

Change Control and Support Process for PSG Content Hub

Changes and bugs resolution process

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1. Change Identification and Categorization:

- **Identify the Change:** Determine the nature of the change, whether it's a new system addition, a configuration change, or a software update.
- Categorize the Change: Classify the change as either:
 - Emergency Change: Urgent changes required to address critical issues that could significantly impact business operations.
 - Normal Change: Routine changes that do not pose immediate risks and can be scheduled for the next available CAB meeting.

2. Emergency Change Process:

• Immediate Action:

- o Identify the responsible team and assign a change owner.
- Conduct a rapid risk assessment to determine the potential impact.
- Develop a detailed rollback plan to revert the change if necessary.

Approval Process:

- o Obtain approval from the relevant CIOs to proceed with the change.
- Document the approval process and rationale for the decision.

• Implement the Change:

- Execute the change as quickly as possible, minimizing downtime and disruption.
- Monitor the system closely to identify any issues.

• Post-Implementation Review:

- o Conduct a thorough review of the emergency change to identify lessons learned.
- Update relevant documentation to reflect the change.

3. Normal Change Process:

• Change Request Submission:

- o Complete a detailed change request form, including the following information:
 - Reason for Change
 - Business Motivation/Benefit
 - Impact on Other Systems
 - Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Processes
 - Monitoring Requirements
 - Business Impact
 - Level of Risk and Risk Reason
 - Process to Follow
 - Rollback Plan

Change Assessment and Prioritization:

 The Change Advisory Board (CAB) reviews and prioritizes change requests during weekly meetings.

Approval Process:

 The CAB reviews the change request, assesses the risks, and approves or rejects the change.

Change Implementation:

 The change is implemented according to the approved plan, with appropriate testing and validation.

• Post-Implementation Review:

 A post-implementation review is conducted to evaluate the success of the change and identify any lessons learned.

4. CMS Support Process

Issue Reporting:

- o All CMS-related issues should be reported to content@psg.co.za.
- o Sending an email to this address will automatically create a Jira ticket in the system.
- The Jira ticket will be assigned to the Support team.

Issue Categories:

- Define clear categories for CMS issues to facilitate better organization and prioritization. Examples:
 - Content Errors (typos, formatting issues)
 - Functionality Issues (broken links, missing features)
 - Security Concerns
 - User Access Issues

• Service Level Agreement (SLA):

- Establish an SLA for each issue category, outlining the expected resolution timeframe. This helps manage expectations and ensures timely fixes:
 - Content Errors (SLA: 24 hours)
 - Functionality Issues (SLA: 48 hours complex issues may require more time)
 - Security Concerns (SLA: Immediate action)
 - User Access Issues (SLA: 4 hours)

Communication:

- Automated responses within Jira to keep the reporter informed about the status of their ticket. These responses include:
 - Acknowledgement of receiving the issue
 - Updates on progress towards a resolution
 - Notification of resolution and potential follow-up steps (if needed)

Additional Considerations:

- **Documentation:** Maintain accurate and up-to-date documentation for all changes, including change requests, approval records, and post-implementation reviews.
- **Communication:** Effective communication is crucial throughout the change process. Inform relevant stakeholders about planned changes, potential impacts, and any issues that may arise.
- **Continuous Improvement:** Regularly review and refine the change control process to ensure its effectiveness and efficiency.
- **Security and Compliance:** Adhere to security best practices and regulatory requirements throughout the change process.