

---

## February 2021 Standalone Release Circular

---

Date	16 November 2020	Purpose	For information
To	CVA Programme Circulares, SVA Release Circular distribution	From	Releases@elexon.co.uk
Title	February 2021 Standalone Release Circular: Revised Implementation of P408 Implementation date and participant testing		

---

### What is the purpose of this Circular?

This Release Circular notifies you of the revised implementation date of [Modification P408 'Simplifying the Output Usable Data Process as a consequence of GC0130'](#). P408 changes will now be implemented as part of the February 2021 Standalone Release, not as part of the December 2020 Standalone Release.

---

### What is included in the February 2021 Standalone Release?

The February 2021 Standalone Release includes one Modification, P408. It will become effective on **2 February 2021**.

Change Ref	Title	Status	BSC Systems Impacted
<a href="#">P408</a>	Simplifying the Output Usable Data Process as a consequence of GC0130	Approved	BMRS

---

### Who will the February 2021 Standalone Release impact?

P408 will remove the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) obligations on National Grid Electricity System Operator (NGESO) to publish data that is no longer mandated to be published by the Grid Code and will add obligations to publish new data. It will also simplify the obligations around the existing data. This modification impacts **NETSO** and **BMRS users**.

---

### Scope of changes included in the participant testing for the February 2021 Standalone Release

As earlier communicated and included in our test strategy in the [Release Circular](#) dated 28 October 2020, the changes relating to P408 will be available for early testing as part of the December 2020 Standalone Release participant testing. However, the test dates are now scheduled for **early December 2020** instead of early November 2020.

There is another opportunity for BSC Parties and BMRS users to take part in further Participant testing which would involve NGESO. This is scheduled for early January 2021. Further communication regarding this testing will be issued nearer the time.

---

### Where can I find more information?

For more details related to the Release, please see the [February 2021 Standalone Release webpage](#) or contact [releases@elexon.co.uk](mailto:releases@elexon.co.uk).

---