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CHANGE PROPOSAL PLAN

R0049 – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS AND SERVICES DATA MAIN BODY CHANGES

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CHANGE OVERVIEW

This Change Proposal has been raised by the Central Registration Services (CRS) Provider to address risks they have identified associated with Clause 13 of the REC Main Body, relating to Intellectual Property Rights (IPR). Operational realities that have emerged since the REC go-live mean that Clauses drafted prior to go-live may now need to be reviewed to reflect current CRS practices.

KEY MILESTONES

	FROM	TO
PARTY IMPACT ASSESSMENT	04/07/2024	26/07/2024
PRELIMINARY CHANGE REPORT AND CONSULTATION ISSUED	08/08/2024	08/08/2024
CONSULTATION	08/08/2024	30/08/2024
FINAL CHANGE REPORT ISSUED	10/09/2024	10/09/2024
RESPONSIBLE COMMITTEE DECISION	17/09/2024	17/09/2024
APPEAL WINDOW CLOSURE	01/10/2024	01/10/2024

1 SCOPE

1.1 IN SCOPE

This Change will only consider modifications to the REC Main Body and Schedule 1 – Interpretations & Definitions, in the context of the CRS Provider's IPR.

1.2 OUT OF SCOPE

The Code Manager is not considering any changes beyond those outlined in Section 1.1. If at any time during the progression of this Change information arises that causes us to re-consider, we reserve the right to amend the scope of this change.

2 REQUIRED ACTIVITIES AND STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

2.1.1 CROSS CODE ENGAGEMENT

No cross-code engagement is required for this Change Proposal.

2.1.2 ANALYSIS & SOLUTION DEVELOPMENT

Prior to the publication of this Change Proposal Plan, the Code Manager, the CRS Provider, and the Code Manager's legal counsel have collaborated to define the changes to the REC Main Body and Schedule 1 – Interpretations & Definitions. As a result, this Change proposal is being progressed with a fully defined solution.

2.1.3 IMPACT ASSESSMENT

The Code Manager does not anticipate significant impact for REC Parties as a result of changes to CRS Provider IPR provision within the REC Main Body. However, due to the central role within the REC played by the CRS Provider, the Code Manager will conduct a Party Impact Assessment to determine if there are any tangible impacts on REC Parties & Service Users.

The Code Manager has confirmed that CRS Provider, whilst impacted, will not need to undergo dedicated Impact Assessment activity. Whilst they are the proposer and the primary beneficiary of any proposed changes to the REC Main Body, their central role within the development of the proposed legal drafting means that they are already aware of their impact and will not need to develop or implement process changes to accommodate the proposed solution.

2.1.4 PRELIMINARY CHANGE REPORT DEVELOPMENT AND CONSULTATION

As there is a fully formed solution, the Code manager proposes issuing the Preliminary Change Report concurrent with the Consultation and proceeding directly into a 15WD Consultation Period. The Preliminary Change Report and the Consultation will be issued on 08 August 24, and the Consultation will close on 30 August 24.

2.1.5 WIDER STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

The Code Manager has not planned for any wider engagement beyond the standard Party Impact Assessment and Consultation period.

2.1.6 FINAL CHANGE REPORT

The Code Manager proposes to publish a Final Change Report on 10 September 24, ahead of a decision by the REC Change Panel on 17 September 24.

2.2 RAID

The Code Manager has not identified any risks, assumptions, issues, or dependencies relating to this Change Proposal.