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DATA ACCESS REQUEST

ALTERATION OF EXISTING CATEGORY NAME AND ADDITION OF DATA ITEMS

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FOR DECISION	PAB Members are invited to take the following actions: • **APPROVE** the Code Manager's proposed alterations to the Electricity Data Access Matrix; • **APPROVE** the Code Manager's proposed alterations to the Gas Data Access Matrix; • **APPROVE** the Code Manager's proposed alterations to Appendix 1 of the Data Access Matrix; • **APPROVE** the Code Manager's proposed alterations to the Service User Categorisation and Assessment Document; • **APPROVE** the Code Manager's implementation date of these changes for 25 April 2025.
APPENDICES	• RECPAB_25_0325_XXa - Data Access Matrix - Appendix 1 v1.7_Draft • RECPAB_25_0325_XXb - Electricity Data Access Matrix v4.6_Draft • RECPAB_25_0325_XXc - Gas Data Access Matrix v4.4_Draft • RECPAB_25_0325_XXd - REC Service User Categorisation V5.6_Draft

1 THE ROLE OF THE REC PAB

The REC PAB determine access requests in accordance with the Code Manager's recommendation because the PAB are responsible for specifying REC Party, Non-Party REC Service User and REC Service Provider security and data protection requirements under the REC.

One key area for consideration is whether the appropriate process has been followed, for example some changes require additional information security analysis, whereas others might require consultation with industry participants.

2 BACKGROUND

The Service Provider to Local Authority or Housing Association Category was created for an organisation providing Change of Occupier, void property management, debt removal and restoration of asset services to Local Authorities and Housing Associations.

The original approval for this category for electricity was also based on the organisation receiving a bespoke report and therefore address data items and MPAN were not approved within the Data Access Matrix. This is because the organisation planned to provide this information to the Service Provider and there was not a requirement to play this back to the user.

The Code Manager envisages receiving applications from organisations performing these same services for a wider range of property types and owners.

3 JUSTIFICATION FOR USE CASE

Altering the name of the existing Category will allow it to be more widely used.

The addition of electricity data items will allow the Category to be used via the GUI and API formats.

4 ELECTRICITY DATA ITEMS

The request covers the following data items from EES:

Data Item	Purpose	Classification (Future, subject to change based on implementation of R0148)
Address Lines (1-9)	To be used as an input parameter.	Personal
Postcode	To be used as an input parameter.	Personal
MPAN Core	To be used as an input parameter or to confirm a unique identifier.	Personal

5 DATA PROTECTION, INFORMATION SECURITY AND ANY SPECIFIC CONSIDERATIONS

We do not consider the addition of these data fields to result in an increase to security and data protection risks, and therefore propose to retain the assurance approach per the below:

		Description	Current	Proposed
ISDP Level	Low	Basic information only	No External Assessment	No External Assessment
	Medium	Assessment relevant security accreditation (cyber essentials +)	Verification External Assessment for GUI	Verification External Assessment for GUI
	High	Assessment if information security risk management in REC relevant areas	Standard External Assessment for API	Standard External Assessment for API

7 NEXT STEPS

The Code Manager will publish a 10-working day consultation on 28 March 2025 to 11 April 2025. If the consultation responses return no concerns that would require the Code Manager to revisit the request, the Code Manager will implement changes to the REC documentation on 25 April 2025.

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