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| Draft Change Proposal – BSCP40/01 | DCP No: 0044 <i>Version No: 1.0</i> <i>(mandatory by BSCCo)</i> |
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| Title <i>(mandatory by originator)</i> <i>Changes to Long Term Vacant Site process where a reading is obtained via a warrant</i> | |
| Description of Problem/Issue <i>(mandatory by originator)</i> <p>To enter the Long Term Vacant (LTV) Site process, Suppliers must run a number of checks including receiving two D0004 ‘Notification of Failure to Obtain Reading’ flows. Also, Suppliers must receive a Site Visit Check Codes (SVCC) of 02 ‘Site not Occupied’ for the site in a period at least 3 months but no longer than 7 months apart. Suppliers then treat the sites as LTV, but will remove them from the LTV process if the 02 codes stop being received or if a reading is obtained.</p> <p>Where a reading has been obtained through entry via a warrant, a site will drop out of the LTV process based on the criteria above and will be assigned a non zero Estimated Annual Consumption (EAC) value. However, it is then likely to re-qualify for LTV in the future as a warrant will not be obtained for further readings (and SVCC of 02 will start to be received again). When the site re-enters the LTV process, a reading is deemed for the beginning of the new LTV period based on the non-zero EAC. This deemed read will cause energy to enter Settlement for a period where the site was vacant between the date that the reading via the warrant process is obtained and the date of the next D0004 with the 02 SVCC.</p> <p>This issue and the proposed solutions were discussed by the issue 0004 ‘Improvements and Clarifications to the LTV Site process’ review group. The group believed that a change in this area is required but wanted to obtain views on which of their two proposed solutions is easier to implement from other Suppliers and Supplier Agents.</p> | |
| Justification for Change <i>(mandatory by originator)</i> <p>The current process of deeming a read for the start date of the new LTV period will introduce error into Settlement as energy will be allocated where there was no consumption. Also, the current process removes sites from the process which are still vacant (hence the need for a warrant).</p> | |
| Proposed Solution(s) <i>(mandatory by originator)</i> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The site should be allowed to remain in the LTV process when a reading is received following entry via a warrant, as the need to obtain a warrant read would be confirmation that the site was in fact vacant. 2. The site should still be removed from the LTV process as a read has been obtained but the last valid read (i.e. the warrant read) should be used rather than a deemed read at the start of the next LTV period to avoid error entering Settlement. <p>It is expected that both of these solutions would be automated within the process and would therefore require changes to Suppliers’ and/or Supplier Agents’ systems. Respondents are therefore asked to comment on which, if either of these solutions are preferable.</p> | |

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| Version History (mandatory by BSCCo) <i>This is v1.0 for Impact Assessment.</i> | |
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