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Background

- An issue has been identified through MHHS Early Life Support that although the data item J0410 / DI-048 ‘Manufacturer’s Make and Type’ is required to be communicated within MHHS MTD Messages from SMRS (Supplier Meter Registration Service) it is not currently populated within the SMRS database.

- The J0410 item is present within the MTD Market Messages for Traditional and Advanced Meters (D0150 and D0268) however these Messages are not sent for MHHS Migrated Smart Meters, meaning that without intervention the Manufacturers Make and Type will be sent as a null value during the Migration process and will potentially be lost post MHHS Migration for MHHS Migrated Metering Points.

- It is not currently possible to populate the Manufacturers Make and Type in SMRS via legacy processes (it’s not an item contained within the D0312)

- Although this issue will not have a direct impact on the MHHS Migration process, the potential loss of the data could have an impact on a number of Supplier and Metering processes.

- RECCo raised REC Issue I0297 to investigate the materiality of losing this data through MHHS Migration and if a data population exercise was required to mitigate the risk.

- A recent RFI confirmed that a number of Parties use the Manufacturer’s Make and Type in their processes and losing the item through MHHS Migration process could have a material impact on these Parties.

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Suggested Resolution

The following resolution steps have been identified and discussed at the BSC MHHS Expert Group, with broad agreement to the approach.

- Following MHHS Migration **MOAs to update the Manufacturer's Make and Type in SMRS** by sending the IF-005 Market Message. This is likely to only be applicable where the same MOA has been retained through Migration.

- Post M15 (end of MHHS Migration) to implement a **data population exercise** to populate blank values with the last known value passed across the Data Transfer Service using reporting from Electralink.

Approaches Discounted

- It is felt that as there's no way to maintain the item in legacy a pre M15 population exercise would not be useful.

- It is further felt that adding the J0410 into the D0313 would not be an efficient change due to the proximity of M15.

- We also considered removing the data item from Smart MTDs but a continued use case has been identified by the majority of RFI respondents.

Discussion

- Does CHIG agree that with the suggested resolution approach?

- Assuming the approach is taken forward, does CHIG believe that a formal obligation to update the Manufacturers Make and Type post MHHS Migration should be placed on MOAs or would this be best achieved via guidance?