Change Proposal – BSCP40/01

CP No: 1184

Title (mandatory by originator)Disconnection of Energised Metering Systems

Description of Problem/Issue (mandatory by originator)

BSCP515 section 3.7 sets out the process to be followed in the event of a disconnection. It requires that before a metering system can be disconnected it must first be de-energised in accordance with section 3.6 of BSCP515.

Although the requirement to de-energise prior to disconnection can be complied with in most cases there are occasions when the LDSO is requested to disconnect at very short notice, typically when the LDSO is advised of the imminent demolition of a property. In such cases the LDSO's priority is to make the supply safe and there is insufficient time for the de-energisation process to be followed before the supply is disconnected.

BSCP515 does not currently recognise that there are cases where a supply needs to be disconnected at very short notice. This has led to LDSOs failing the BSC audit because they have disconnected energised supplies without first following the de-energisation process.

Proposed Solution(s) (mandatory by originator)

Amend BSCP515 section 3.7 to permit an LDSO to disconnect a supply that is in an energised state. In these cases the LDSO will be required to liaise with the appointed MOA, either before or after the disconnection, so that final readings and removal of the meter can be communicated.

Justification for Change (mandatory by originator)

There are occasions when LDSOs must disconnect at short notice and failure to do so will have adverse safety implications. When the LDSO disconnects in such cases the result should not be an audit failure.

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Is the Change being proposed a Housekeeping Change? (optional by originate	pr)
Y/N ¹ No	
Configurable Items Potentially Affected by Proposed Solution(s) (optional by originator) BSCP515	
Impact on Core Industry Documents or System Operator-Transmission	Owner Code (optional by
originator)	
Related Changes and/or Projects (mandatory by BSSCo)	
Requested Implementation Date (mandatory by originator)	
Reason:	
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Agreed Release/Implementation Date (mandatory by BSCCo)	
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¹ The relevant Panel Committee will decide whether a Change Proposal can be progressed as a Housekeeping Change Proposal.

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