SEMO			
Laura Plunkett	SEMO			
Darrell Thomas	SSE			
Jill Halliday	Power NI			
Scott Lennox	Power NI PPB			
Anthony Kelly	ESB			
Susan McNicholl	ESB			
Matthew Reid	ESB			
Alan Wiley	ESB			
John Cooper	Ventyx			

## 1. Introduction - CCF Chair

With respect to the SEM R2.3.0 release capacity, the Chair gave an overview of

- the SDS / CCF process;
- the release capacity allocation process; and
- the remaining capacity in the release available to SDS sourced change.

Table 1 below summarises the capacity allocation for the release and the remainder available:

Modification Proposals				
CR Ref.	Mod. Ref.	Description	Vendor	
			Hours	
		Total Modification Capacity Usage	0	
		Modification Capacity Surplus	2040	
Non-T&SC Change Requests				
		Unused capacity from Modifications stream	2040	
		Non-T&SC Capacity Allocation	510	
		Total Remaining Capacity Available	2550	

Table 1: Total Release Capacity allocation to date for the SEM R2.3.0 release

# 2. Change Requests considered – SEMO and Market Participants

Table 2 below lists the Change Requests that were discussed and considered at the CCF meeting along with the vendor hours that are required to deliver them:

Change Requests					
CR Ref	Syste m	Description Priority Org		Organisation	Vendor Hours
SEM_PC_CR174	MI	MPI Dropdown values for a Trading H SEMO Site		48	
SEM_PC_CR186	MA	Export Functionality in MA	Н	SEMO	348
SEM_PC_CR265	STL	Task Functionality	Н	SEMO	232
SEM_PC_CR297	MI	Wind Forecast Validation	Н	SEMO	144
SEM_PC_CR310	MI	Run Cancellation Initialisation	M	SEMO	184
SEM_PC_CR263	MI/STL	POMAX does not read updates from the MPI	•		356
SEM_PC_CR312	MI	Run Cancellation Functionality	M	SEMO	300
SEM_PC_CR168	STL	Unnecessary File Import Type selection	М	SEMO	52
SEM_PC_CR311	MI	VTOD Status Changes for Approval	M	SEMO	136
SEM_PC_CR294	STL	DDF Linked to System Type within POMAX file import	M	SEMO	408
SEM_PC_CR271	All	Automated Exchange Rate download to the CMS		SEMO	372
SEM_PC_CR309	STL	Tax File Import	М	SEMO	350
SEM_PC_CR203	MA	Displaying UUC Penalty Costs in MA	М	SEMO	142
SEM_PC_CR224	STL	Ad-hoc flag in Type 3 statements	М	SSE	840
SEM_PC_CR205	MI	MPI Weblink User Access	М	ESB Powergen	400
Total (ABB/Brady) CR Hours based on vendor impact assessments				4,312	

Table 2: Listing of CRs Considered.

#### 3. Prioritisation Discussions

Each Change Request listed in Table 2 above was discussed and considered by the CCF. The following comments were raised in relation to specific Change Requests and during the prioritisation discussions.

There were no comments or queries raised by the CCF in relation to the following Change Requests:

- SEM\_PC\_CR265 Task Functionality
- SEM PC CR297 Wind Forecast Validation
- SEM\_PC\_CR310 Run Cancellation Initialisation
- SEM\_PC\_CR263 POMAX does not read updates from the MPI
- SEM PC CR312 Run Cancellation Functionality
- SEM PC CR168 Unnecessary File Import Type selection
- SEM PC CR271 Automated Exchange Rate download to the CMS
- SEM PC CR309 Tax File Import
- SEM\_PC\_CR203 Displaying UUC Penalty Costs in MA

### SEM\_PC\_CR174 - MPI Dropdown values for a Trading Site

What is the impact of the issue that this Change Request addresses and how often has it occurred? The issue has occurred at least 3 times. To resolve the issue, significant remedial work is required: scripts from vendors, preparation of a test environment and testing of the fix. It resulted in delays to processing when it occurred. The small effort to implement the change would result in a significant benefit.

## SEM\_PC\_CR186 - Export Functionality in MA

What is MA?

MA is SEMO's Pricing and Scheduling software (MSP).

#### SEM PC CR311 - VTOD Status Changes for Approval

During discussions on this Change Request it was emphasised that there would be no impacts to interfaces with Participants should this be implemented. This change would only impact internal Market Operations processes. If not implemented there would be potential delays to market processing.

#### SEM PC CR224 - Ad-hoc flag in Type 3 statements

This change was proposed by SSE. There were concerns raised around implementing this change:

- How would different ad-hoc resettlement for the same period be identified?
- Impact on Participant systems; and
- The high vendor estimate (840 hours) to deliver the change.

There was no consensus to implement this change so it was not put forward to be included in scope. SEMO agreed to schedule a call with SSE and Ventyx to discuss the requirement further and investigate if another solution may be identified.

## SEM\_PC\_CR205 - MPI Weblink User Access

This change was proposed by ESB. SRA data is a Settlements matter and having to give Settlement representatives Trading access goes against business practices. However, it was suggested that this change could be put on hold at this point as the business had a workaround in place. This was agreed after further review of the priority of the other Change Requests.

# 4. Resultant SDS Scope Agreement

Following the prioritisation discussions the following ABB/Brady Change Requests were proposed for inclusion in scope for the SEM R2.3.0 release:

Resultant Scope for R2.3.0				
CR Ref.	System	Description	Vendor Hours	
SEM_PC_CR174	MI	MPI Dropdown values for a Trading Site	48	
SEM_PC_CR186	MA	Export Functionality in MA	348	
SEM_PC_CR265	STL	Task Functionality	232	
SEM_PC_CR297	MI	Wind Forecast Validation	144	
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SEM_PC_CR294	STL	DDF Linked to System Type within POMAX file import	408	
SEM_PC_CR203	MA	Displaying UUC Penalty Costs in MA	142	
Total Vendor Hours for R2.3.0 prioritised by CCF			2350	

Table 3: Resultant SDS Scope.

# 5. Next Steps/Actions

- SEMO to publish minutes of the CCF Meeting of March 21<sup>st</sup>, update the SEMO website and issue an email alert to Participants;
- SEMO IT to confirm release capacity with vendors based on proposed Change Requests;
- SEMO IT to compile and issue final recommendation report to the Regulatory Authorities;
- On receiving final Regulatory approval, SEMO IT will direct our vendors to include the approved Change Requests in scope; and
- SEMO IT to publish complete scope to the industry immediately once finalised