



**LETTER OF ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**Preparing for UKNI System Disconnection: Key Actions for OBPs**

19<sup>th</sup> December 2024

On 18 December 2024, the European Commission published the **Notice of Application for the Windsor Agreement**, confirming that the regulation will take effect on 1 January 2025.

Consequently, we can **officially confirm that the disconnection of the UKNI system from the EU Hub is planned take place at 23:00 GMT on 31 December 2024.**

From this date, uploading Product Master Data (PMD) with the market "GB" as a designated market will **no longer be possible**, resulting in an A-16 data validation error (#A16) and an A-22 "Market not found" error (#A22) will be added to the response. If an end-user tries to verify/(undo) decommission UKNI single market legacy packs in their possession after 1 January 2025, the EMVS will respond with a message notifying the end-user that the UKNI system no longer exists.

To avoid system errors and disruptions in the OBPs' product data uploads, **OBPs must update the PMD of their multi-market packs by removing the market "GB" from the designated markets as of 1 January 2025.** OBPs can remove the market "GB" by updating the last version of the affected PMD.

For more details on the necessary updates, please refer to the newly available Version 4 of EMVO's Q&A on the **Disconnection of Northern Ireland from the EMVS** [here](#). In this updated version, we are providing more clarification regarding the decommissioning of packs to Northern Ireland (see question 16).

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