Xoserve has provided the following comments:

In the current world the Backstop Date is communicated to Shippers via an Adhoc Report that is generated by Xoserve, this is issued via e-mail or CD to the established contact list held by the AQ team. This report is only produce during a WAALP review on a non-commercial arrangement.

The Backstop Date that has been and will be allocated as part of the annual AQ review is held in the current system, this will be migrated into the new world data set. (for example this is the end read date used in the AQ calculation that has been replaced). This is because the MPRN had been successfully changed via the AQ Appeal or Amendment process, this action will effectively close out the consumption history for future AQ calculation.

In the new world a successful AQ correction will create a backstop date, this will be the effective date of the corrected AQ value (the 1st of the month). This will populated in the new T04 file when the AQ value has been calculated. Any reads submitted after that date will create the consumption profile that will be used to calculate an AQ after the 9 months, this assuming there is a read received to trigger the AQ calculation and that there is sufficient consumption history to derive a revised value after 9 months.