

Approved redlined BSCP504 for CP1415 'Reading submission frequency for smart Meters'.

The CP proposes changes to BSCP504 section 4.20.

We have redlined these changes against Version 35.0.

4.20 Remotely Read Metering Systems

Meter Technical Details

Metering Systems that are configured for remote reading may be identified through the J0483 Meter Type contained in the Non Half Hourly Meter Technical Details established by the NHHMOA. Where the Meter Type is any one of the following:

- ‘RCAMR’ (Remotely Configurable Automated Meter Reading);
- ‘NCAMR’ (Non-Remotely Configurable Automated Meter Reading); or
- ‘RCAMY’ (Remotely Configurable Automated Meter Reading with Remote Shutdown Capability)

the NHHDC shall ensure that whenever a D0150 is required to be processed by the NHHDC in accordance with this BSCP, the data in the D0313 Auxiliary Meter Technical Details flow is processed successfully for that Metering System.

Data Collection Remote Data Retrieval by Suppliers

Where the Supplier retrieves readings remotely, there is no requirement to pass routine readings to the NHHDC for validation and processing more frequently than once every three months for Metering Systems in Profile Classes 1 to 4 or more frequently than once a month for Metering Systems in Profile Classes 5 to 8.

However, the Supplier may choose to pass routine readings to the NHHDC more frequently.

This exemption from processing all readings retrieved only applies to ~~It is recognised that the NHHDC may receive readings from remotely read Metering Systems on a frequent basis. All readings shall be processed for Settlement purposes, subject to the following exception:~~

- Routine readings. Other (i.e., readings, such as ~~that are not~~ Change of Supplier, Initial, Final and, Special readings, etc) must be passed to the NHHDC in accordance with the relevant sections of this BSCP. ~~that, if omitted from Settlement, do not result in there being more than three months between valid readings for a Profile Class 1-4 MS or more than one month between valid readings for a Profile Class 5-8 MS.~~

For the avoidance of doubt, if Meter readings have not been collected within the periods specified above, then no Meter readings are required to be processed.

The requirements set out in this paragraph do not constitute a requirement to read Meters with the frequencies stated. Suppliers aren't required to read Metering Systems Profile Class 1 to 4 every three months or Metering Systems in Profile Class 5 to 8 every month. Suppliers may determine reading frequency to meet billing requirements and performance standards.

The NHHDC must validate and process all remote readings received from the Supplier.

Remote Data Retrieval by Data Collectors

Where the NHHDC retrieves readings remotely, there is no requirement to validate and process routine readings more frequently than once every three months for Metering Systems in Profile Classes 1 to 4 or more frequently than once a month for Metering Systems in Profile Classes 5 to 8.

However, the NHHDC may agree with the Supplier to process routine readings more frequently.

This exemption from processing all readings retrieved only applies to routine readings. Other readings, such as Change of Supplier, Initial, Final and Special readings, must be processed in accordance with the relevant sections of this BSCP.

NHHDCs are not required to read Metering Systems Profile Class 1 to 4 every three months or Metering Systems in Profile Class 5 to 8 every month. NHHDCs should apply the reading frequencies agreed with the Supplier.