



**SEM R1.9.0 (April 2011 Release)**

**Minutes - Change Control Forum (CCF) Meeting 2**

**Date: October 21st 2010**

**Time: 14:00 – 16:00**

| <b>Meeting Attendees</b> |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Sean Mackin (Chair)      | SEMO       |
| Nigel Thomson            | SEMO       |
| Colm Gaffney             | SEMO       |
| Dermot Barry             | SEMO       |
| Jean Pierre Miura        | RAs        |
| Jose Sanchez             | Endesa     |
| Patrick O' Hagan         | Endesa     |
| Sean McCrea              | Energia    |
| Phillip Patterson        | NIE        |
| William Steele           | NIE        |
| Maura Gallagher          | ESB        |
| Maeve Rudden             | ESB        |
| Matt Reid                | ESB        |
| Paula Leonard            | ESB        |
| Daryll Thomas            | Airtricity |

**Introduction – Sean Mackin, SEMO IT Manager, SDS Chair**

Sean initiated the meeting and gave an outline of the aim of the meeting – to determine a scope of non Trading & Settlement (T&SC) changes based on the Provisional Priority List agreed from the first meeting on September 15<sup>th</sup>. The Provisional Priority List from the first meeting is outlined in the following tables along with the vendor hours that are required to deliver them:

| <b>ABB Navita Changes</b>   |               |   |                 |                     |
|---|---------------|---|-----------------|---------------------|
| <b>Provisional Prioritisation List as Proposed by SEMO on 15-Sep-2010</b> |               |   |                 |                     |
| <b>Cr Ref</b>   | <b>System</b> | <b>Description</b>  | <b>Priority</b> | <b>Vendor Hours</b> |
| SEM_PC_CR172  | MI/MA         | MIUN Calculation  | High            | 500                 |
| SEM_PC_CR225  | STL           | Historical Cross-Border Resettlement                                  | High            | 1000                |
| SEM_PC_CR214  | STL           | Removal of 0INTEREST from INTEREST Import Source                      | High            | 42                  |
| SEM_PC_CR180  | All           | Exchange Rates in Central Market Systems                              | High            | 178                 |
| SEM_PC_CR209  | STL           | Improved upload and maintenance of Uninstructed Imbalance and Testing | High            | 55                  |

| Tariff Values in Settlements       |           |  |        |                  |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--|--------|------------------|
| SEM_PC_CR210                       | STL       | Provide a separate exchange rate for Capacity Invoicing calculations | High   | 128              |
| SEM_PC_CR201                       | CRM       | Supplier and GU SRA Overview in TRM                                  | High   | 42               |
| SEM_PC_CR200                       | MI        | Max Limit of 6 SRAs per PT in MI                                     | High   | 172              |
| SEM_PC_CR187                       | MI        | MOI Batch Functionality  | High   | 336              |
| SEM_PC_CR228                       | CRM       | Calculation of Forecast ENG-CAP price in TRM                         | High   | 458              |
| SEM_PC_CR190                       | TRM       | SRA Cancellation in TRM  | High   | 770              |
| SEM_PC_CR231                       | MI / STL  | MISTL DLY PUSH Event Window  | High   | 480              |
| SEM_PC_CR234                       | STL / FIN | Currency Costs calculation in Axapta and transfer to Settlement      | High   | 120 <sup>1</sup> |
| SEM_PC_CR178                       | MI        | Standing Bid Conversion Event  | High   | 228              |
| SEM_PC_CR203                       | MA        | Displaying UUC Penalty Costs in MA                                   | Medium | 142              |
| SEM_PC_CR240                       | STL / FIN | Bad Debt Smearing Process - DEFERRED                                 | High   | 0                |
| SEM_PC_CR215                       | STL       | MSQ In Public Settlements Reports                                    | High   | 25               |
| SEM_PC_CR192                       | STL       | MSQ in Capacity PIR Report   | Medium | 40               |
| SEM_PC_CR198                       | MI        | Additional COD Validations   | High   | 652              |
| SEM_PC_CR224                       | STL       | Ad-Hoc flag in Type 3 statements                                     | Medium | 1740             |
| SEM_PC_CR193                       | MI        | TLAF publishing in the MPI   | High   | 432              |
| Total Hours for ABB/Navita Changes |           |  |        | 7540             |

**Table 1: Priority List (15-Sep-2010) : ABB/Navita Changes**

| Bearing Point Changes – Finance Application                                  |           |   |          |                  |
|--|-----------|---|----------|------------------|
| Provisional Prioritisation List as Proposed by SEMO on 15-Sep-2010 - Finance |           |   |          |                  |
| Cr Ref   | System    | Description   | Priority | Vendor Days      |
| SEM_PC_CR170   | FIN       | Payment Currency Costs  | High     | 25               |
| SEM_PC_CR235   | FIN       | Market Type required for each Open Transaction on Axapta        | High     | 2                |
| SEM_PC_CR233   | FIN       | Invoice Details applied to Axapta Sales Journals                | High     | 6                |
| SEM_PC_CR234   | STL / FIN | Currency Costs calculation in Axapta and transfer to Settlement | High     | 40 <sup>23</sup> |
| SEM_PC_CR241   | FIN       | Invoice Numbers in Axapta                                       | High     | 4                |
| Total Days for Finance System Changes (not incl. CR170)                      |           |   |          | 52               |

**Table 2: Priority List (15-Sep-2010) : Finance Changes**

The Finance system Change Requests were not for prioritisation as these are not covered by the vendor agreement for the provision of release hours.

The Chair also outlined the release capacity utilised to date by the Modifications change stream and the remaining capacity available which is summarised in the following table:

| Modification Proposals |           |  |              |
|------------------------|-----------|--|--------------|
| CR Ref.                | Mod. Ref. | Description                                    | Vendor Hours |
| SEM_PC_CR217           | 46_09     | Treatment of UIs for Pumped Storage Units      | 144          |
| SEM_PC_CR242           | 12_09     | Loss adjustment of SUC and NLC in CONP and MWP | 72           |

<sup>1</sup> Has a Finance System Dependency

<sup>2</sup> Has Settlements System Dependency

<sup>3</sup> CR234 covers CR170 functionality

|                                     |       |   |              |
|-------------------------------------|-------|---|--------------|
| SEM_PC_CR199                        | 34_09 | Global Settlement                         | 1,206        |
|                                     |       | Total Modification Capacity Usage         | 1,422        |
|                                     |       | Modification Capacity Surplus             | 2,008        |
| <b>Non-T&amp;SC Change Requests</b> |       |   |              |
|                                     |       | Unused capacity from Modifications stream | 2,008        |
|                                     |       | Non-T&SC Capacity Allocation              | 858          |
|                                     |       | <b>Total Remaining Capacity Available</b> | <b>2,866</b> |

**Table 3 : Summary of Available Release Capacity**

At this point a Participant noted that *Mod\_39\_10: Change of ESU algebra from Section 7 to Section 4* was still under discussion and should be considered. The Chair noted that the impact assessment outlined a capacity usage of 152 hours for this change and if approved in a timely manner SEMO would instruct our vendors to include this change in the release, subject to vendor capacity.

### **Prioritisation Discussions**

There followed a general discussion on the prioritisation of the changes proposed.

The following points were made:

- ESB in general were not in favour of changes that would affect interfaces with Participant systems. In addition the point was raised that the finalised design documentation for SEM R1.8.0 was delivered too late (the initial documentation set was in draft form) in the release schedule. In addition ESB indicated that participants should have input into the design and the schedule of releases. ESB noted that there may be too much capacity allocated in a release for the timelines of a bi-annual release strategy.
- In response the Chair emphasised the need to assess changes based on the cost and benefit to the market, and although impact to market participants systems was a necessary factor to consider it should not be the deciding factor. The Chair also noted that SEMO had issued SEM R1.8.0 draft documentation at participant request ahead of schedule. The finalised documents were delivered as per the scheduled communicated to Participants throughout the SEM R1.8.0 programme.

Regarding the bi-annual release strategy the Chair responded that this strategy had been developed and agreed with the Modifications Committee. It was also stated that if Participants had concerns in this regard then these should be raised with the RAs & Modifications Committee and that SEMO are happy to implement fewer releases if directed to by the RA's and Modifications Committee. It was noted that SEMO also have pressures for delivery of change and that release cut-off dates and business pressure for more frequent change were significant factors.

- NIE noted late changes to the MPUD for SEM R1.8.0 and requested that this and the approach to the releases in general be discussed in a separate forum.
- This Chair agreed to set up a follow-on meeting to facilitate this discussion.
- In general it was noted that the amount of hours for some of the changes were excessive.

- In response, the Chair stated that these would be raised with the vendors and they would be challenged as per the normal process.

Discussions relating to specific Change Requests were as follows:

- *CR225 Historical Cross-Border resettlement* was withdrawn by SEMO based on a cost/benefit assessment
- *CR240 Bad-Debt Smearing* was withdrawn by SEMO as an alternative solution was being investigated
- *CR198 Additional COD validation* was removed from the scope discussion as the number of hours were high and there was no representative from the organisation who requested it (ESBI) to put it forward. It was requested that the SDS inform ESBI of this outcome.
- *CR215: MSQ in public settlement reports* was included in scope as it was referred to the SDS by the Modifications Committee.
- *CR193 TLAF publishing in the MPI* was excluded from scope due to the excessive number of hours proposed. Further discussion around publishing an agreed format will be held. It was noted that SONI were now publishing a standard format however further follow-up was required with EirGrid.
- *CR224: Type 3 Statement Version Identification* was excluded from scope due to the excessive number of hours proposed. The SDS was requested to leave this CR “active” and to follow up with the vendors on a simpler solution (e.g. no change to filename but storage of the processing type in the header record) for possible inclusion in a future release.

### Resultant Scope Agreement

Following prioritisation discussions the following ABB/Navita Change Requests were proposed for inclusion in scope for the SEM R1.9.0 release:

| Proposed ABB/Navita CRs for SEM R1.9.0 as agreed by CCF |           |  |          |              |
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| Total ABB/Navita Hours prioritised                      |           |  |          | 2324         |

**Table 4: ABB/Navita CRs proposed for implementation by the CCF**

In addition the Finance application CRs outlined in table 2 (with the exception of CR170) will also be included in scope.

### **Next Steps/Actions**

- SEMO to circulate minutes of the CCF Meeting of October 21<sup>st</sup>.
- SEMO IT Manager to issue final recommendation report to the RAs.
- On receiving final Regulatory approval, SEMO IT will direct our vendors to include the CRs in scope (subject to vendor capacity).
- SEMO IT to publish complete scope to the industry immediately once finalised