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# M10 Contingency Scenarios

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The Programme has been contingency planning to see what action might need to be taken by the Programme and all of industry if certain conditions are not met through M10 decision-making.

**To be clear, the Programme is still progressing on the basis of delivering to the Cutover Plan and to meet M10**, but this exercise is to prepare for any exceptional circumstances, given the level of risk currently being carried by the Programme.

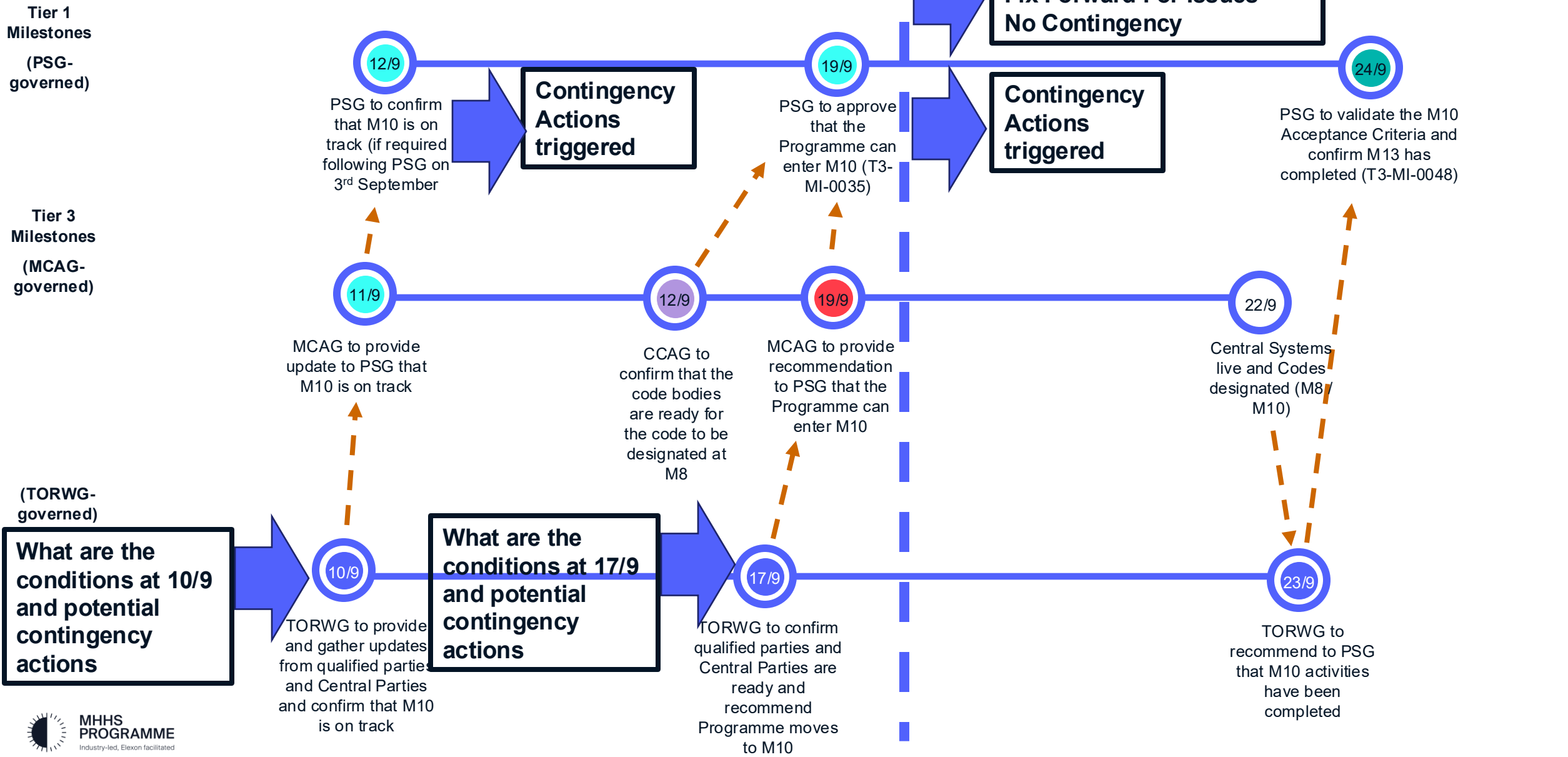
The Programme has engaged with all Central Parties, LDSOs and M10-Ready Suppliers to inform contingency plans.

It should be noted that the Programme has not undertaken a formal impact assessment of any contingency options, it has relied on engagement (workshops and bilaterals) to inform the current position. As such, the Programme has set out a number of assumptions associated with these options and it is very important for all Programme Participants to check and validate these assumptions. **All contingency options require actions from some industry parties to vary from existing cutover plans.**

We have adapted this work as it has progressed and it became clear that the work needed was to consider the actions that might be required at the decision points for M10, given any conditions of decisions made.

We have confirmed that BSC, REC and DCUSA changes can Go-Live on 22/9 with no impact on systems delivery, therefore **M8 will continue as is at 22/9**

# Overview of Proposed M10/M11 Decision Choreography



## Potential Conditions at 10/9 Pre-TORWG

Already known conditions:

- Helix Release 25.14.3 planned for 16/9 pre-M10 with D0082 functionality
- Helix Release 25.14.4 planned for 2/10 post-M10 with D0043 & D0079 functionality

Known risks that might result in potential conditions:

- Elexon No Go decision 10/9
- Outstanding issues with ISD in advance of publication
- Further Helix delivery issues or outstanding functionality following Programme assurance review
- Central Parties to self-declare M10 readiness issues/risks
- LDSOs to self-declare M10 Readiness issues
- M10-Ready or M11-Ready Suppliers and Agent delays
- Not all LDSOs qualified for M10 (we will know about this in advance of TORWG 10/9 so can take that into account through stages of decision choreography if it is realised)

Principles to be applied to any contingency action:

- There must be continuity of SF runs with all reports for Settlement Dates (e.g. DUoS reports for LDSOs and Suppliers)
- MPRS9 SoLR patch needs to be installed at LDSOs before the live v12 ISD load

## Contingency Plan 1 – Elexon Central Services Deferred

If there is a “No Go” from Elexon 10/9 or if at PSG, the decision is that Elexon Central Systems should not be deployed 22/9, continue with deployment of all other systems at all other Programme Participants for 22/9 and wait for Elexon Central Services to be available:

- Elexon does not execute cutover to transfer operational services to Helix, but continues to run SVAA systems and services for all Settlement Dates until such time as a cutover to VAS is approved by PSG (as per Settlement Dates 21/9 and before)
- Elexon will make any necessary changes to MDD (e.g. GSP Group Scaling Weight End Dates in Entity 19) or any other associated data and this will be adopted by any other industry parties where necessary
- All Industry Participants continue to receive legacy flows from Elexon as is
- The new New Connections process will be operated from 22/9
- ISD v12 will be published and loaded by industry participants
- The industry would be in fix forward mode for any issues identified from PSG decision 12/9

**The above arrangements will continue until such time as Helix Central Services are ready for cutover and are not time-bound**

**M10 will not be met at 22/9, due to Elexon Central Services not being live, therefore discussions will be required with Ofgem**

Assumptions:

- All industry parties can Go-Live with their MHHS functionality at 22/9 without impact with only legacy arrangements running (this has been the feedback through engagement, but not confirmed by formal Impact Assessment)
- Retaining SVAA has no impact on industry as industry will continue to process existing settlement flows as now and as planned post-M10 (including continuity in DUoS billing flows from SVAA)
- Elexon are able to operate as above, including supporting the new New Connections process
- Elexon can execute any activities to support the above over the weekend 20/21 September following any PSG decision 19/9

## Contingency Plan 2 – What to do if Contingency Plan 1 is not feasible at 12/9

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Industry will have to prepare to delay implementation of their MHHS systems and processes to a date later than 22/9

The question is then what lead time industry requires in order to deliver that change.

LDSOs have previously said that 18/9 am is the latest time to update the feature switch in MPRS9.

The Programme will likely need to assess decision-making as a consequence

Question – what is the lead time for parties to be notified of a change from 22/9 to their Go-Live Date and implement any necessary changes to support a new Go-Live Date?

### Contingency Plan 3 – What to do if ISD cannot be published by PSG 12/9?

ISD v12 will be published on the Programme Collaboration Base at the same time as the URL is released to the Elexon website in case there are issues with the URL

Question – What is the latest date for publication of ISD that would allow parties to still be able to Go-Live on 22/9

**PSG 12/9:**

- **As long as there are no significant issues with non-Helix participants and Contingency Plan 1 is feasible, the Programme will recommend that industry Go-Live on 22/9 regardless of any conditions associated with Elexon Helix**
- **On the basis that Contingency Plan 1 can be executed, the decision as to whether to put Elexon Helix live can be deferred to 19/9 if there are conditions that need to be met in the interim**

**Recommendations to TORWG 10/9 and MCAG 11/9 will reflect the above, subject to confirmation through the PPIR**

**If there are material issues with Contingency Plan 1, PSG will have to consider whether M10 is feasible and what action to take given the responses to this PPIR**

**PSG 19/9:**

**PSG decision on whether Elexon Helix has met any conditions associated with PSG decision 12/9 and on that basis, either:**

- **Agree for Elexon Helix to Go-Live 22/9 and execute cutover activities over the cutover weekend**
- **Defer Elexon Helix Go-Live and set a date to review the decision for Helix Go-Live. Agree with Ofgem the next steps to agree a revision to M10.**