

Background

Modification IGT173 aims to update the mechanism of delivery of the RPC files from email/portal to IX delivery.

IGT173 has been approved by the IGT UNC Panel, and XRN 5720 has been approved by the DSC Committee. Both changes are targeting the Nov 2024 release for implementation.

To support delivery, a testing window for volunteering parties is being created ahead of delivery.

Only a small number of parties have expressed interest in testing as part of the modification responses.

Pre implementation testing is not planned for all IGT modifications; the approach for IGT173 will be bespoke. As part of IGT173 approval, the testing approach will require panel review ahead of commencement of the testing window.

Workgroup discussions

In the July and August workgroups, members have discussed the E.ON outlined testing approach, this includes:

- The testing window – 1st-18th Oct
 - This is to simulate live running as closely as possible.
- The file issuing approach – all volunteering IGTs will issue to all volunteering shippers.
- The check in approach – weekly kick off / wrap up calls to be held to bookend the weeks, and the remaining days the testers will agree to stand up, or stand down the calls.
- CDSP PM support – the Nov 24 project manager will support and join calls where required (initial kick off call as a minimum).
- CDSP issues management support – mailbox provided and the PM will act as additional support where issues linked to the CDSP arise.
- File content – As the modification does not have any business requirements on the content the IGTs may choose to populate with dummy or live replicating data, the workgroup supported either being populated by the issuing IGTs.
- Testing evidence – A testing template has been created to provide a foundation of tests to complete, should parties conduct more tests these are to be captured on the template.
- Evidence gathering – testing templates are to be issued to E.ON at the end of the testing window and a consolidated testing log will be created.
- Testing recommendation – Workgroup supported that at the end of the testing window the participating testers will recommend if IGT173 is ready for the Nov release and submit this recommendation to Panel for review and decision on proceeding with November implementation.
 - It is recognised that the panel date and implementation date are close together so workgroup recommended that an update is given at the Oct workgroup

meeting to give initial feedback on how testing is going and if any issues have been flagged to date.

Link to the latest WG presentation documentation: <https://www.igt-unc.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/IGT173-%E2%80%93-Testing-Approach-Overview-WG-Presentation-v4.pptx>

Link to the latest WG testing log documentation: <https://www.igt-unc.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/IGT173-Draft-Testing-Log-v2.xlsx>

Decision for Aug Panel

- 1) For panel to approve the testing approach outlined in this paper.

Decision for Oct Panel

- 1) For panel to:
 - a. Acceptance of late paper(s) outlining the testers recommendation based on the evidenced testing logs.
 - b. For Panel to approve November implementation for IGT173.