

<p align="center"><b>Draft Change Proposal – BSCP40/01</b></p>	<p>DCP No: 0038</p> <p><i>Version No: 1.0</i> <i>(mandatory by BSCCo)</i></p>
<p><b>Title</b> <i>(mandatory by originator)</i></p> <p><b>Use of Appointment and Termination Flows in Unmetered Supplies (UMS)</b></p>	
<p><b>Description of Problem/Issue</b> <i>(mandatory by originator)</i></p> <p>An Unmetered Supplies Expert Group (UMSEG) was convened in 2007 to discuss UMS issues identified by the BSC Auditor. A series of proposals were suggested, which were issued to industry for comment via DCP0029 in February 2008.</p> <p>DCP0038 relates to issue A2.1 (For more information refer to Pg 16 of the DCP0029 Solution Catalogue: <a href="#">DCP0029 - Solution Catalogue</a>) which highlighted certain inefficiencies associated with the flow of information from the Supplier to the Supplier Meter Registration Service (SMRS) and the Unmetered Supplies Operator (UMSO).</p> <p>In a number of instances BSCP520 (BSC Procedure: Unmetered Supplies Registered in SMRS vs. 14.0) requires Suppliers to issue D0155<sup>1</sup>, D0148<sup>2</sup> and D0151<sup>3</sup> flows to the UMSOs when establishing or amending inventories or following a Change of Supplier or Meter Administrator. These flows are normally used by Suppliers when appointing and de-appointing Supplier Agents, but in this context they are used to inform the UMSO of the identity of the Data Collector and Data Aggregator appointed for that Unmetered Supply.</p> <p>The Data Transfer Network (DTN) is not configured to allow these flows to be provided to UMSOs electronically, so manual processes have to be used to transfer the information. Because of the difficulties involved, some UMSOs do not make use of the flows and instead retrieve the necessary appointment data from SMRS, which should be updated by the Supplier once the appointments have been made.</p>	
<p><b>Justification for Change</b> <i>(mandatory by originator)</i></p> <p>A requirement for suppliers to issue the D0155, D0148 and D0151 forms to the UMSO has been viewed by industry as an ineffective process. The audit reports that were issued in conjunction with DCP0029 confirmed this view as participants stressed (during the audit) that they were not reliant on the above data flows as they were already privy to this information.</p> <p>This DCP sets out options to either remove the requirement for the flows entirely or to modify the way they are used, these are highlighted below.</p>	
<p><b>Proposed Solution(s)</b> <i>(mandatory by originator)</i></p> <p>four options are proposed for consideration</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Remove the requirement in BSCP520 for Suppliers to send D0155, D0148 and D0151 flows to UMSOs. This would be on the basis that the necessary appointment data should have already been entered into SMRS by the Supplier and so should be available to the UMSO. This option would remove the onus on the Supplier to send the flow to the UMSOs and ensure that they are compliant with BSCP520.</li> <li>b. Remove the requirement in BSCP520 for Suppliers to send D0155 and D0151 flows to UMSOs</li> </ol>	

<sup>1</sup> Notification of new Meter Operator or Data Collector Appointment and Terms

<sup>2</sup> Notification of Change to Other Parties

<sup>3</sup> Termination of Appointment or Contract by Supplier

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<p>but retain the requirement for Suppliers to send the D0148 forms. This would ensure that the UMSO is aware of any changes that occur without having to continually refer to the SMRS. The removal of the D0155 and D0151 forms from the BSCP520 will ensure that Suppliers are compliant.</p> <p>c. Modify the DTN to allow the flows to be sent to the UMSO electronically. By being able to receive and process the information more easily, UMSOs will be provided with data directly and would not have check the SMRS for updates.</p> <p>d. The requirement for Suppliers to inform the UMSO of the agent appointments could remain, but in a form to be agreed between the participants involved. This would remove the expectation that an UMSO should in some way process a specific flow, but would still ensure any necessary information is transferred.</p>	
<p><b>Version History <i>(mandatory by BSCCo)</i></b></p> <p>This is version 1.0 for impact assessment.</p>	
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