

UPDATE ON RE-PLATFORMING OF CURRENT CPS GATEWAY

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Further to the recent briefing (078/08) relating to the BT Wholesale plan to migrate the CPS Gateway to a new platform utilising updated hardware and software.

As previously reported; the re-platforming is being undertaken to ensure BT can continue to provide the level of system performance that CPSOs have come to expect. The new platform will provide improved systems performance to enable it to cope with forthcoming developments whilst maintaining sufficient performance headroom to provide (as a minimum) the same level of service CPSOs currently get from the CPS Gateway. A by product of this work is an expected increase in available capacity.

The current CPSG has a maximum capacity reckoned to be in the region of 1.2 million transactions per month. This level of capacity caters for "retain" orders generated via Openreach as well as the orders received from CPs via the CPSG and BTR orders received via internal BT systems.

The new platform is expected to provide an additional 50% processing power and should equate to a CPSG that has a total capacity of 1.8 million transactions per month. This increase in capacity will give BT Wholesale the capability to service the needs of CPSOs by dealing with requests for additional transactions, be they ad hoc requests or for migrations, where this has not been possible in the past. The capability of the new platform will not be confirmed until March 2008 but we expect the new CPSG to be able to process up to 80k transactions per day.

Further briefings regarding this work will be issued and updates will be given by BT Wholesale representatives at the CPS Industry Group meetings. If you have any queries please contact your BT Commercial Manager.

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