MHHS Extraordinary Qualification Advisory Group (eQAG) Headline Report

Issue date: 28/10/2026

Meeting Number	**eQAG033.1**	Venue	**MS Teams**
Date and Time	**26 October 2026 1100-1200**	Classification	**Public**

Actions

Area	Ref	Action	Owner	Due	Latest update
No new actions were recorded.					

Decisions

Area	Decision Ref	Description	Rationale
M14 Decision	QAG-DEC140	eQAG to recommend to ePSG that T1-MI-5000 'All suppliers must be able to access MPANs under the new TOM (M14)' should be approved.	The Chair invited objections to the approval of the milestone, to which none were received.
Programme Qualification Governance Closure	QAG-DEC141	eQAG to recommend to ePSG the closure of the Qualification and E2E Sandbox Working Group (QWG) and Qualification Advisory Group (QAG).	The Chair invited objections to the closure of the governance groups, to which none were received.

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Key Discussion Items

Area	Discussion
IPA M14 Report	The IPA reported its independent assessment of M14 readiness, which considered whether the Programme's assessment of the four M14 Acceptance Criteria provided a fair and accurate view of readiness and whether the criteria were complete or sufficiently on track to support M14. The IPA outlined both of its assurance questions as Green and noted that its assessment was consistent with the Programme's position that Criteria 1 and 3 were on track while Criteria 2 and 4 were complete. The IPA had not identified any central risks or issues that would prevent the M14 decision. The IPA noted that since paper publishing, only one participant was expected to be subject to sanctions under MHHS QA&P Annex 4. However, the IPA noted the resulting risk to Migration as low given the participant's small MPAN and volume market share as well as their expected route to Qualification through subsequent PABs ahead of M15. The IPA recommended that the Programme continue to track the two remaining M14 Acceptance Criteria and report their final status at ePSG on 27 October 2026 as well as continue monitoring residual and wider Programme risks.
Qualification RAID Review	The Programme reported that the Qualification risk position had reduced as M14 approached, with R1295, R1296 and R1251 closed. With regards to R1265, the Programme outlined that no issues have been observed since the 19 October 2026 ISD publish and go-live on 26 October 2026, consequently this risk is expected to be closed at the M14 decision. With regards to R1284, the Programme confirmed that all Suppliers with unqualified MPIDs would be notified of their failure to qualify by M14 and would be subject to sanctions. For unqualified MPIDs with no MPANs registered against them, a block would be applied at CSS. The Programme noted that several MPANs had progressed through PAB for approval of their MPID intention plans, supporting migration from legacy MPIDs to MHHS qualified MPIDs within the M15 window. The Programme added that Code Bodies had confirmed Suppliers operating a mixture of qualified and unqualified MPIDs had obtained PAB approval of their MPID intention plans and understood they would not be able to register new customers to unqualified MPIDs following M14.

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	The Programme highlighted that this residual risk would therefore not be closed but would continue to be monitored and mitigated through M15 risk management. The Programme noted this gives a clean cut-off from an M14 perspective.
Enduring Qualification Update	BSC and RECCo provided a status update on M14 Critical PPs in the Enduring Qualification process. **Elexon (BSC)** BSC reported that the majority of M14 Critical Suppliers had achieved Qualification, including the latest participants approved on 14 October 2026 PAB, due to complete Service Activation and go live the w/c 26 October 2026. They added that one M14 Critical Supplier remained within the Enduring Qualification process and was subject to Level 4 Escalation. The participant is targeting Qualification in December 2026 or January 2027, dependent on the pace of QTF testing. **RECCo** RECCo reiterated BSC's update, confirming that one Supplier remained within the enduring route, with all other relevant Suppliers complete.
M14 Decision	The Programme summarised the approved M14 decision choreography. They noted that following the eQWG on 23 October 2026, eQAG was asked to recommend M14 to ePSG for the final decision on 27 October 2026. The Programme confirmed Criteria 2 and 4 have been completed, with Criteria 1 and 3 remaining. **Criterion 1** For Criterion 1, the Programme confirmed no issues attributable to the Programme, DIP Manager or Code Bodies that might have affected Suppliers' ability to achieve M14 have emerged. They added that one Supplier remaining in Level 4 Escalation and Enduring Qualification has accepted that its outstanding Qualification was not due to central issues and therefore will not prevent the M14 decision from proceeding. The Programme noted that 17 MPANs were registered to the Supplier, resulting in the M15 risk being very low. BSC reported that Qualification service levels had remained consistent across Participants in Waves 1 to 4. They confirmed no central issues or blockers preventing Participants progressing to their target PAB dates and thanked the central teams, PAB members and Participants for their engagement and delivery against the required timeframes. RECCo reported no central Qualification issues, no breaches of SLA by the REC Qualification Manager and no issues preventing Qualification in a timely manner. They also thanked Elexon, QAG, QWG and Deloitte for their constructive engagement, describing the progress as a team effort.

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	Criterion 3 For Criterion 3, the Programme noted no issues with the additional 09 October 2026 ISD publication undertaken to accommodate a Supplier or the latest 19 October 2026 publication. The DIP Manager noted that the number of Wave participants classified as off track, defined as participants at risk of or missing their Service Activation deadlines, had remained very low or at zero during the preceding six months. They also confirmed that the target for production DIP invitations was issuance within 48 hours Qualification confirmation, had been issued on the same day or within 24 hours, with zero invitations recorded outside the target. BSC, covering for Elexon, reported that Wave 3 Service Activation was complete and that 38 of 43 Wave 4 participants had completed Service Activation. They confirmed that there were no central issues or concerns associated with either the ISD process or Service Activation. **M14 Decision** Based on the evidence that was brought to eQAG, the Programme sought recommendation for the approval of the Tier 1 M14 milestone. **RECCOMENDATION** eQAG recommend to ePSG that T1-MI-5000 'All suppliers must be able to access MPANs under the new TOM (M14)' should be approved (**QAG-DEC140**). No objections or comments were raised.
Programme Qualification Governance Closure	The Programme outlined a clean closure for Qualification governance, noting that no residual activity remained that could not be transferred into the M15 workstream. **RECCOMENDATION:** eQAG recommend to ePSG the closure of the Qualification and E2E Sandbox Working Group (QWG) and Qualification Advisory Group (QAG) **(QAG-DEC141)**. No objections or comments were raised.
Summary and Next Steps	The Chair thanked attendees for their commitment, support and transparency throughout Qualification.

Next meeting: QAG governance group is expected to be stood down.

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Attendees

Chair

Adrian Ackroyd (alternate for Warren Fulton)	MHHS SRO/Chair

Industry Representatives

Andrew Wallace (alternate for Jonny Moore)	RECCo Representative (as Qualification Agent)
David Moss	Elexon Representative (as Qualification Agent)
Graham Wood	Large Supplier Representative
Andrew Green	Large Supplier Representative
Clare Hannah	Supplier Agent Representative
Rachel Stringfellow	Medium Supplier Representative
Stuart Pitcher	DIP Manager
Erik Baguzis	iDNO Representative
Helen Clarke	Supplier Agent Representative (Independent)

MHHS IM

Malinsa Abeysundara	PMO
Kathrine Hamblin	PEC Team
Jason Brogden	Programme Industry SME

Other Attendees

Liam Evans	IPA
Andy MacFaul	Ofgem
Tim Webb	Ofgem
Adam Jessop	BSC Enduring Qualification Team
Sean Dryden-Woods	RECCo Enduring Qualification Team

Apologies

Warren Fulton	MHHS SRO/Chair
Seat vacant	Small Supplier Representative
David Yeoman	DNO Representative
Gareth Evans	I&C Supplier Representative
Jonny Moore	RECCo Representative

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