



Global Reinsurance and Large Commercial Insurance Program

Standards Update
2012 Cycle 1

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Objective

- Provide an overview of new functionality and enhancements to the GRLC Standards within the past 6 months (1st cycle of 2012).

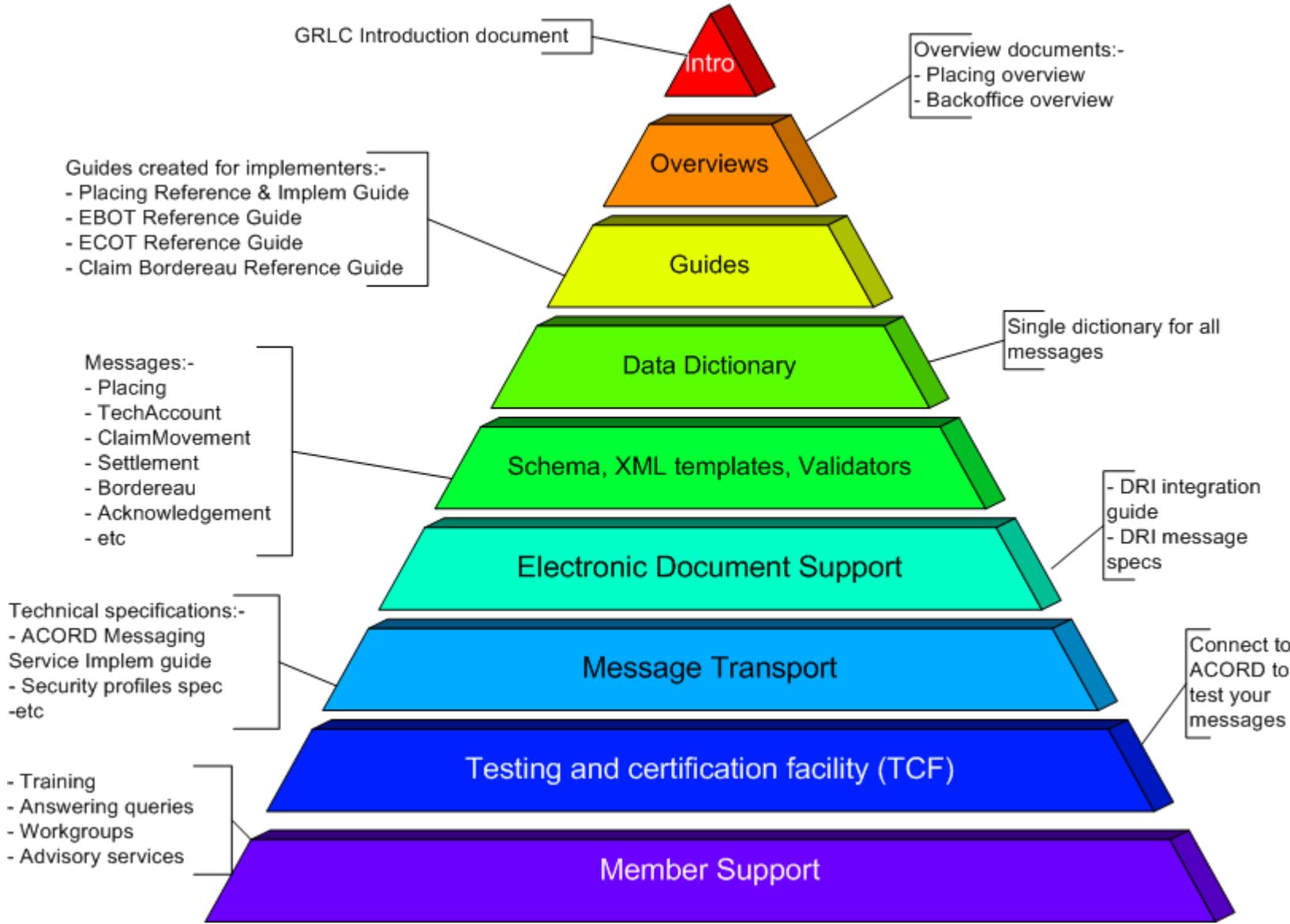
Outcome

- Participants will understand how changes to the GRLC standards impact their existing implementations.
- Participants will gain an understanding of the new functionality and enhancements available for use in future implementation projects.

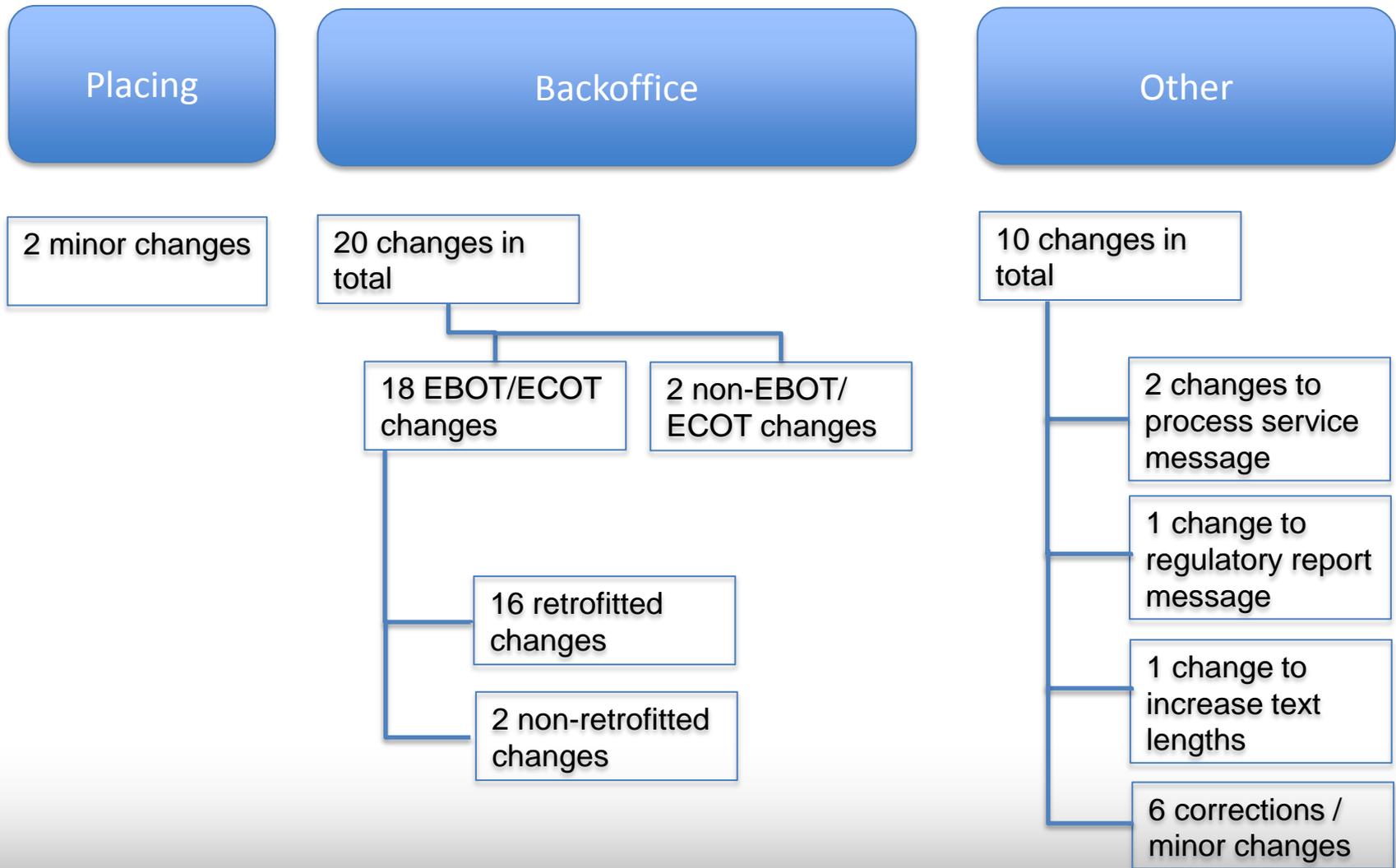
Audience

- Business Analyst
- Project Managers
- ACORD Certified Experts
- Business/Systems Architects
- Anyone who has a vested interest in the standards

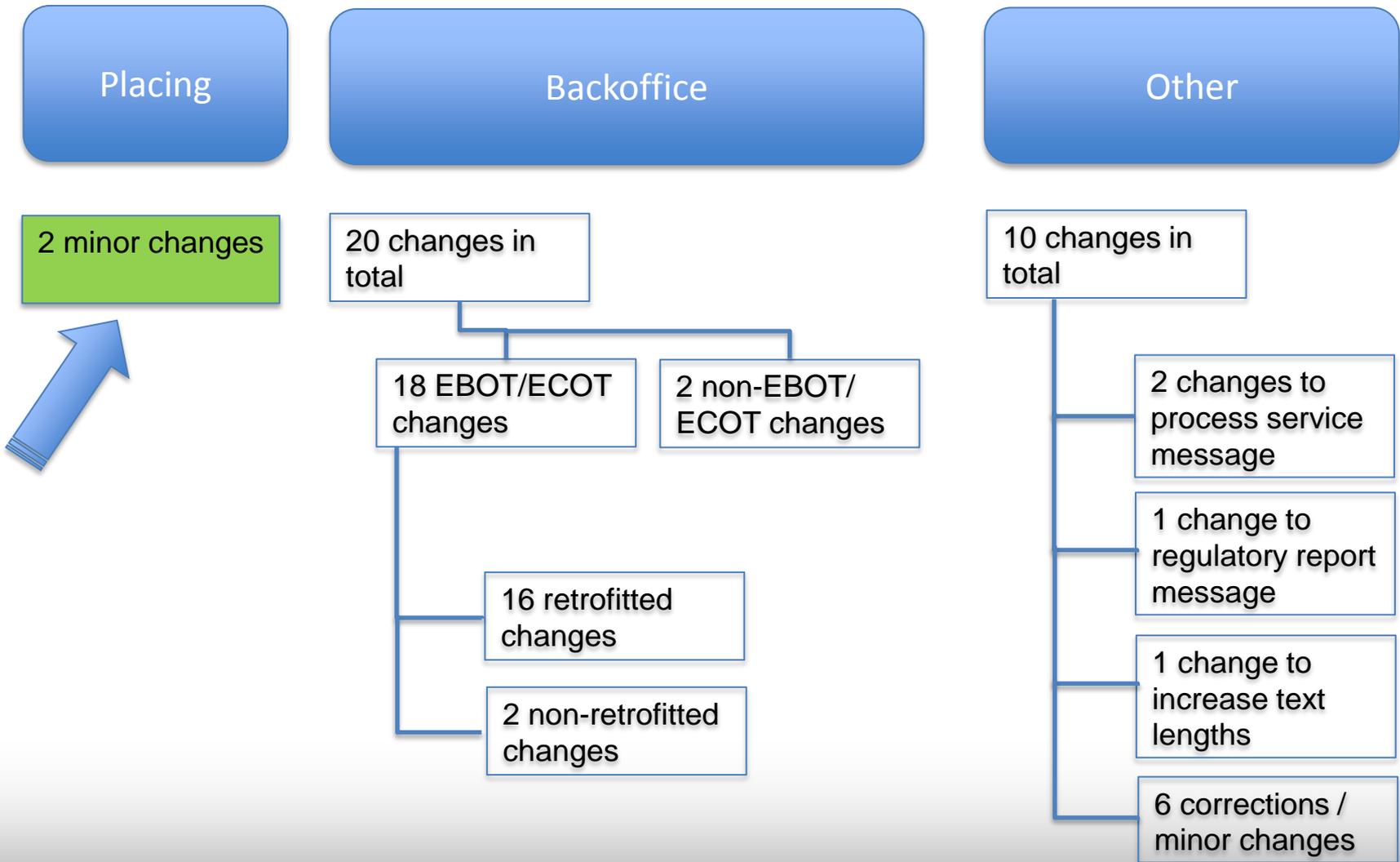
GRLC Resources that can be impacted



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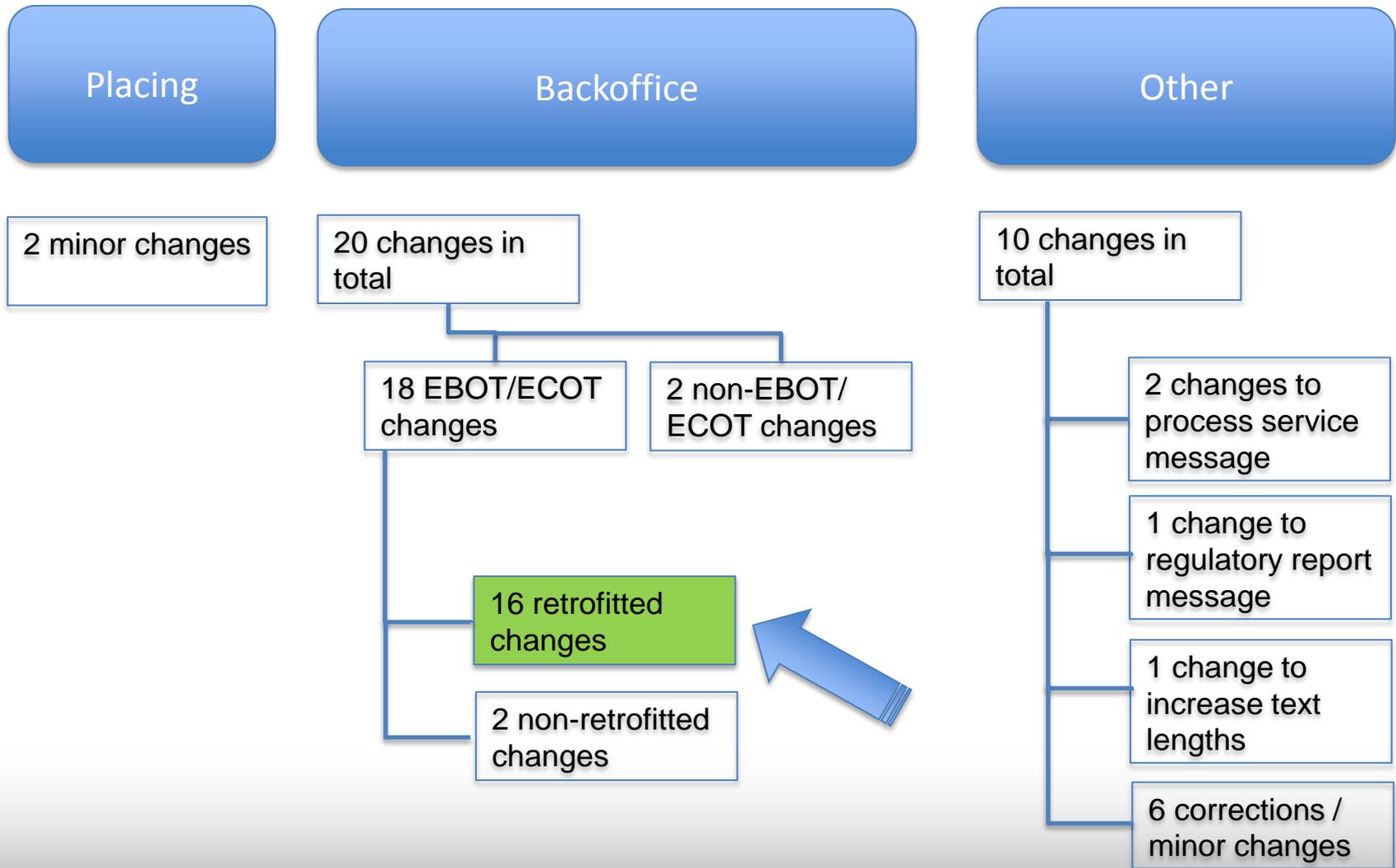
Placing changes - 1

MR ID's	MR 12-1-27926
ChangeType	Clarification
Standard	XML
Title	Placing Message Reference Guide - London Codelist update
Background	The Placing Reference Guide is the main document followed by Placing Implementers. The main implementation area is London, who are focusing all their efforts on implementation rollout of "Endorsements".
Description	Removed Annex E from placing guide (London market usage of class of business), because implementers no longer follow the limited set of codes that were in this annex [they use the full set of codes]
Impact on implementers	Zero impact – documentation change only

Placing change – 2

MR ID's	MR 12-1-27931
ChangeType	Changed Items
Standard	XML
Title	Add new class of business codes
Background	Although this change came from Placing implementers, it applies across many messages as the class of business code appears in most ACORD messages.
Description	Add the following new values for the class/line of business code:- 1) aviation_cargo 2) aviation_hull_and_liability 3) aviation_hull_deductible 4) aviation_spares 5) business_interruption 6) combined_property_damage_and_bodily_injury 7) construction_pollution_liability 8) construction_wrap_up 9) employment_practice_liability 10) financial_services_loss_of_license 11) marine_increased_value 12) marine_mortgagees_interest_and_additional_perils
Impact on implementers	These codes will be made available immediately. Senders who wish to use them should map to them as appropriate from their internal codeset. Receivers may receive these codes in future messages, and will have to map as appropriate to their own internal codesets

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Retrofitted EBOT/ECOT items – 16 changes

MR ID's	MR 12-1-27933/27934/27935/27936/27937/27945/27946/27947/27948/27949/27950/27951/27952/27953/27957/27982
ChangeType	Clarifications and Changed Items
Standard	XML
Title	Various [a number of changes were published in July 2012 that implementers agreed to 'retrofit', and which will therefore take immediate effect]
Background	EBOT and ECOT are guides for accounting, claims and settlement in GRLC. They are adhered to closely by implementers, and this provides plug and play functionality in the Global Insurance and Reinsurance markets.
Description	Various zero to low impact changes to EBOT and ECOT.
Impact on implementers	Implementers have updated the "best practices" document to adopt new versions EBOT 1.4.3 and ECOT 1.1.2 with immediate effect. However, there is no impact on their current implementations, all being zero impact (such as clarifications etc) or low impact (which generally were bringing the documentation in line with changes already adopted by implementers).

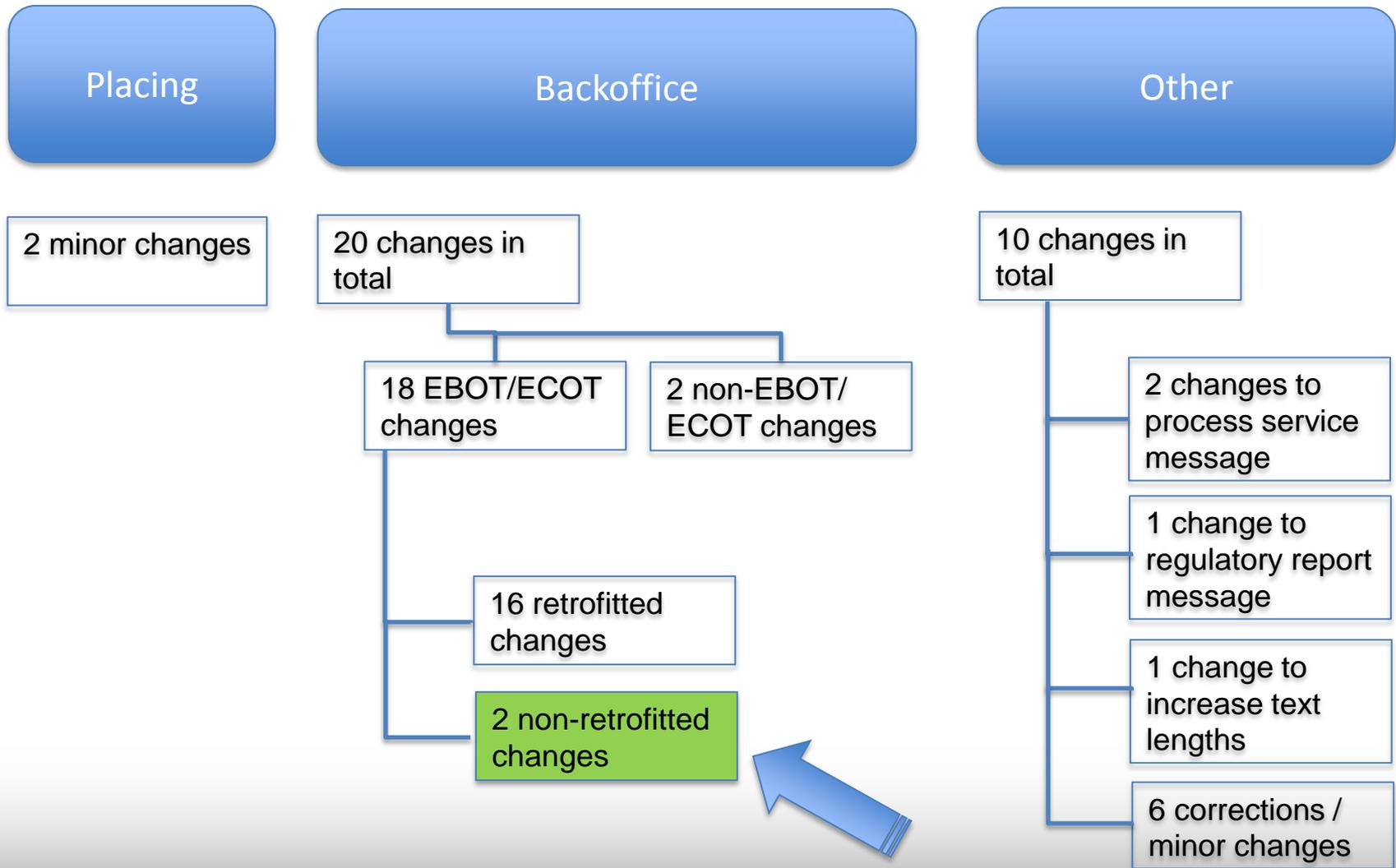
Retrofitted EBOT/ECOT – new data

27933	New optional "amount description" added to EBOT (already in schema)
27934	Correction - the balance amount in original currency already existed, but this change added the settlement currency amount to EBOT
27935	New optional "overriding commission %ge field added to EBOT
27937	New optional field added to EBOT to indicate high-priority of a transaction due to imminent premium payment warranty
27950	New fields added to EBOT for "Supraentity" (e.g. europe) and "Subentity" (ohio) in addition to "Country", which will allow more accurate breakdown of premium %gs over locations to be given
27951	New fields added to EBOT to indicate the location (supraentity, country, subentity) within the details of tax calculations, for when a tax only applies to one of several locations on the risk
27952	New code values (fees and commission) for the TechAccount transaction type added to EBOT
27936	New fields added to ECOT for "original policy" informational amounts - already in use in USA
27946	New fields added to ECOT to allow the inception and expiry dates for original policies (relates to facultative reinsurance contracts) to be given
27946	New field added to EBOT and ECOT that allows sender to group together messages relating to the same transaction across different layers of a reinsurance program
27946	New fields added to EBOT and ECOT that allow additional mechanism for giving the cross reference to supporting documents (for when the detailed document URL/ref is not known at the time of generation of the technical account)

Retrofitted EBOT/ECOT – guidance changes

27949	Schema already allows brokerage %ge details to repeat - and this change clarifies that EBOT also allows this
27947	New recommendations in EBOT regarding what amounts can be given. Based on 18months work on clarifying which amount types are actually used (cutting down from 240 possible types to 88 actually used in practice).
27946	New recommendation that supporting documents should be provided for adjustments, reinstatements and profit commissions
27946	New recommendation that cash loss amounts previously collected should not be included in the next accounting period treaty statement
27946	Change to rules to make the loss location mandatory in claim movements
27945	Previous requirement for 2-way crossreferencing between claim and account messages impossible for some implementers - this change recognises that fact and eases requirement to 1 way crossreference just from techaccount to the claim message
27982	Minor clarification at top level of EBOT to state that the latest versions require the 2010-2b or later schema to be used; and similar clarification at top level of ECOT that latest versions require 2008-1 or later schema to be used.
27953	Definition of the "business validation" level of response extended and included within EBOT (this does not change its current meaning - just clarifies it)
27946	Updated recommendations regarding Uuid in crossreferences - these were mandatory, but are now optional - because most systems allocate Uuid in gateway software, and so it is not available to applications to provide in cross references
27946	New recommendations that multiple technical accounts relating to the following transaction types should be grouped; adjustment premiums, proportional treaty statements, claim payment/related reinstatement premium. Also new recommendation that multiple claim movements relating to different currencies should be grouped.
27946	New recommendations relating to how receivers should manage incomplete groups (if not all items in a group received, reject after certain time at application_validation level)
27948	Small update to ecot to make completion of party details consistent across ebob and ecot

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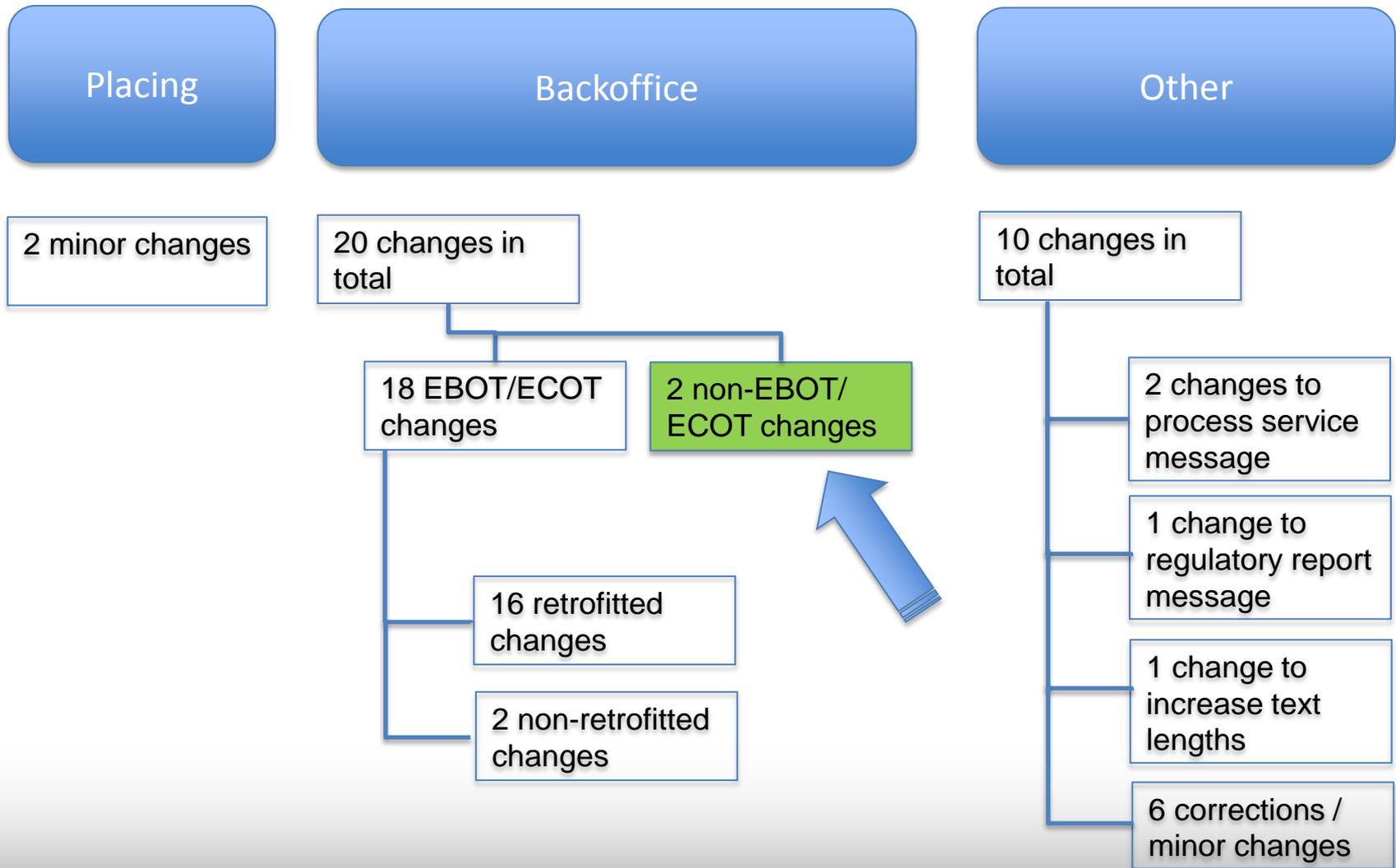
Non-retrofit EBOT/ECOT items – 1 of 2

MR ID's	MR 12-1-27963
ChangeType	Clarifications and Changed Items
Standard	XML
Title	Align and expand upon Supporting Document Recommendations in EBOT/ECOT
Background	EBOT and ECOT are guides for accounting, claims and settlement in GRLC. They are adhered to closely by implementers, and this provides plug and play functionality in the Global Insurance and Reinsurance markets.
Description	Mainly this change just amended the EBOT and ECOT to have identical descriptions on how to provide Supporting Electronic Documents – but one part amended the recommendations for “Channel Id” from ‘conditional’ to ‘mandatory’.
Impact on implementers	When adopted, most of this change will have no impact at all on current implementations. However, the change of “Channel Id” from ‘conditional’ to ‘mandatory’ will mean a change to senders’ systems. Therefore it has only been incorporated into the latest version of EBOT, which implementers will plan to adopt in a controlled manner at a point in the future agreed by all.

Non-retrofit EBOT/ECOT items – 2 of 2

MR ID's	MR 12-1-27961
ChangeType	Clarifications and Changed Items
Standard	XML
Title	Amend rules for TaxAmounts and TaxAmtItem reporting within the TechAccount message in EBOT
Background	EBOT and ECOT are guides for accounting, claims and settlement in GRLC. They are adhered to closely by implementers, and this provides plug and play functionality in the Global Insurance and Reinsurance markets.
Description	This is a change to the recommendations, and also a number of clarifications, regarding how tax amounts are reported in a Technical Account message. The main change to the recommendations is to allow tax amounts to be “signed” (+ or -) in the message, where previously the recommendation for these to be “unsigned”.
Impact on implementers	While this change is important to allow every possible combination of taxes to be reported, when adopted it will have a significant impact on senders and receivers systems. Therefore it has only been incorporated into the latest version of EBOT, which implementers will plan to adopt in a controlled manner at a point in the future agreed by all.

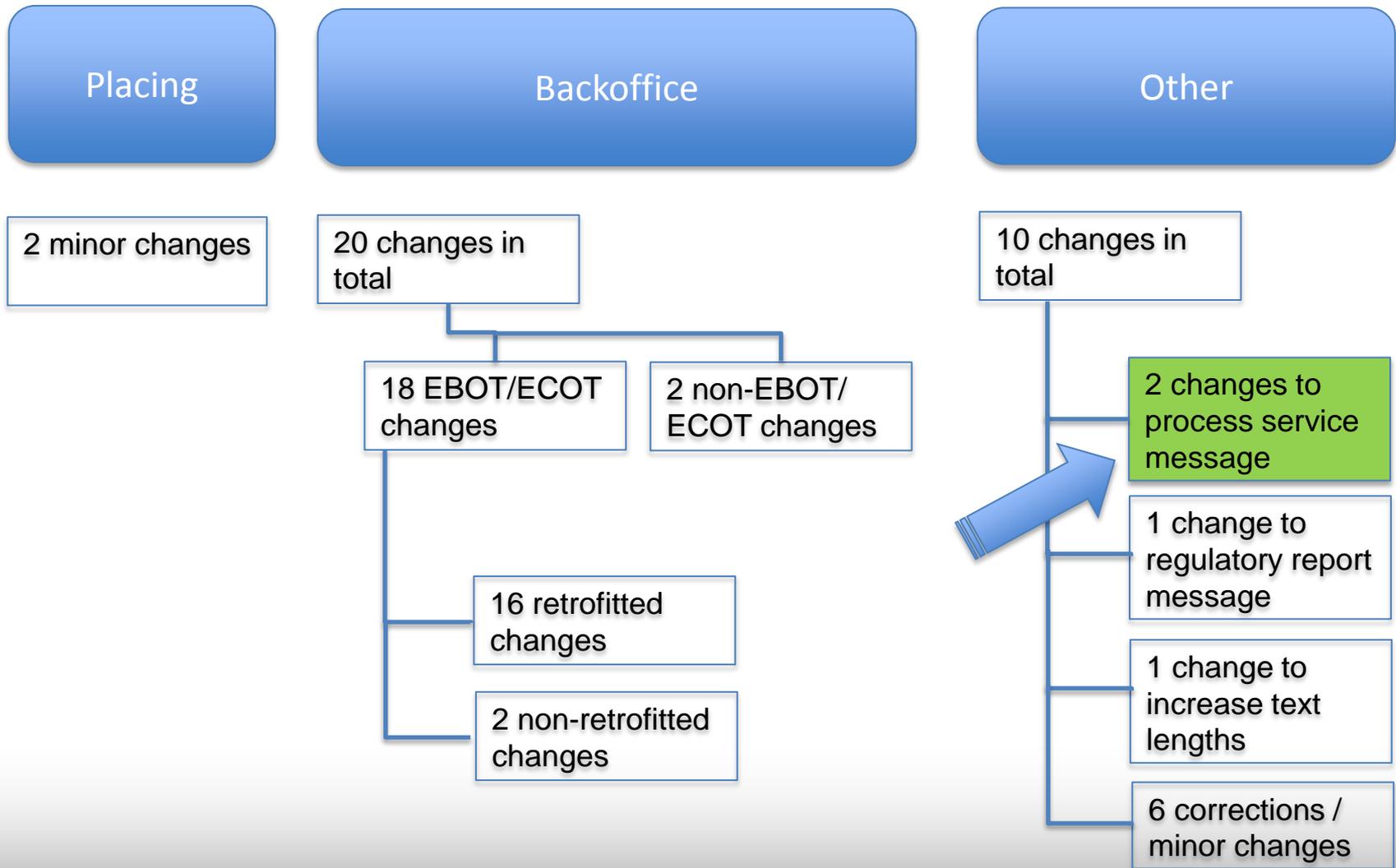
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2 new Account / Claim items

MR ID's	MR 12-1-27954/27955
ChangeType	Changed Items
Standard	XML
Title	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Add amount "Letter of Credit Outstanding" to TechAccount2. Add amount "Highest Estimate set by Leader" to ClaimMovement
Background	Within London XIS provides outsourced backoffice functions for carriers – and as part of this sends EDI messages to brokers and carriers in their own local standards. XIS also offer ACORD RLC versions of their EDI messages under a product called "ACORD4ALL".
Description	These changes add two amount items to ACORD messages which London organisations receive in the XIS EDI messages, but which are not included currently in the ACORD standard.
Impact on implementers	This only impacts ACORD4ALL message recipients in London. As these re effectively code value changes, they can be implemented without adoption of a new schema version.

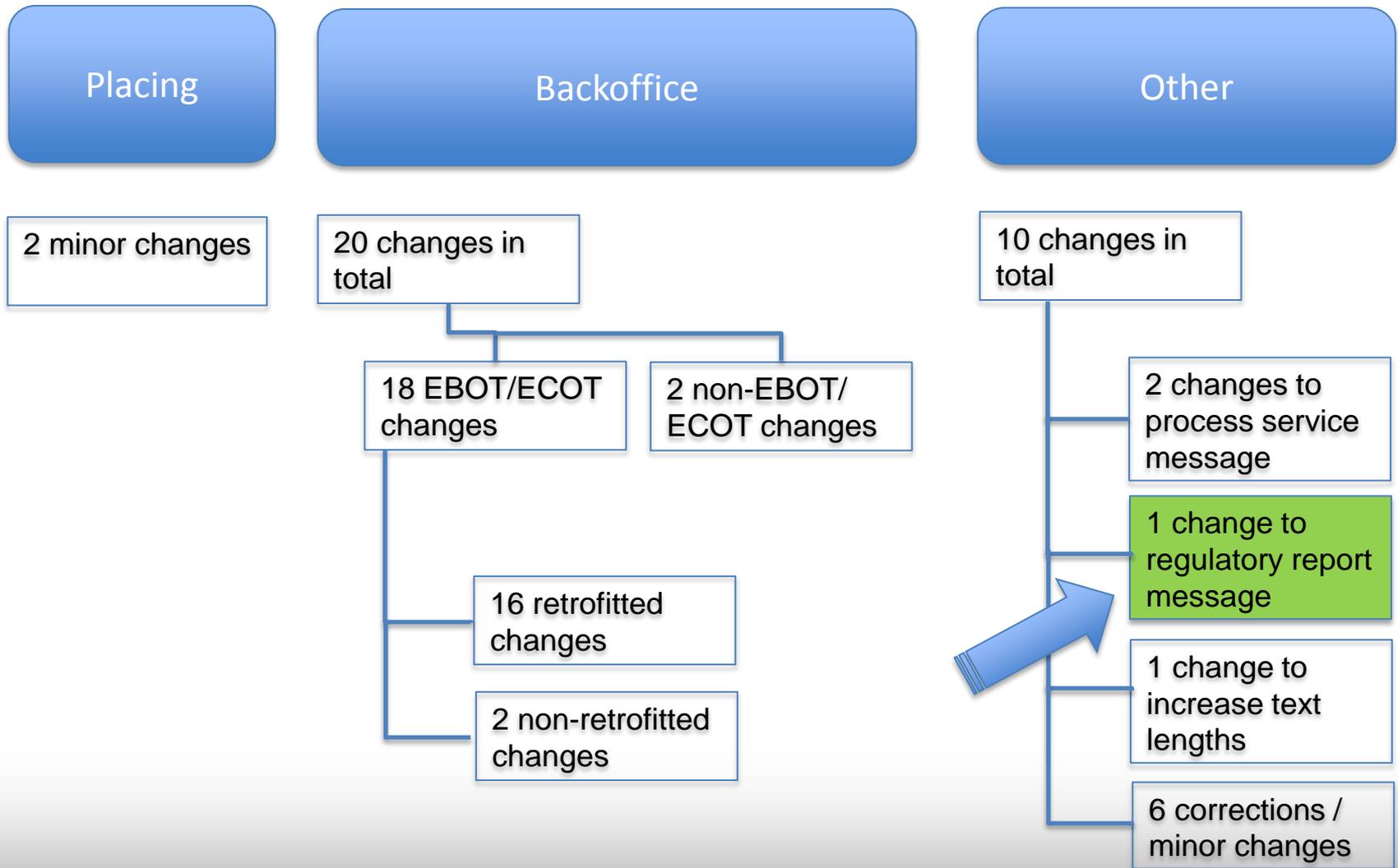
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Changes to process service request

MR ID's	MR 12-1-27960/27964
ChangeType	Changed Items
Standard	XML
Title	Two changes to Process Service Request message
Background	The Process Service Request message is part of the DRI family, and allows for many messages of different types to be packaged together and sent in a single transmission. It remains a “candidate recommendation” publication at present.
Description	27960 – Amend “process service request” message to add ClaimEntry & TechAccountEntry references 27964 – Extend the scope of this message, so that it is applicable for any ‘batching’ needs [was originally designed just for ‘batching’ of claim-related messages]
Impact on implementers	This message is not widely implemented – and so impact is very limited.

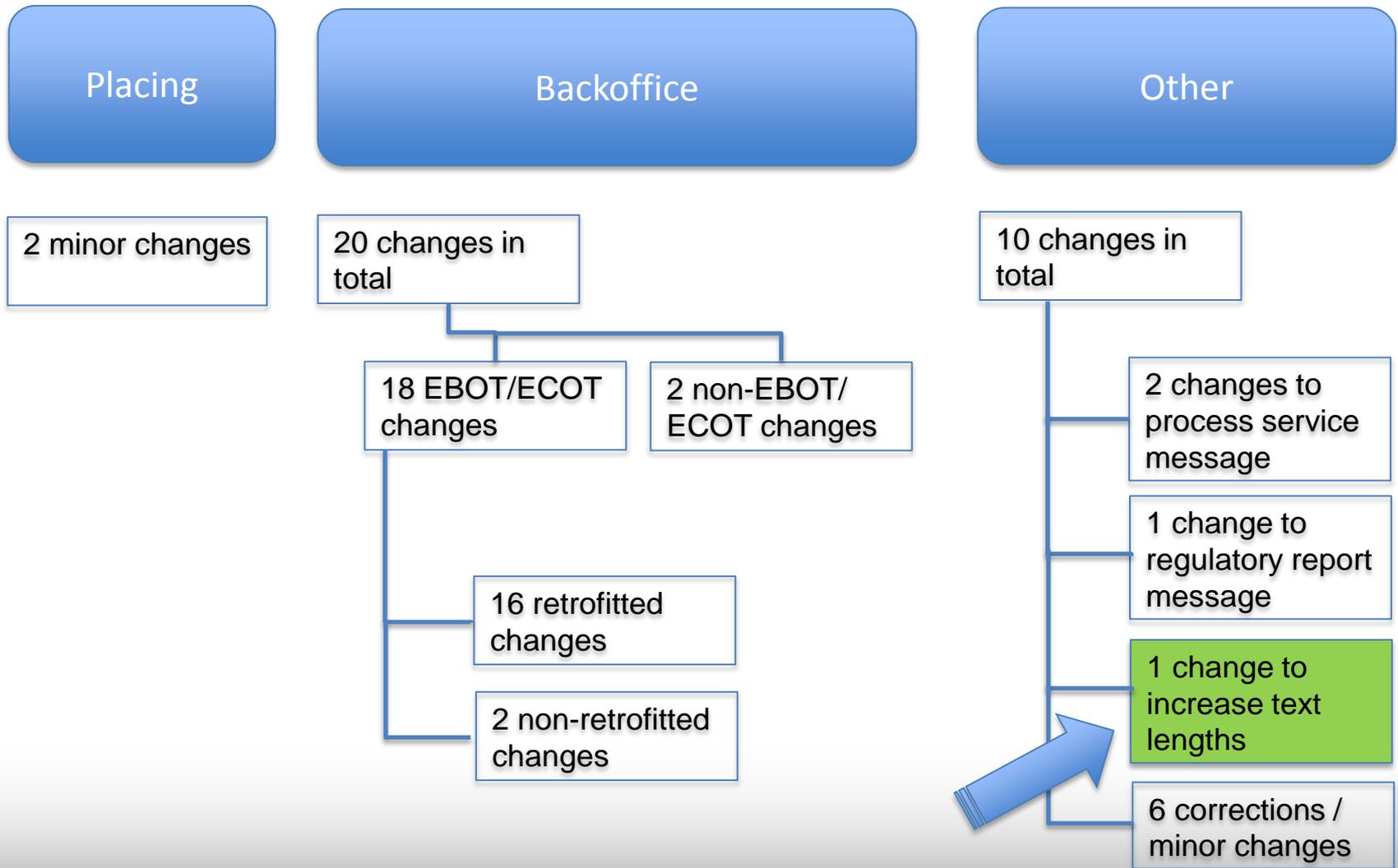
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Changes to regulatory reporting

MR ID's	MR 12-1-27965
ChangeType	Changed Items
Standard	XML
Title	Insert Transaction Type & Regulatory Location of Risk into Regulatory Reporting message
Background	The Regulatory Reporting message is currently published as a “candidate recommendation”, and is used for internal reporting of regulatory data [i.e. it does not include in its scope reporting to regulators]. It is in use reporting data from Lloyd's syndicates to the Lloyd's Corporation.
Description	This moves two data aggregates; ReportingTransactionAmountEntry (which gives the transaction type) and ReportingLocationEntry (which gives the location details) to a lower level in the message. Pilot usage have found that this would enable the repeating of a lot of data to be avoided in real life messages.
Impact on implementers	This message is implemented only by those organisations who have requested the change – and so only they are impacted.

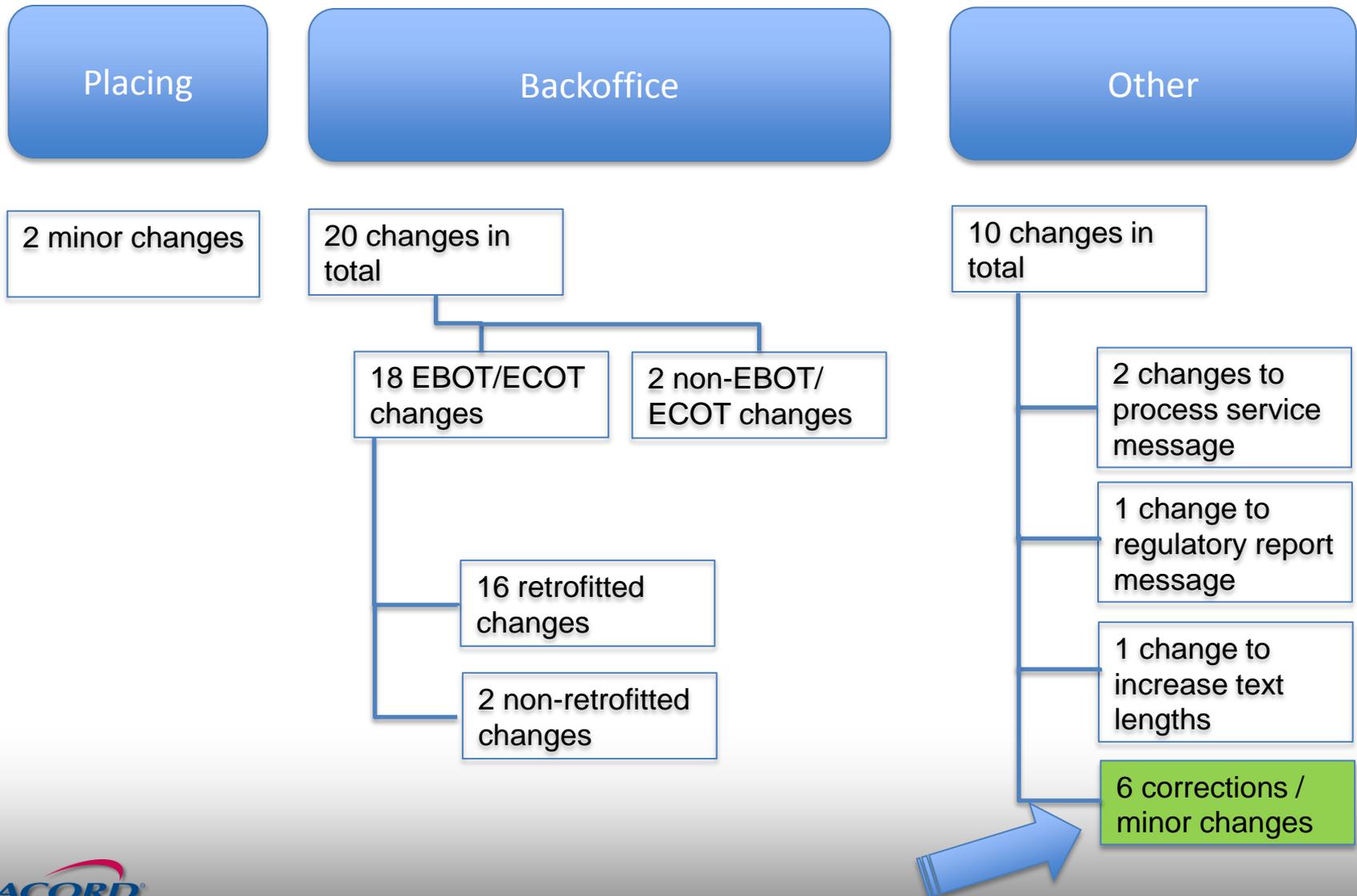
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Increase length of some descriptions

MR ID's	MR 12-1-27962
ChangeType	Changed Items
Standard	XML
Title	Increase length of Various Description fields
Background	Many descriptive fields in the ACORD RLC message are defined as being of “infinite” length. However, some older fields have retained shorter field lengths from their origins within older EDIFACT messages.
Description	<p>Increase the length of the following descriptive fields from the ContractSection part of the XML messages to infinite:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [Contract section]Description (current length 255) CoverTypeDescription (current length 350) CoverOperatingBasisDescription (current length 350) ContractPeriodDescription (current length 255) InsuredRiskOrInterestDescription (current length 350) PolicyPerilsConditionsDescription (current length 350) JurisdictionsCoveredDescription (current length 255) PremiumPortfolioDescription (current length 512)
Impact on implementers	This change will impact implementers who have based their systems build on the expectation that these fields have a limited length – and if so would have to update their mapping to internal data to avoid “truncation” of data. For this reason, this change has been stated as being only applicable from the 2012-1 schema onwards, which will not be adopted immediately and so give time for implementers to schedule any necessary changes to their systems.

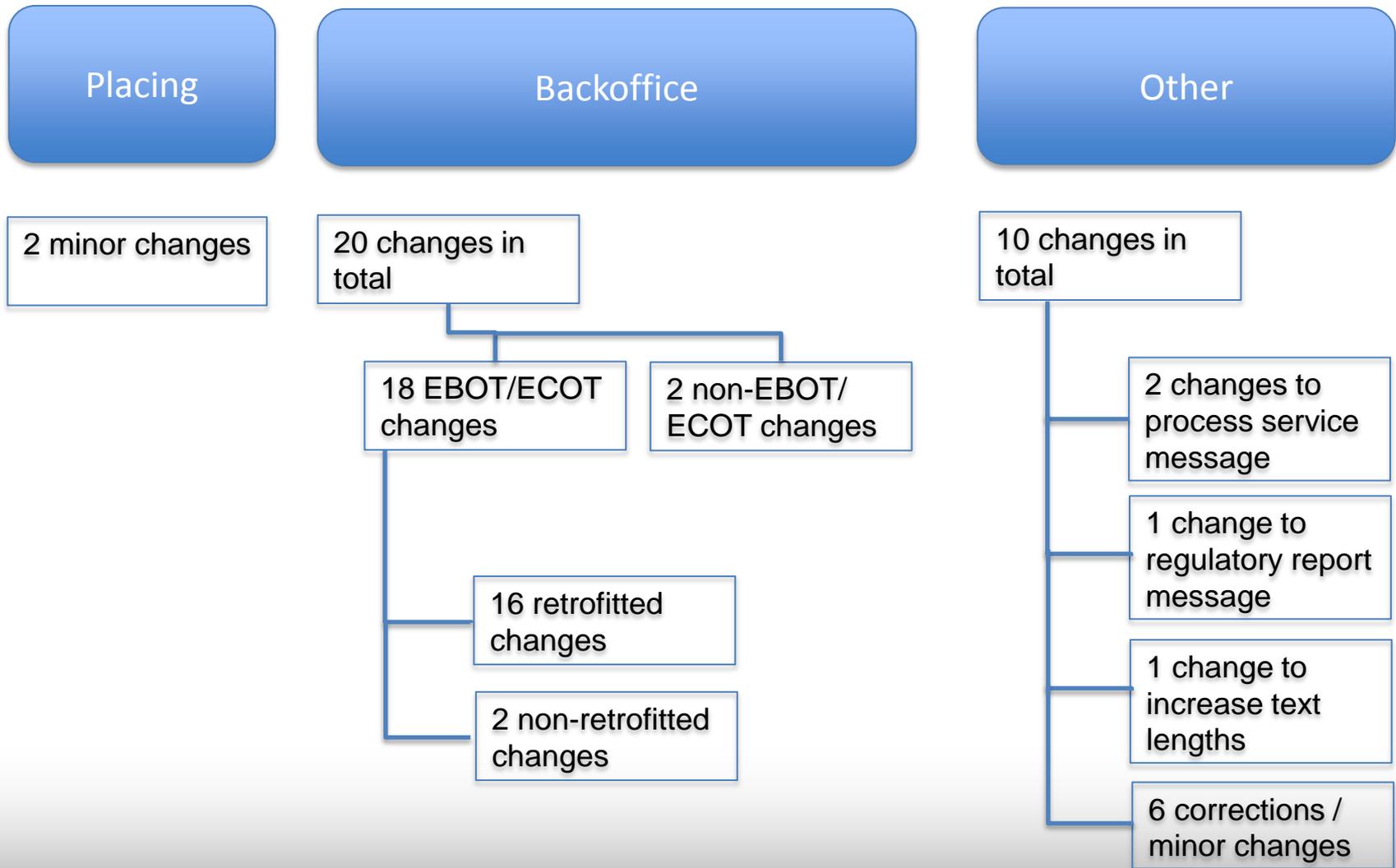
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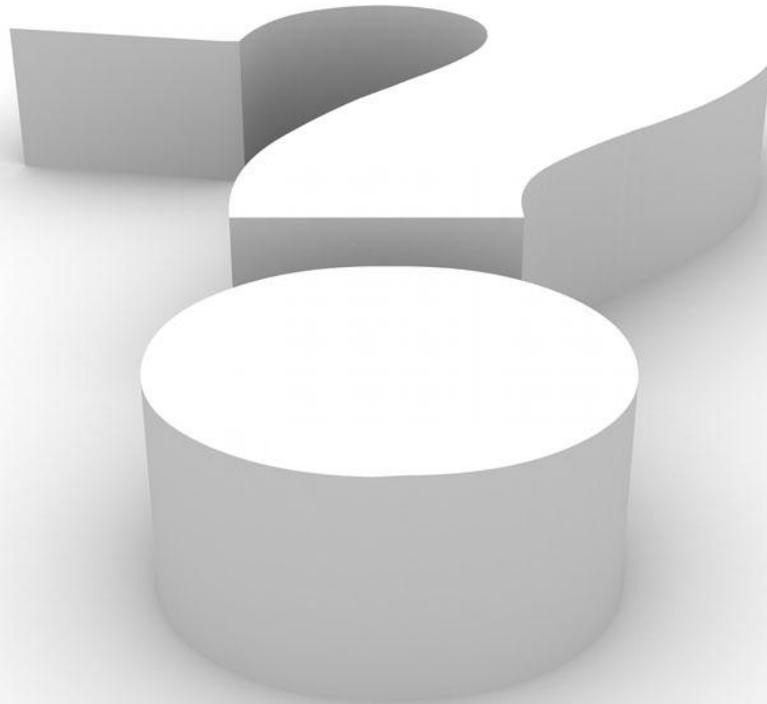
Corrections / minor amendments

MR ID's	MR 12-1-27927/27928/27929/27930/27958/27959
ChangeType	Clarifications / Changed Items
Standard	XML
Title	Various corrections / amendments with low impact
Background	Every MR cycle sees a miscellaneous collection of corrections or amendments that are minor or only impact messages with limited usage – 6 such changes happened in the 2012-1 cycle
Description	<p>27927 – small correction to Commercial _reinsurance_to_close class of business code (changed first letter to lower case)</p> <p>27928 – changing recommendation in “AMS XML specification and SOAP guide” (new sub-version 1.4.3 published) for one field (SOAPAction) – was “recommended” but now is “required” – to comply with WSI basic profile</p> <p>27929 – correction to data dictionary – code “follower” to be made available for data items C672 ClaimParticipantFunction, C673 DeclarationParticipantFunction and C666 EndorsementParticipantFunction</p> <p>27930 – minor correction in schema (2012-1 onwards) – InsurerShareNumberOfUnits changed from type “AnyCountType” to “AnyCountDecType” (so same as ReinsurerShareNumberOfUnits)</p> <p>27958 – correction to data dictionary to add missing ClaimEntry[party]References (for broker , cedent and serviceprovider)</p> <p>27959 – Slight change to data dictionary definition of ServiceProviderGroupReference</p>
Impact on implementers	These are corrections or minor changes, and have minor impact on implementers.

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