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| **Issue Form - BSCP40/04** | **Issue Number**  *(mandatory by BSCCo)* |
| **Issue Title *(****Mandatory by originator)*  Removal of the D0215 in totality | |
| **Issue Description** *(Mandatory by originator)*  The D0215[[1]](#footnote-1) data flow currently records some of the same information contained in the D0383[[2]](#footnote-2) data flow regarding current and voltage transformers (CT/VTs) therefore duplicating information across the data flows. | |
| Justification for Examining Issue (Mandatory by originator)  Technical Assurance of Metering Expert Group (TAMEG) members have provided evidence to suggest that Meter Operator Agents (MOAs) do not currently use the information within the D0215 data flows, due to the high volumes, and use the D0383 data flow information as the single version of the truth. As a result the D0215 data flow is not adding value because the data within it is not being used.  The MOA has automated sending the D0170s once the D0142 has been received and therefore creating the D0215 responses which is not required if it is part of the twice yearly switch of Suppliers. The D0142 should only be used by the supplier for Installation or Change to a Metering System Functionality or the Removal of All Meters. Therefore the D0142 process is being used incorrectly by the Suppliers, creating a high volume of D0170s and D0215s.  The MOA has to send the D0142[[3]](#footnote-3)data flow very early on in the process, especially for new connections (i.e. a D0170[[4]](#footnote-4) data flow has to be sent once a D0142 data flow is received, regardless of appointment). [BSCP515](https://www.elexon.co.uk/csd/bscp515-licensed-distribution/)[[5]](#footnote-5) mandates that Licensed Distribution System Operators (LDSOs) send a D0215 data flow. However, this is too early in the process as: Customers may change their needs; Customers may not have signed contracts; and the LDSO and Customer may not have agreed capacities (kVA). This can mean there is a risk that the information within the D0215 data flow is incorrect when the Meter is energised.  Hence, the D0383 data flow is seen as the final confirmed data. | |
| **Potential Solution(s)** *(Optional by originator)*  Option 1:  Remove the need for the D0215 due to this is provisional information and the customer may change their mind. Therefore removing the risk of the MOA programming the meter incorrectly before the customer has signed the contract and P283 commissioning has been carried out by the LDSO.  **Preferred option**  Option 2:  The suppliers use the D0142 flows correctly and only ask for the information in relation to installation or change to a metering system functionality or the removal of all meters.  Option 3  Reducing the number of fields required on the D0215 data flow, by removing the optional items and keeping the mandatory fields only, would provide improved and relevant data to MOAs and Suppliers. It would also reduce the volumes of D0215 data flows being sent/received, enabling BSC Parties and Party Agents to process the ones they do receive more effectively and, better utilise the data. | |
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1. ‘Provision of Site Technical Details’ [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. ‘Notification of Commissioning Information’ [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. ‘Request for Installation or Change to a Metering System Functionality or the Removal of All Meters’ [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. ‘Request for Metering System Related Details’ [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. ‘Licensed Distribution’ [↑](#footnote-ref-5)