

Wholesale Retail Code Change Proposal (CP) 046, 47 and 52

Modification proposal:	Wholesale Retail Code Change Proposal 046: CSD0301 Updates - Data Item updates - additional decimal place Wholesale Retail Code Change Proposal 047: CSD 0301 updates - Error Codes Wholesale Retail Code Change Proposal 052: CSD 0302 updates - alignment with CSD 0301		
Decision:	Ofwat has decided to accept these change proposals		
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Background

As part of testing of the Central Market Operating System (CMOS) test transactions inconsistencies and issues were discovered. These changes seek to bring the data items into line.

The modification proposal¹

United Utilities proposed WRC046 to maintain 4 decimal places in a number of data items. The number of decimal places was changed as part of WRC031 but this change has unforeseen problematic repercussions.

MOSL proposed WRC047 to update the list of error codes. The change updates the list in line with continued development of the CMOS system.

MOSL proposed WRC052 to make 4 small changes to CSD302 to keep CSD302 consistent with developments that have occurred in CSD301. The changes were not contentious.

¹ The proposal is available on the Open Water website

Interim Code Panel recommendation

At its meeting on 13 September 2016, the Interim Code Panel unanimously voted to recommend WRC046. Minutes of the meeting indicate Panel considered the change positively impact on the efficiency of the code and non-discrimination and Market Terms Objectives.

The Panel unanimously voted to recommend WRC047. Minutes of the meeting indicate Panel considered the change positively impact on the efficiency of the code, transparency, simplicity, cost-effectiveness and security and barriers to entry.

The Panel unanimously voted to recommend WRC052. Minutes of the meeting indicate Panel considered the change positively impact on the efficiency of the code, transparency, simplicity, cost-effectiveness and security.

Our decision

After review of the supporting documentation we have concluded that the implementation of WRC046, 47 and 52 are consistent with the Principals and Objectives² of the WRC. We consider confirming this change is consistent with our principal objectives and statutory duties.

Reasons for our decision

We are pleased the defects in WRC031 were identified and corrected following testing. We consider that the implementation of the other changes is necessary and positive for the continued development of the CMOS system.

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