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Demand Estimation Sub Committee Modelling Processes

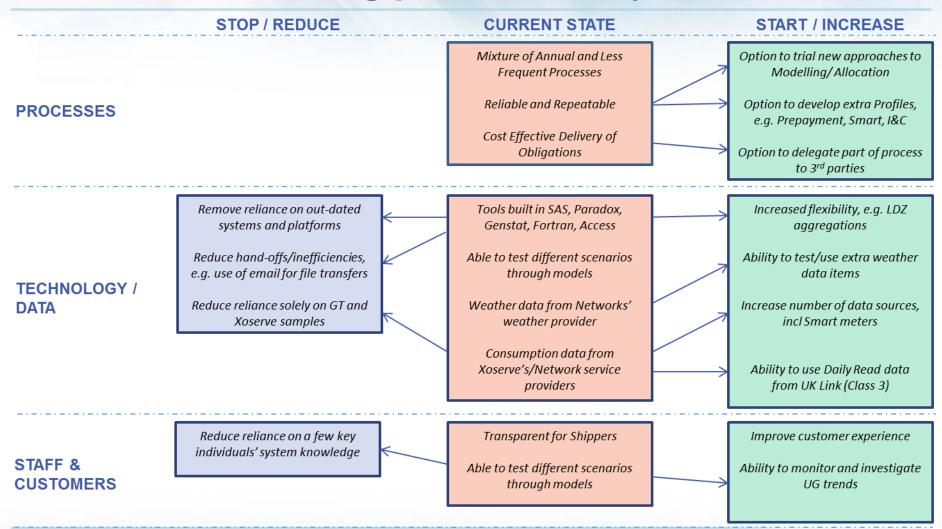
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Background

- Over the past few months Xoserve's Demand Estimation team has been exploring the possibility of upgrading the modelling processes and associated systems in order to handle DESC's future business requirements
- The current processes and systems have been in place for approx. 20 years and have successfully enabled Demand Estimation parameters to be produced for use in UK Link and Gemini for all that time
- As we move towards a new UK Link solution and a new set of industry rules, it seems the right time to be looking towards implementing a system and processes which provide Xoserve (and DESC) with more flexibility in how the parameters are derived
- This view was confirmed following a review from an independent external process expert who concluded that the current systems should be upgraded to meet the future business requirements



Review of modelling processes / systems



- Feedback provided by DESC in previous modelling cycles helped inform us in understanding future requirements
- Any changes in modelling approach would need approval by DESC and potentially a change request if industry systems are impacted



Next Steps

- Xoserve's priority for 2017 will be to ensure that DESC's obligations to deliver the Derived Factors for Gas Year 2017/18 are met
- Alongside this Xoserve will also be reviewing its current state processes and identifying areas for improvement which will be fed into defining our business requirements for future Spring analysis'
- We shall ensure to keep DESC informed of our progress when updates are available
- Should DESC wish to provide any additional comments to Xoserve we would be happy to receive them

