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NON-CONFIDENTIAL CONSOLIDATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT RESPONSES

R0120 – SEARCH GES API USING METER SERIAL NUMBER

On 28 June 2024 the Code Manager issued a Party Impact Assessment to seek feedback on the solution for R0120.

The purpose of this document is to consolidate the responses and for the Code Manager to answer any questions raised within those responses.

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Question 1:	Do you have any comments on the proposed solution?	
RESPONDENT DETAILS	**RESPONSE**	**CODE MANAGER COMMENTS**
SSE Energy Supply Ltd (Energy Supplier)	SSE only search by MPRN through the API so are not opposed to the proposed solution.	Noted, thank you.
OVO Energy (Energy Supplier)	Yes. Whilst both the proposed solutions are reasonable, solution 1 is preferable as it only requires one call in all situations, and the postcode should always be known.	Noted, thank you.

Question 2:	Do you agree the proposed solution addresses the problem statement? If not, please provide details?	
RESPONDENT DETAILS	**RESPONSE**	**CODE MANAGER COMMENTS**
SSE Energy Supply Ltd (Energy Supplier)	SSE agrees the proposed solution addresses the problem statement.	Noted, thank you.
OVO Energy (Energy Supplier)	Yes	Noted, thank you.

Question 3:	Would the proposed solution be beneficial to your organisation (either via the use case defined or a different use case) and will your organisation use the functionality?

RESPONDENT DETAILS	RESPONSE	CODE MANAGER COMMENTS
SSE Energy Supply Ltd (Energy Supplier)	SSE search via MPRN so this will have minimal benefit.	Noted, thank you.
OVO Energy (Energy Supplier)	Yes, the proposed solution would be beneficial. As we cross reference data to come to the same result, this will reduce the number of calls that we need to make to the GES API. This solution will also be useful for gas only sales.	Noted, thank you.

Question 4:	If you will use the functionality, what lead time would be required for your business to implement the proposed solution? Please provide justification.

RESPONDENT DETAILS	RESPONSE	CODE MANAGER COMMENTS
SSE Energy Supply Ltd (Energy Supplier)	As we will continue to use the current search functionality, we do not foresee the need to require a lead time.	Noted, thank you.
OVO Energy (Energy Supplier)	When we come to implement this, we expect only a small amount of development work would be required. We would need to collect the serial number and pass it on to our third party**.**	Noted, thank you.

Question 5:	Would implementing the proposed solution incur any costs to your business? If so, please provide details.

RESPONDENT DETAILS	RESPONSE	CODE MANAGER COMMENTS
SSE Energy Supply Ltd (Energy Supplier)	No.	Noted, thank you.
OVO Energy (Energy Supplier)	Routine development work by internal staff.	Noted, thank you.

Question 6:	Do you have any other comments relating to this Change Proposal?	
RESPONDENT DETAILS	**RESPONSE**	**CODE MANAGER COMMENTS**
SSE Energy Supply Ltd (Energy Supplier)	SSE are concerned that allowing parties to search on the meter serial number, where the address data is ambiguous, this may deter parties from updating and correcting the address.	Noted, thank you.
OVO Energy (Energy Supplier)	Whilst we are supportive of this modification, we also believe that there is an opportunity to make the other APIs more intelligent and useable, and, outside of this modification as we would not want to slow it down, we would support a wider review.	Noted, thank you.