



FLASH RESULTS FROM MOSL BOARD MEETING 19 JULY

Business Progress Reporting

- The Board discussed the status of the MOSL programme being returned to amber and agreed that it accurately reflects the status of our programme of work against our ability to exit testing and enter the 'shadow market' phase at the beginning of October.
- The Board noted the outcome of the contingency planning workshop with Defra and Ofwat, which further supported the view that there is no foreseeable barrier to the shadow market phase beginning on time. The Board requested a further update after the Water UK-facilitated workshop with market participants.
- The Board noted that the second data iteration had now completed and that a large proportion of market participants had been able to load more than 90% of the data they submitted. The Board discussed whether market participants were loading full data sets and agreed that while MOSL could and should remind companies of the need to load all of their eligible premises, ultimately it was an Ofwat/Defra responsibility to assure that companies were adhering to the eligibility guidance.
- The Board noted that activity in the market participant 'sandpit' had increased during the month, with 1.6 million events having now been performed. However, many of the events/transactions performed are at the simplistic, rather than the complex, end of the spectrum.
- The Board noted that the privacy impact assessment has been published and that a data management protocol is to be circulated to the working group for review on 18 July. A number of further steps, including a code change, need to be actioned to achieve the 31 July milestone. The Board recognised that the industry needs to work together to achieve this deadline.
- The Board noted that all application information returns had now been received and that market entry assurance testing is planned to start 8 August. The Board also noted that the market entry assurance testing support team is in place and beginning to engage with market participants.
- The Board noted that Pat de Souza has replaced Gordon Hedge as Head of Programme.
- The Board questioned whether MOSL should be facilitating the upcoming national event for water wholesalers and retailers, given its other priorities. It was agreed that this was an important event for members and that MOSL was best placed to facilitate the event.
- The Board reviewed the budget and noted that MOSL had started to draw down the contingency funds previously approved to address the CMOS delays, in order to accelerate delivery and be able to exit testing and enter shadow market on time.

CMOS Update

- The Board noted progress with user acceptance testing of the low volume and high volume CMOS interfaces and were pleased to hear that participant involvement had commenced. The Board were encouraged by the progress made in Groningen (The Netherlands) through co-location of testing and build teams.
- The Board noted progress with user acceptance of the CMOS settlement engine and that confidence was increasing. The Board were pleased to hear that testing is on track to meet the defined quality gate on 31 July.
- The board discussed concerns raised by market participants on the synchronisation of the market participant sandpit (MPS) and user acceptance testing environments, noting the actions that had been taken by management, and were comforted by the positive feedback from the market participants who had raised the issue.
- As per the CMOS contract, the Board approved the form of agreement to place the source code materials in escrow.

Business plan deep dive

- The Board discussed and commented on a number of key principles that will inform the development of the 2017/18 business plan for MOSL as the enduring market operator.
- A 'Business principles and assumptions' paper will be prepared for the next Board meeting. Once agreed by the Board, it will be distributed to members for comment.