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Creating the permission to release supply point data to the Theft Risk Assessment Service (TRAS)



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Why change?



- In January 2013 Ofgem implemented new licence conditions for gas suppliers to detect, prevent and investigate theft, including a requirement for a central service to assess the risk of theft of gas at consumer premises and so help target theft investigations. To meet this condition a single energy Theft Risk Assessment Service (TRAS) is now being put in place, which will go live in April.
- The TRAS has a requirement to access Supply Point Information, arising from terms agreed with SPAA for the purposes of assessing energy theft risk.
- The necessary permissions under the UNC to facilitate this provision of data need to be created.

Why Change?



- The benefit of increased theft detection is decreased cost for consumers and industry parties, as theft volume is accounted for within industry unallocated energy processes.
- Identification and prevention of theft will reduce unallocated gas and will therefore lead to a improved settlement allocation accuracy for all parties under the UNC.
- Additionally and significantly, reducing the number of theft instances within the industry will reduce the overall safety risk to consumers.

Solution



- This enabling modification is proposing to grant access and permissions to access relevant Supply Point Information to the TRAS provider.

Recommended Steps



- Npower recommends that this modification should be:
 - Subject to self-governance
 - Referred to a Workgroup for assessment to develop the modification, and that one month is needed for that development.