

# Appendix A

## Operational Scenarios and Boundary Stress Tests

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## A. Purpose of This Appendix

This appendix operationalises the enforcement architecture described in the core papers by subjecting it to **explicit stress tests**.

Rather than extending theory, it demonstrates how the continuity market behaves under:

- attempted extraction,
- institutional pressure,
- crisis conditions,
- technological change,
- and ideological critique.

The objective is not optimisation, but **failure containment**.

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# A1. Trigger Conditions for Boundary Enforcement and Withdrawal

Boundary enforcement is activated not by outcomes, but by **attempts**.

## A1.1 Prohibited Trigger Events

Any of the following constitute a trigger:

- Requests for individual-level participation or engagement data
- Attempts to condition insurance, credit, employment, housing, or platform access on participation
- Requests for finer granularity beyond approved aggregation bands
- Use of continuity signals for predictive scoring or eligibility determination
- Attempts to monetise access to continuity verification systems
- Attempts to standardise or centralise verification across communities

Intent is irrelevant. Structural pressure itself is sufficient.

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## A1.2 Detection and Escalation

Triggers may be identified through:

- Market Interface Authority (MIA) audit
- Independent oversight review
- Whistleblower disclosure
- Public reporting
- Contractual breach detection

Upon detection:

1. The request is formally denied
  2. A boundary violation notice is issued
  3. The relevant market interface is suspended pending review
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## A1.3 Enforcement Outcomes

If a violation is confirmed:

- External reporting to the violating actor ceases immediately
- Legal prohibitions are enforced where applicable

- Aggregate reporting to *other* market actors may continue, unless systemic risk is identified

If violations persist or escalate:

- All external reporting may be suspended
- Withdrawal from market visibility is initiated

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## A2. Scenario 1 — Insurance Conditioning Attempt

### Scenario

An insurance provider proposes reduced premiums for individuals with verified engagement histories within an ECE-operating municipality.

### Response Sequence

1. Proposal is identified as **individual-level conditioning**
2. MIA classifies request as prohibited use
3. Proposal is formally rejected
4. Insurer's access to aggregate continuity metrics is suspended
5. Public notice of boundary enforcement is issued
6. Aggregate reporting resumes only if insurer accepts non-conditionality

### Outcome

- Insurer loses informational advantage
- Other insurers adjust expectations
- Deterrence effect established across the market

At no point are individuals scored, ranked, or conditioned.

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## A3. Scenario 2 — Municipal Stress Event

### Scenario

A municipality experiences rising default risk due to automation-driven employment loss and declining tax receipts.

### System Behaviour

- ECE participation stabilises service demand
- Emergency expenditure volatility declines
- Peer-verified participation maintains legibility and governance
- Markets observe reduced variance in municipal risk indicators

### Market Response

- Municipal credit spreads stabilise relative to comparable jurisdictions
- Insurance availability persists
- Capital allocation preferences shift *without* direct intervention

### Outcome

Continuity buffers systemic stress **without triggering extraction**, conditionality, or surveillance.

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## A4. Scenario 3 — Technological Inference Risk

### Scenario

A new AI-based analytic technique increases the ability to infer individual behaviour from aggregated data.

### Response Sequence

1. Independent audit flags increased inference risk
2. Aggregation thresholds are raised
3. Reporting bands widened
4. Time-lags extended
5. If inference pressure persists → external reporting suspended

### Outcome

- System adapts without redesign
- Markets adjust to coarser signals
- Individual participation remains illegible

The system privileges **boundary integrity over signal fidelity**.

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## A5. Structured Responses to Anticipated Critics

## A5.1 Market Libertarian Critique

*“Restricting data use is inefficient.”*

### **Response:**

Efficiency is not the governing objective. Preventing extraction is. Markets may price effects; they may not condition causes.

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## A5.2 Techno-Optimist Critique

*“AI can solve inference risks without withdrawal.”*

### **Response:**

Inference is not a technical bug; it is a structural incentive. Withdrawal remains the only non-negotiable deterrent.

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## A5.3 Democratic Skeptic Critique

*“The MIA will be captured or incompetent.”*

### **Response:**

The MIA controls no rents, allocates no resources, and negotiates no value. Its sole power is revocation, not optimisation.

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## A6. Interaction with Existing Institutions

### **Central Banks**

- Observe aggregate risk reduction
- Do not access participation data
- Do not incorporate continuity into individual credit mechanisms

### **Insurance Regulators**

- Enforce non-conditionality
- Penalise participation-based pricing
- Support systemic risk reduction through oversight

### **Municipal Governments**

- Produce continuity through coordination
  - Retain democratic authority
  - Do not sell or monetise verification
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## A7. Failure Containment and Independence

If systemic capture pressure emerges despite safeguards:

- External reporting ceases
- Continuity production continues locally
- Market repricing halts
- Communities accept reduced capital preference as cost of autonomy

This option must remain **credible**, not symbolic.

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## A8. Summary

This appendix demonstrates that the continuity market:

- degrades gracefully under stress,
- prioritises boundary integrity over market optimisation,
- and remains viable without external validation.

The system is not designed to be efficient under capture pressure.  
It is designed to **refuse capture altogether**.

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## Version Note

Appendix A introduces no new mechanisms and alters no core assumptions.  
It operationalises existing boundaries through illustrative stress tests.