



## **0812R - Review of Alternatives to “Must Read” Arrangements**

Analysis for actions

# Action from 0812R WG

- An action was captured at the September DWG for PAC to consider the extent that the current must read process 'mitigates risk to settlement'. Screenshot below for reference:

0309	22/09/22	2.0	<p>Workgroup Chair (RH/EF) to ask PAC for evidence on the effectiveness of must reads and the effectiveness on settlement accuracy: (Is there a benefit or value in the must read service)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If must reads are successfully used, to what extent do they mitigate settlement risk?</li><li>Are Transporters the appropriate party to provide the service?</li><li>If they are not, who should provide the service?</li></ul>	Workgroup Chair (RH/EF)	Pending
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- As the CDSP manage the must read process centrally on behalf of the industry, we have undertaken a piece of analysis work to support WG in assessing the impact of the current must read process.

# Analysis summary

Please note, the observed period the analysis relates to is between **01/01/2018** – **30/09/2022**. This analysis includes both **DNO** and **IGT** sites.

- During the observed period, **c57k must reads** were successfully uploaded and used in settlement.
  - c34% from DNO SMP must reads
  - c66% - IGT SMP must reads
- A number of must reads submitted to the CDSP during the observed period, failed read validation preventing them being successfully loaded.
  - c47k
- Over the observed period, for DNO sites, **there has been a decline** (over time), in terms of number of successfully uploaded must reads and the energy associated to these.
- Over the last 12-months of the observed period, **approx. 0.09%** of LDZ AQ has been settled via the must read process.



# Additional points

- This analysis in terms of settlement impact, is based solely on the must reads which are collected, submitted and accepted in UK Link.
- There remains a high volume of must read contacts generated which are open but may not be actioned.
- The number of sites which are in scope of the DNO must read process has reduced overtime following the introduction of certain criteria, for example, excluding Smart, DCC Active or AMR sites.