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I0196 - REVIEW OF METERING ASSET DATA TRANSFERRED FROM MAMS TO THE CDSP

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1 PURPOSE

This paper seeks to contextualise a planned Information Request on I0196 due to be published today. The Code Manager aims to use this Change Issues Group paper to set out our goals and aims for the Information Request, who we are targeting for responses (and why), and guidance for responding.

2 BACKGROUND

This issue was raised by the REC Performance Assurance (RPA) function of the REC Code Manager. Following investigative work, underpinned by case studies, RPA believe there is a need to improve a number of processes to pertinent to MAMs (and Metering more broadly) that contribute to gas data quality issues. High fidelity communication of gas data such as changes in MAM appointment status, details of modifications to Metering Assets and information pertinent to Switches is essential to ensuring data confidence and successful Consumer outcomes.

The Code Manager aims to explore mechanisms by which critical information transmitted from the MAM to the Central Data Switching Provider (CDSP) via the Supplier/Shipper may be validated or enriched to ensure accuracy. This Issue is expected to have a broad scope and will function as a general review of multiple industry processes found within Schedule 14 – Metering Operations and beyond. The Code Manager aims to identify, in a data-led approach, areas in which improvements to ensure accurate gas data transmission can be applied.

3 SCOPE OF THE INFORMATION REQUEST

- The Information Request will primarily be aimed at MAMs and Gas Suppliers, as these two groups are the most involved with the Market Messages pertinent to I0196. However, the Code Manager would also welcome responses from AMIs and MAPs, as well as from any other interested group.
- The Information Request asks respondents on their view on where Data Item mismatches are most likely to occur, and for views on how to mitigate the, in order to build an understanding in how REC Parties perceive the I0196 issue.
- The Information Request will ask respondents to provide a ranked list of the areas they think contribute most to gas data mismatches. The Code Manager will use the aggregates ranking from these responses to prioritise which areas of the Code to target.
- The Code Manager would ask respondents to keep I0172 - End-to-End New Connections Process Review [...] in mind whilst considering the Information Request, as it is expected that the gas data mismatches referred to in I0196 contribute to incidences of Crossed Metering Assets and other issues pertinent to the New Connections process.

4 QUESTIONS FOR THE CHANGE ISSUES GROUP

- Do you have any questions about the Information Request ahead of its publication today?