# BROADBAND CP MIGRATIONS AND CEASE TYPES

# A BEST PRACTICE GUIDE



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# 1 INTRODUCTION

This Best Practice Guide is designed to give Broadband Communication Providers ("CPs") an overview of the Broadband CP Migration process.

The design of this guide assumes that you have a working knowledge of BBCR & eCo Broadband.

Full CBT training on BBCR functionality is available to users via the BTWholesale Customer Training System (details of how to gain access to this are included later in the document).

Full CBT training is also available on eCo Broadband functionality for all users (details of how to gain access to this is also included later in the document).

BTWholesale also offer additional support on using BBCR via other Best Practice Guides. These can be located via the following link:www.btwholesale.com/bestpracticeguides

This information is provided for training purposes only and is subject to change by BT.

# 2 CP END USER MIGRATIONS EXPLAINED

A Communication Provider (CP) to Communication Provider (CP) End User migration enables a BT Wholesale CP to place a single order, without terminating and re-installing their assets. This reduces the downtime experienced by the End User and removes much of the cost associated with cessation and reactivation of service.

The following End User migrations can be supported:

A Local Loop Unbundling (LLU) Shared Metallic Path Facility (SMPF) Operator to a BT Wholesale ADSL Communication Provider.

A BT Wholesale ADSL Communication Provider to another BT Wholesale ADSL Communication Provider.

#### **MAC (Migration Authorisation Code)**

For the migration to take place, BT Wholesale must ensure that the migration request is genuine and that permission to allow the End User to move to another Communication Provider has been given by the losing Communication Provider. The MAC is a unique code which is used to validate that the migration order placed by the gaining Communication Provider is genuine.

MAC is owned and generated by Openreach on behalf on industry ,they affect both BT Datastream and BT IPstream products.

#### **Current MAC Format**

<"L"10 alphanumeric>/<5 alphanumeric> eg LBST1234567/DC22J

#### Losing Communication Providers: Obtaining a MAC from eCo.

Your End User will require a MAC to pass on to the gaining Communication Provider; this will be generated via eCo and can be obtained as follows.

Obtaining a MAC: eCo Thin Client Users

To obtain a MAC, eCo requires your service id and telephone number. The MAC will be generated on-screen. *Please refer to 'Appendix A - Obtaining a MAC code via eCo Thin Client 'for details of how to do this* 

#### Obtaining a MAC: XML users

A MAC request is submitted via an XML batch file as described in the XML File Transfer Definitions using the "Pre order check request" transaction. The MAC is generated from a valid request and returned in the Batch Response File. There is a limit of 100 requests per batch.

The XML File Transfer definitions and XML User Guide include "Provision with Migration" key. These documents are available from <a href="https://www.btwholesale.com">www.btwholesale.com</a> (Broadband community>Service>XML).

#### MAC Validation via XML eCo pre order check

As part of the eCo XML pre-order check, the MAC will be validated and if the MAC is invalid error codes will be returned. This will provide greater clarity of MAC failures during the pre-order check.

#### XML MAC Validation error codes

The XML pre order checker will return one of the following error codes should a MAC be invalid for any reason.

#### 4069

Supplied MAC key is valid

The Migration key supplied while raising Provide with MAC order is valid. Please be aware that although this is displayed as an error in batch response files, this code is for informational purposes only.

#### 4070

Invalid MAC Key format

This indicates that format of the supplied MAC key is invalid. Please check the input, amend and retry.

#### 4071

The MAC Code supplied has not been assigned for this telephone number For a Provide with MAC order, the Migration Key stored against the supplied DN is checked with the input Migration Key. On this occasion the supplied Migration key does not match the Migration key stored against the supplied DN. Please ensure that the input is correct, if it is, then contact the e-Contact helpdesk. Otherwise, please amend and retry.

#### 4072

MAC Check request failed or Timed-Out. Please try again

This is an internal error, generated while contacting the database responsible for validating the Migration Key. If this problem persists after a retry, then please contact the e-Contact helpdesk.

#### 4073

Supplied MAC key is Invalid

For Provide with MAC orders supplied Migration Key will be used to retrieve the Customer record. On this occasion this retrieval has failed because no such MAC exists. Please ensure that the Migration Key is correct, if it is then contact the e-Contact helpdesk. Otherwise, please amend and retry.

#### 4074

Invalid DN format

This indicates that format of the supplied DN is invalid. Please check the input, amend and retry.

#### MAC expiry

Please explain to your End User that an unused MAC expires after 30 days, in which case they will have to request another from you. As a losing Communication Provider, once you have issued a MAC to your End User you need do nothing further. If an End User forgets or misplaces the MAC, then you should supply the same MAC again as long as it is not time expired.

#### Gaining Communication Providers – Entering an order on eCo

End Users approaching you as their gaining Communication Provider may already have obtained a MAC as described above, or you can ask them to obtain one from their loosing Communication Provider. As the gaining Communication Provider you will be required to enter the MAC, received from the migrating End User.

#### Process overview of 'Provide with MAC'

This is a Provide order type, which includes a field which can be populated with the MAC.

The Provide with Mac process will support each of the following migrations:

- LLU SMPF to ADSL End User Migrations BT Datastream and BT IPstream (including MAX Products)
- BT Wholesale ADSL to BT Wholesale ADSL End User Migrations (BT Datastream and BT IPstream)

Note: Provide with MAC can be used for both LLU to BTW migrations and BTW to BTW migrations.

# <u>Process for LLU SMPF to ADSL and BTW ADSL to BTW ADSL End User Migrations – BT Datastream and BT IPstream (including MAX Products)</u>

- 1. An End User will request a MAC from their existing broadband Communication Provider
- 2. The End User will then provide this to you to enter onto eCo or XML as part of their order for a new BT Datastream or BT IPstream ADSL service
- 3. The MAC will be in the **format**: <"L"10 alphanumeric>/<5 alphanumeric> e.g. LBST1234567/DC22J
- 4. When you receive such a request, we strongly recommend that you conduct a test using the Availability Checker (Version 10 and above) to identify whether or not the existing broadband service is supplied by an LLU Operator delivered over an SMPF line.
  - http://www.btwholesale.com/pages/static/Community/Broadband Community/Coverage/ADSL Availibility Checker.html
- 5. If broadband service is delivered over an SMPF line by an LLU Operator the order must be placed as a '**Provide**' order type with the valid MAC entered in the appropriate field.
  - Please <u>do not</u> use the 'SPMigrate' order type for a migration from a LLU Operator, as this will be rejected (XML will return an error code of 7028).
- 6. The Provide with Mac order will be rejected if another order is already 'in flight'. The existing order will need to close before the Provide with Mac order can be placed.
- 7. Communication Providers can cancel an 'in flight' if the request is made within the standard cancellation lead times (normally CCD minus 1 day)

# <u>Alternative Process for BTW ADSL to BTW ADSL End User Migrations (BT Datastream</u> and BT IPstream)

- 1. An End User will request a MAC from their existing broadband Communication Provider as normal.
- 2. The End User will then provide this to you to enter onto eCo or XML as part of their order for a new BT Datastream or BT IPstream ADSL service.
- 3. The MAC will be in the format: <"L"10 alphanumeric>/<5 alphanumeric> eg LBST1234567/DC22J
- 4. The order can be placed as either a Provide order type or Generic Modify SP Migrate order type. Please <u>do not</u> use the 'SPMigrate' order type for a migration from a LLU Operator, as this will be rejected (XML will return an error code of 7028).
- 5. The Provide with Mac order will be rejected if another order is already 'in flight'. The existing order will need to close before the Provide with Mac order can be placed.
- 6. Communication Providers can cancel an 'in flight' if within the standard cancellation lead times normally CCD minus 1 day)

**Please Note:** If the MAC is not recognised it will be auto rejected with a cancellation reason of 'Invalid Migration Key'. This will be displayed in the 'Cancellation Reason' field on BBCR.

#### Ordering via eCo thin client

Please refer to 'Appendix B - 'Provide With MAC' screenshot'

#### Ordering Via XML

For those customers who wish to use Broadband XML, the XML File Transfer definitions are available from www.btwholesale.com (Broadband community>Service>XML).

From 7th November 2006, when migrating 10 or more End User orders with the same Customer Requirement Day (CRD), the XML interface should not be used. Instead please submit the Bulk Migration CRF.

#### **Gaining CP - Customer reporting**

Once the 'Provide with MAC' order is submitted you will have visibility of its progress via BBCR as follows:

Identifying provide with MAC orders

#### Provide Type

There is a column in BBCR called "Provide Type" which enables you to identify 'Provide with MAC' orders. The possible entries are:

Blank- MAC Field has not been populated.

**A -** MAC entered on the provision order was generated against a current ADSL service. **L-** MAC entered on the provision order was generated against a current LLU SMPF service.

If the 'Provide Type' column is not visible on your companies BBCR profile please refer to Appendix D – Report Administration for details on how to make it visible. Provide with MAC - Standard Order Flow

The table below shows the standard order flow for a Provide Type A

Type A

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Order Status	Order Sub-Status	Timing
Placed	Submitted	Day of issue
Placed	Acknowledged	Day of issue
Placed	Assigned	Day of issue
Placed	Committed	CAD - 1
Placed	Installed	CAD
Completed	Completed	CAD

The table below shows the standard order flow for a Provide Type L

Type L

Order Status	Order Sub-Status	Timing
Placed	Submitted	Day of
1 laccu	Gabrillaca	issue
Placed	Service Care Level	Day of
i iac <del>c</del> u	Set	issue
Placed	Assigned	Day of
i iaceu	Assigned	issue
Placed	Installed	CAD
Completed	Completed	CAD

Cancellations – If an order is cancelled for any reason then the cancellation reason will be displayed on BBCR in the 'Cancelled Reason' column. If there is a further explanation for the cancellation this will be shown in the 'Customer Notes' field

Delays – Standard EOI delay reasons apply on this order. Please refer to best practice guide 'Order Delay Reason Best Practice' for further details. This can be found at www.btwholesale.com/bestpracticeguides

### Losing CP's- Customer Reporting

Customers migrating away can be as a result of:

Customers migrating to an LLU Operator Customers migrating to another BT Wholesale Communication Provider

#### **Customer migrating to another BT Wholesale Communication Provider**

In order to identify a customer who are migrating to another BT Wholesale Communication Provider you need to the BBCR Lost Migration Report.

#### **Running the Lost Migration Report**

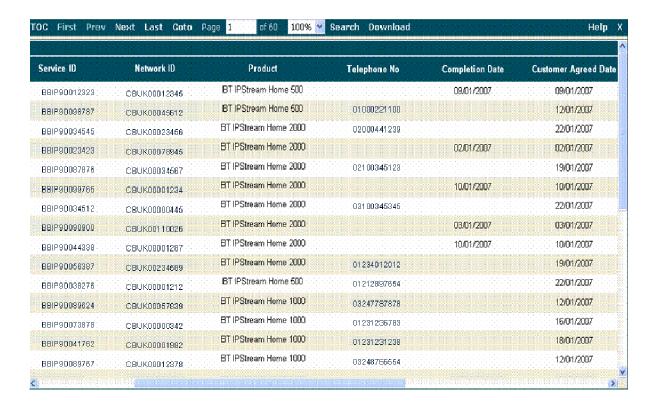
From the BBCR homepage click on the 'Orders' folder > Now from the list of report select 'Lost Migration Report V4'. This will load your lost migration report (see below for screenshot).

This report displays all migrations in progress (i.e. where an CP has issued an order using a MAC given to one of your customers) and those completed in the last 10 days

The Service ID, Network ID and Telephone Number are displayed on the report so you can identify the circuit which is migrating away. The MAC is also displayed.

The Customer Agreed Date is the date on which the migration will take place.

Once the order completes the date will be populated in the 'Completion Date' field and the 'Telephone Number' will be removed.



To download this report in CSV format please refer to Appendix C - Downloading the report in CSV format.

# 3 CUSTOMER MIGRATING TO AN LLU OPERATOR (AND OTHER CEASES)

#### Overview

Various systems and processes within BT create ceases for existing BT Wholesale BB services for the following reasons

- Cease of a PSTN service
- Cease of PSTN and BB service because the line has been converted to MPF
- Migration of BB to SMPF
- Data Cleanse Cease

In all these cases information is generated from the CEASE order type on eCo, and the eCo 'Customer Reference field is used to establish what type of cease this is.

There are a number of standard & system generated 'Customer references' but this eCo field is also 'free format' allowing CP's and BTW to generate new or stand alone 'Customer References' should they wish to do so (e.g. for a project)

In order to simplify this information BT Wholesale have created a new field on BBCR called 'Cease Type'. There are 4 new Cease and these Cease Types group together various 'Customer References' making the reporting easier to understand

# **Cease Types**

The following table defines the Cease Types now available on BBCR, a description of each Cease and how the Cease Type maps to the Customer Reference Field entry

Cease	Cease Description	Eco Customer reference	
Туре		field entry	
Cease (P)	Cease of PSTN service	PSTN CEASE	
	Narrowband Stop	PSTN CEASE	
	Narrowband Cease	PSTN CEASE	
Cease (M)	Narrowband Transfer	LLU XFER P	
	Cease of PSTN & DSL service	CeaseSD###	
	because line has been converted to MPF.	LLU XFER PSTN CEASED	
	Narrowband Transfer		
Cease (L)	Migration of DSL to SMPF	ADSL2SMPF	
	Broadband Transfer	SMPF4ADSL	
		ADSL2SMPF#	
		SMPF4ADSL#	
		IDMLLU	
	IPStream to WBC migration	IP2WBC	
		IP2WBCCP	
	Datastream to WBC migration	DS2WBC	
		DS2WBCCP	
	Service Ceased by Operator		
Cease	BT Wholesale data cleanse orders	CeaseSD#	
		IDM	
Null	Ceases that have a non standard	Other –Eco Customer	
	entry in the Eco Customer	Reference Field entry is	
	Reference field and cannot	none of above and can	
	therefore be tagged as (P), (M) or	include SP own free form	
	(L)	entry.	
	Tags on the line Cease	TOTL Cease	
Cease	Synchronised Narrowband Stop	WLR3 CEASE	
(W)	Synchronised Narrowband Cease	WLR3 CEASE	

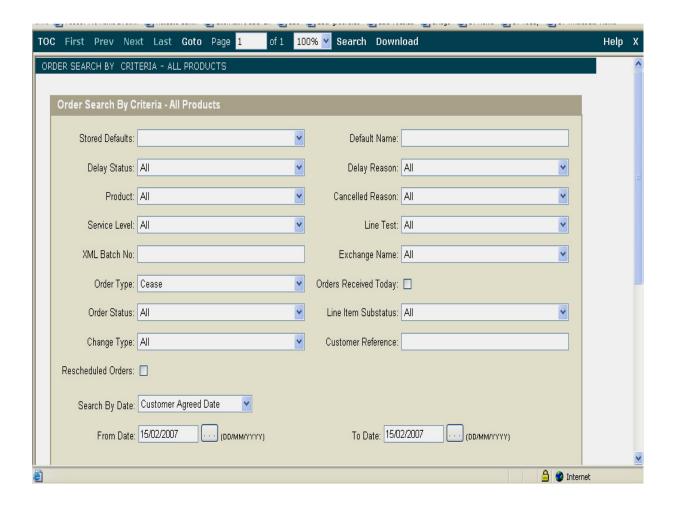
If the 'Cease Type' column is not visible on your companies BBCR profile please refer to Appendix D – Report Administration for details on how to make it visible.

Cease charges will be applied on eCo for the unsolicited cease only if the customer reference value is PSTN CEASE and WLR3 CEASE.

## **Running A Cease Type Report**

To run a cease type report you need to do the following.

From the BBCR homepage Click on the 'Orders' folder > Now from the list of reports select the 'Order Search By Criteria' report. The screen will now display the image below:



Choose Order Type of 'Cease' > Use the 'Search By Date' field to narrow down your search to the date range you are interested in (NB a maximum of 10 days may be searched at an time) > Scroll down & click on 'OK' button to run the report

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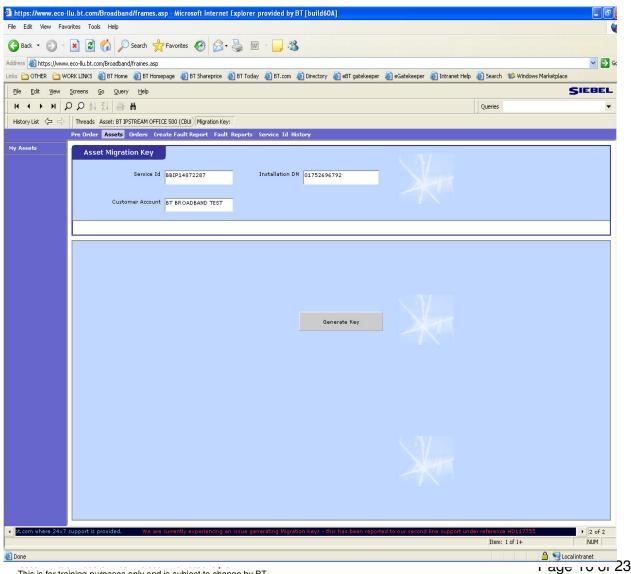
Running this will display an 'Order Summary Screen' with all the cease orders within the time frame you have specified. To download your report in CSV format please refer to Appendix C - Downloading the report in CSV format.

# APPENDICES

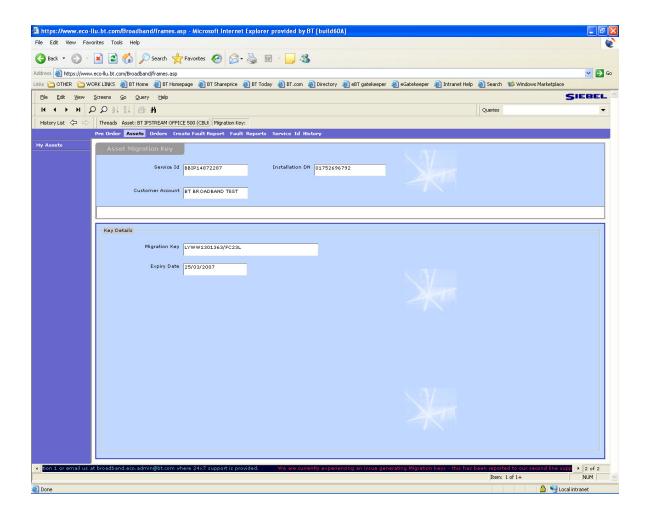
# Appendix A - Obtaining a MAC via eCo Thin Client

To obtain a MAC key you need to do the following:

Once logged into eCo BB click on the Assets tab > Select the circuit you want to generate the MAC for > Click on the 'Service ID' hyperlink (this will display the screenshot below) > Click on the 'Generate Key' button

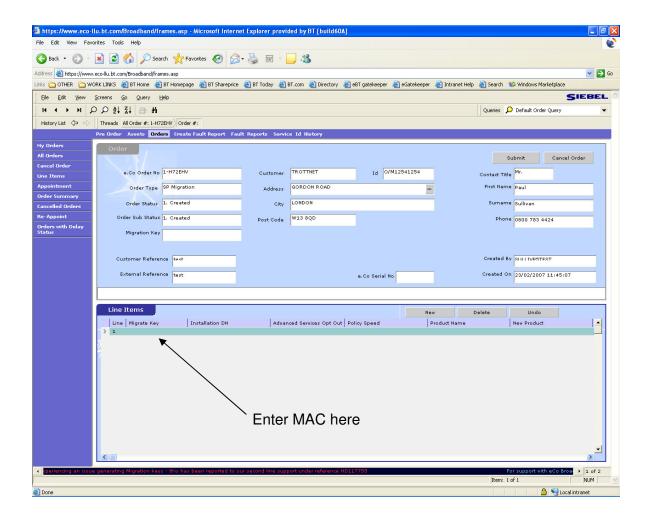


After pressing the 'Generate Key' button the MAC and Expiry Date will be displayed (see screenshot below)



# Appendix B - 'Provide With MAC' screenshot

When issuing a 'Provide with MAC' order the MAC should be entered when you reach the following screen in the order process



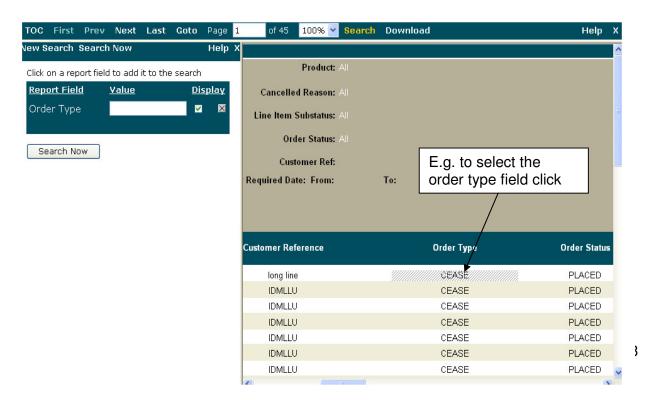
## Appendix C - Downloading the report in CSV format

The easiest way to do this is to use the 'Search' button (NB – Not the 'Download' button)

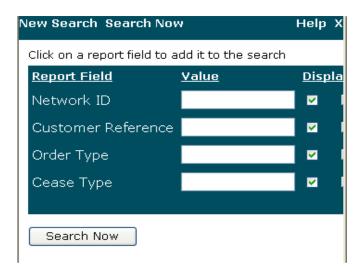
Click on 'Search' and you will see the following displayed on the left hand side of the screen



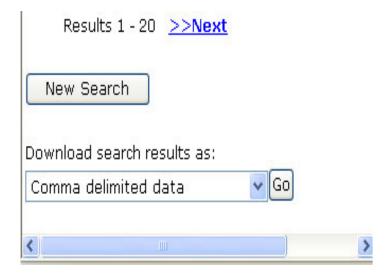
You now need to select each of the field from the 'Order Summary Screen' that you want to appear in your CSV report. For each field you want displayed select a value from one of the fields within that column (see screenshot below).



Once you have selected all the fields you want they will appear in the search area (see image below for an example).



Once you have all the fields you want in your report click on 'Search Now'. When the search has completed running you need scroll down to the bottom of the search area and click on the 'Go' button (see image below).



This will open up a 'File Download' screen which enables you to choose where on your PC you want to save the report. The report is now available for you to use.

#### Appendix D – Report Administration

In order to be able to run some of the BBCR reports detailed in this guide there are certain fields which need to be visible on your 'Order Summary Screen' e.g. 'Provide Type' and 'Cease Type'. If you are not sure whether these fields are visible your BBCR administrator needs to confirm that the field has been enabled for your reports. This is done using the 'Orders Column Administration Report' which is available within the 'Report Administration' folder.

Users with a BBCR administration profile can complete a CBT for the BBCR administration functions – details of how to access this CBT are covered later in this document. Also, a Best Practice Guide covering the Administration functions is available from the Best Practice Guide web site mentioned in section 1.

# **5 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

## 5.1 Access to Administration Functionality

Team leaders & managers can apply for access to Administration Functionality by contacting the *e*Contact helpdesk. You will need to provide your BBCR user ID. e-mail – <u>broadband.eco.admin@bt.com</u> or dial 0800 783 5639 and select option 1.

### 5.2 Access to BBCR e-learning & support documentation

A full suite of e-learning courses are available for BBCR users via the BTWholesale Customer Training System. Full details of how to access this system can be found on <a href="https://www.btwholesale.com/customertraining">www.btwholesale.com/customertraining</a>.

Additional Best Practice Guides for BBCR are available from the BBCR pages on btwholesale.com or via the following dedicated Best Practice Guide page www.btwholesale.com/bestpracticeguides

# 5.3 Document History

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	reasons	Product Line	

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