

Business Rules – Introduction of a process to manage Vacant Sites

1. The Supply Point must be in the requesting Registered Users ownership
2. The Supply Point must be NDM SSP.
3. The Supply Point must not be a Prime or Sub configuration.
4. The Registered User will ensure (warrant) that it has received two notifications from the Meter Read Agent to verify that it is a vacant premise. These attempts must be no less than 75, and no more than 215 calendar days apart. [to be included in the SPAA schedule – UNC to refer to SPAA schedule]
5. Where an NDM ~~Supply Meter Point~~SSP has been identified as qualifying as Vacant, the Registered User should update the Large Transporters Agent via the appropriate file format.
6. On receipt of the notification, the Large Transporters Agent shall amend the Supply Point Register to reflect that the NDM ~~Supply Meter Point~~SSP is Vacant.
7. Following the update to the Supply Point Register, at D+7 and in accordance with UNC, Section H2, NDM ~~Supply Meter Point~~SSP Demand will cease to be determined in respect of that NDM Supply Meter Point (Commodity Charging & RbD market Share) [no back dating]
8. ~~Meter Readings will cease to be accepted by the Large Transporters Agent~~
9. The Supply Meter Point will remain within the AQ Review process.
- ~~9-10.~~ Where a NDM SSP increases AQ during the review to a point where it would become LSP, the Transporter would remove it from the Vacants process. This would then be subject to Mod 640 Business as Usual processes.
- ~~10-11.~~ Where a Supply Meter Point status is Vacant, the Registered User of the Supply Point will continue to be responsible for gas offtake~~en~~.
- ~~11-12.~~ Where the Registered User acquires evidence that the Supply Meter Point no longer qualifies as Vacant, the Registered User will notify the Large Transporters Agent at the earliest opportunity via the appropriate file format. [include a rule for Transporters to update Users if they identify a vacant site which is taking gas?]

11.13. Where a supply meter point is flagged as Vacant, and the Transporter identifies that it is not/no longer Vacant and is consuming gas, the Transporter will take such actions to notify the shipper. (where the registered user received such notification, they will investigate and remove from the Vacant process where appropriate – reference SPAA schedule).

11.14. Where it has been identified by the Transporter that gas was, or is being offtaken at a NDM SSP during such period as was identified as 'Vacant', the registered User shall be liable for all charges (including without limitation Transportation charges) as if it has not been Vacant.

12.15. Where the Registered User notifies the Large Transporter Agent that the ~~NDM SSP Supply Meter Point~~ no longer qualifies as Vacant e.g isolated or live, the Large Transporters Agent will update the Supply Point Register to reflect ~~a status of "live"~~ the appropriate status.

12.16. Where a NDM SSP has a status of Vacant, and meter readings are provided to the Transporter, no validation should take place on the first reading. Where 2 meter readings have been provided, validation should take place to ensure that where gas has been offtaken the Transporter will remove the NDM SSP from the Vacants Process.

13.17. ~~NDM Supply Meter Point Demand will~~ Relevant charges will re-commence from D+7.

14.18. Where an ~~NDM SSP NDM Supply Meter Point~~ maintains a status of Vacant for a continuous period of 24 months, the Registered User should take reasonable steps to Isolate ~~and withdraw~~ the ~~NDM SSP~~ Supply Meter Point.

15.19. In the event of a Change of Ownership, the status of Vacant will be removed. Where the same User reconfirms a meter point the Vacant flag will remain.

[consider rules to incentivise correct behaviours for managing sites and retrospective billing. Similar in nature to isolations process in UNC, including billing rules]

Reporting

~~reserve Transporters will to~~ provide monthly reports to each Registered User detailing;

Details of each NDM SSP with a status of Vacant.

<u>mprn</u>	<u>SSC</u>	<u>Meter point status</u>	<u>AQ</u>	<u>Date supplier initiated vacant flag</u>	<u>Date of entry process (D+7)</u>
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Details of NDM SSP removed from Vacants

<u>mprn</u>	<u>SSC</u>	<u>Previous meter point status</u>	<u>AQ</u>	<u>Current meter point status</u>	<u>Date Supplier provided for removal from vacants</u>	<u>Date of exit from vacant process (D+7)</u>
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Details of NDM SSP flagged Vacant >24months

<u>mprn</u>	<u>SSC</u>	<u>Meter point status</u>	<u>AQ</u>	<u>Date supplier initiated vacant flag</u>	<u>Date of entry to vacant process (D+7)</u>
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Transporter to provide monthly anonymised reports to the industry

<u>Supplier (Anonymised)</u>	<u>Total sites in Vacant process</u>	<u>New in the last month</u>	<u>Sites exiting vacant process in the last month</u>	<u>Total sites that have been in the vacant process</u>	<u>Sites that have been in the vacant process >24 months</u>	<u>Total</u>
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[Optional reports?]

0.Details of each Supply Meter Point with a status of Vacant

0.The Date that the Supply Meter Point entered the Vacants process.

[Mandatory report?]

0.Details of Supply Meter Points that have been flagged as Vacant for more than 24 months previously, and have been flagged as vacant again.

[report data items to be identified]