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PROPOSED SOLUTION

R0083A - CHANGES TO SUPPLY NUMBER FORMAT FOR MHHS

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1 SOLUTION DEVELOPMENT APPROACH

As part of the Market Wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) programme of work, RECCo and the Code Manager issued a consultation in October 2022, to obtain views from market participants on a revised approach to populating the Supply Number on Consumer bills and statements. Twelve responses were received from Electricity Suppliers, Distribution Network Operators (DNOs) and Meter Administrators.

The Code Manager has added to this input through engagement with the following:

- The Authority
- Members of the Industrial and Commercial Shippers and Suppliers (ICoSS) Group and associated non-Domestic MHHS stakeholders
- Third Party Intermediaries (TPIs)

In developing the solution options for R0083A the following high-level requirements were identified for Suppliers as the provider of the Supply Number and those that use it:

- The solution should be simple, keeping complexity to a minimum for impacted party systems and communication to Consumers explaining its meaning and use.
- A single Supply Number Format that can be used throughout MHHS transition and in the enduring arrangements.
- The solution maintains, or positively impacts, the Consumer Switching experience.

Finally, the Code Manager's approach was to focus solution development on minimising the impact of the MHHS design on the existing purpose of the Supply Number, and not to address additional requirements that may have been identified during industry engagement. Engagement with the Authority has not identified any change in the purpose of the Supply Number. The scope of R0083A is therefore to address the consequential impact of the MHHS design only. The Supply Number format for the bottom line was therefore not considered in

scope of this change. This in turn limits the scale of consideration, and delivery of change required by industry, in relation to and at the same time as MHHS implementation.

The option to remove the top line from the Supply Number was considered in the industry consultation in October 2022. Responses in support of this solution option were primarily based on the fact that these respondents are not currently using the top line in their business processes or they could already access the data in their systems or could use the Electricity Enquiry Service to source data items they require to support completion of their processes.

ASSUMPTIONS

The MHHS design has been baselined and changes have been confirmed, which include terminating the use of the MTC, splitting the LLFC Id, and limited use of Profile Classes in the future. Any challenge to this baseline is out of scope of these Change Proposals.

Licence condition changes are out of scope of R0083A. Any changes to the requirement to provide the Supply Number, or the addition of extra Data Items outside the REC Data Specification of the Supply Number on Consumer bills, would be subject to licence condition change and is the responsibility of the Authority.

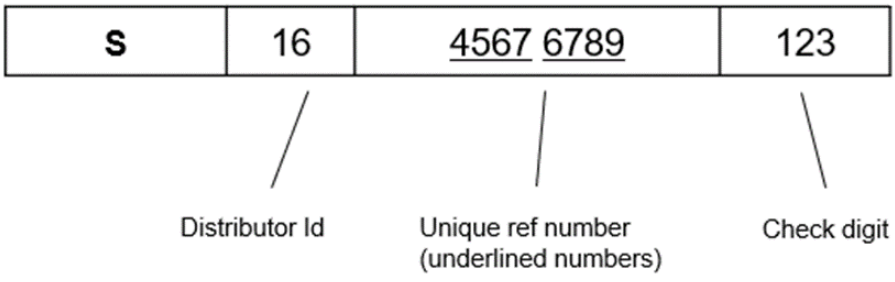
Whether the solution for R0083A is approved or not, Market Participants, including Third Party Intermediaries (TPIs), will need to amend their business processes to accommodate the changes to Data Items determined by the MHHS design.

2 PROPOSED SOLUTION FOR R0083A – REMOVE TOP LINE

The proposed solution, presented as Option 3 for the Party impact assessment, has specifically been developed to facilitate removal of the top line entirely from the Supply Number. Only the bottom line of the S Number would remain, effectively only providing the MPAN. This would allow a consistent approach to be applied across all electricity Metering Points and would align to the existing gas requirements around the provision of the Meter Point Reference Number (MPRN).

The legal text in the Supply Number Format within the Data Specification will be updated to remove all top line requirements.

The following example has been included for illustrative purposes:



Implementation of this solution option is proposed to be aligned to MHHS go-live (Milestone M8 - Code Changes delivered), to be effective immediately for all MPANs.

3 APPENDIX – SOLUTION OPTIONS DRAFT LEGAL TEXT

- Option 3 (R0083A) Supply Number Format redlining v1.0