

ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY PARTICIPATION CODE  
DISTRIBUTED UNMETERED LOAD AUDIT REPORT

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For

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RAMM DATABASE  
AND GENESIS ENERGY

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This audit of the Central Otago District Council (**CODC**) Unmetered Streetlights DUML RAMM database and processes was conducted at the request of Genesis Energy Limited (**Genesis**), in accordance with clause 15.37B. The purpose of this audit is to verify that the volume information is being calculated accurately, and that profiles have been correctly applied.

The audit was conducted in accordance with the audit guidelines for DUML audits version 1.1.

This audit includes all streetlight for CODC load as recorded in RAMM.

The RAMM database is managed by CODC and is remotely hosted by RAMM Software Ltd. The field work, asset data capture and database population are conducted by Delta. CODC have robust processes in place to manage the database.

The field audit was undertaken of 231 items of load. The field audit found a small number of errors and this led to the database accuracy threshold not being met.

CODC have no central management system in place and no plans to install one, but they have hard wired dimming for all Betacom lights (83% of all lights) installed on their network. This was part of the night sky initiative in the area. The lights reduce their power consumption to 60% between the hours of midnight to 5am year-round. Currently this is not reflected in the submission volumes. This will be resulting in an estimated annual over submission of 25,000 kWh.

The audit found six non-compliances and makes two recommendations. The future risk rating of 26 indicates that the next audit be completed in three months. I have considered this in conjunction with Genesis' comments and recommend that the next audit is in six months to allow sufficient time to address the matters raised in this audit.

The matters raised are detailed below:

## AUDIT SUMMARY

### NON-COMPLIANCES

Subject	Section	Clause	Non-Compliance	Controls	Audit Risk Rating	Breach Risk Rating	Remedial Action
Deriving submission information	2.1	11(1) of Schedule 15.3	<p>A discrepancy between the submission volume and the database resulting in an estimated under submission of 2,400 kWh for May 2020.</p> <p>Database is not confirmed as accurate with a 95% level of confidence, resulting in over submission of 19,000 kWh per annum.</p> <p>Over submission of an estimated 25,000 kWh per annum due to the hard-wired dimming LED lamps for 83% of the total lamps installed.</p> <p>The data used for submission does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.</p>	None	Medium	8	Investigating
Location of each item of load	2.3	11(2)(b) of Schedule 15.3	18 items of load without GPS coordinates and street number.	Moderate	Low	2	Identified
Description and capacity of load	2.4	11(2)(c) of Schedule 15.3	<p>39 items of load with no lamp description recorded.</p> <p>One item of load with no ballast value recorded resulting in a very minor amount of under submission.</p>	Moderate	Low	2	Identified
All load recorded in database	2.5	11(2A) of Schedule 15.3	One additional light found in the field.	Moderate	Low	2	Identified
Database accuracy	3.1	15.2 and 15.37B(b)	Database is not confirmed as accurate with a 95% level of confidence.	Moderate	Medium	4	Investigating

Subject	Section	Clause	Non-Compliance	Controls	Audit Risk Rating	Breach Risk Rating	Remedial Action
			<p>One 70W HPS lamp with no ballast applied.</p> <p>39 items of load with unknown lamp type.</p> <p>18 items of load without GPS coordinates and street number.</p> <p>New lights not recorded from date of installation.</p>				
Volume information accuracy	3.2	15.2 and 15.37B(c)	<p>A discrepancy between the submission volume and the database resulting in an estimated under submission of 2,400 kWh for May 2020.</p> <p>Database is not confirmed as accurate with a 95% level of confidence, resulting in over submission of 19,000 kWh per annum.</p> <p>Over submission of an estimated 25,000 kWh per annum due to the hard-wired dimming LED lamps for 83% of the total lamps installed.</p> <p>The data used for submission does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.</p>	None	Medium	8	Identified
<b>Future Risk Rating</b>						<b>26</b>	

<b>Future risk rating</b>	0	1-4	5-8	9-15	16-18	19+
<b>Indicative audit frequency</b>	36 months	24 months	18 months	12 months	6 months	3 months

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Subject	Section	Recommendation	Action
		Nil	

## ISSUES

Subject	Section	Description	Issue
		Nil	

## 1. ADMINISTRATIVE

### 1.1. Exemptions from Obligations to Comply with Code

#### Code reference

Section 11 of Electricity Industry Act 2010.

#### Code related audit information

Section 11 of the Electricity Industry Act provides for the Electricity Authority to exempt any participant from compliance with all or any of the clauses.

#### Audit observation

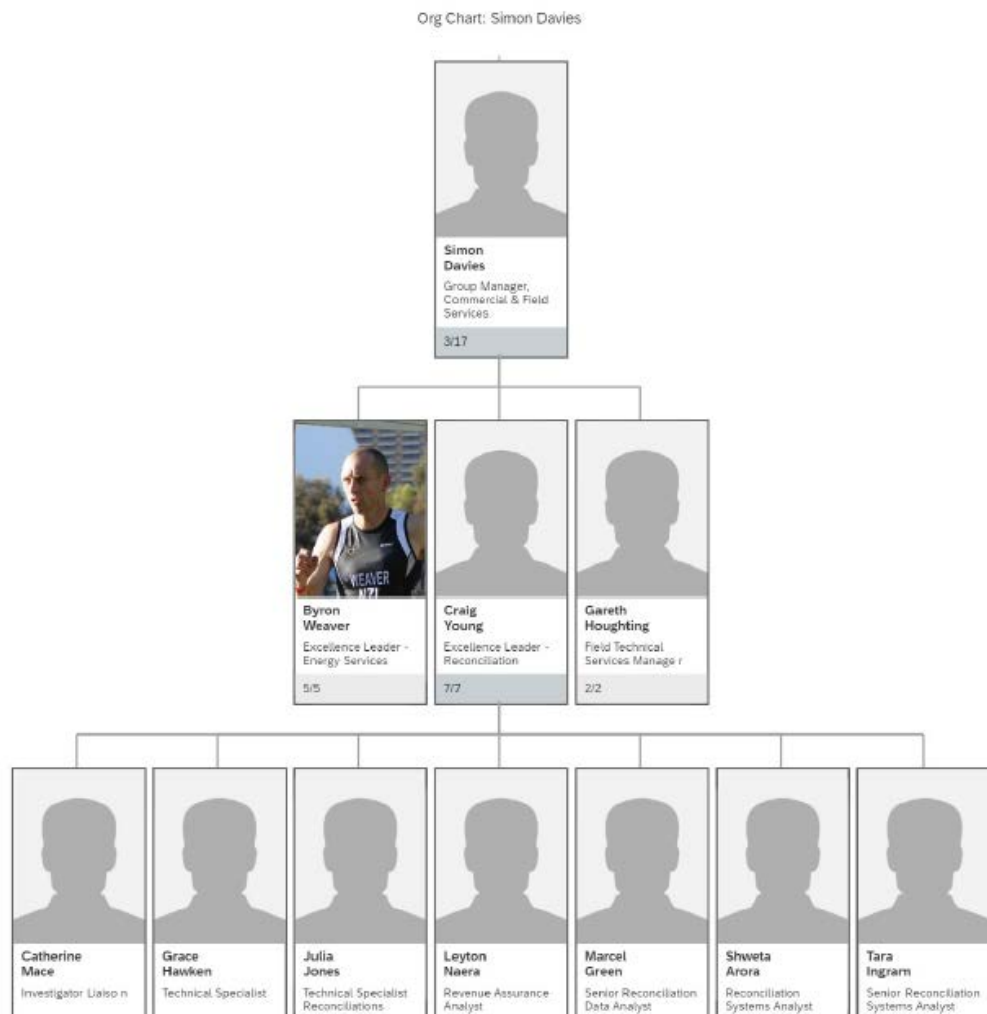
The Electricity Authority's website was reviewed to identify any exemptions relevant to the scope of this audit.

#### Audit commentary

There are no exemptions in place relevant to the scope of this audit.

### 1.2. Structure of Organisation

Genesis provided a copy of their organisational structure.



### 1.3. Persons involved in this audit

**Auditor:**

Steve Woods

Veritek Limited

**Electricity Authority Approved Auditor**

Other personnel assisting in this audit were:

Name	Title	Company
Craig Young	Excellence Leader - Reconciliation	Genesis Energy
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Andy Bartlett	Asset Engineer	Central Otago DC

### 1.4. Hardware and Software

The RAMM database used for the management of DUML is remotely hosted by RAMM Software Ltd.

CODC confirmed that the database back-up is in accordance with standard industry procedures. Access to the database is secure by way of password protection.

### 1.5. Breaches or Breach Allegations

There are no breach allegations relevant to the scope of this audit.

### 1.6. ICP Data

ICP Number	Description	Profile	Number of items of load	Database wattage (watts)
0000481144CEF63	CROMWELL GXP	SST	915	21,531
0000002553CE07F	CLYDE GXP	SST	982	34,749
0001982630TG886	OTPOGXP	SST	229	6,818
TOTAL			<b>2126</b>	<b>63,098</b>

### 1.7. Authorisation Received

All information was provided directly by Genesis or CODC.

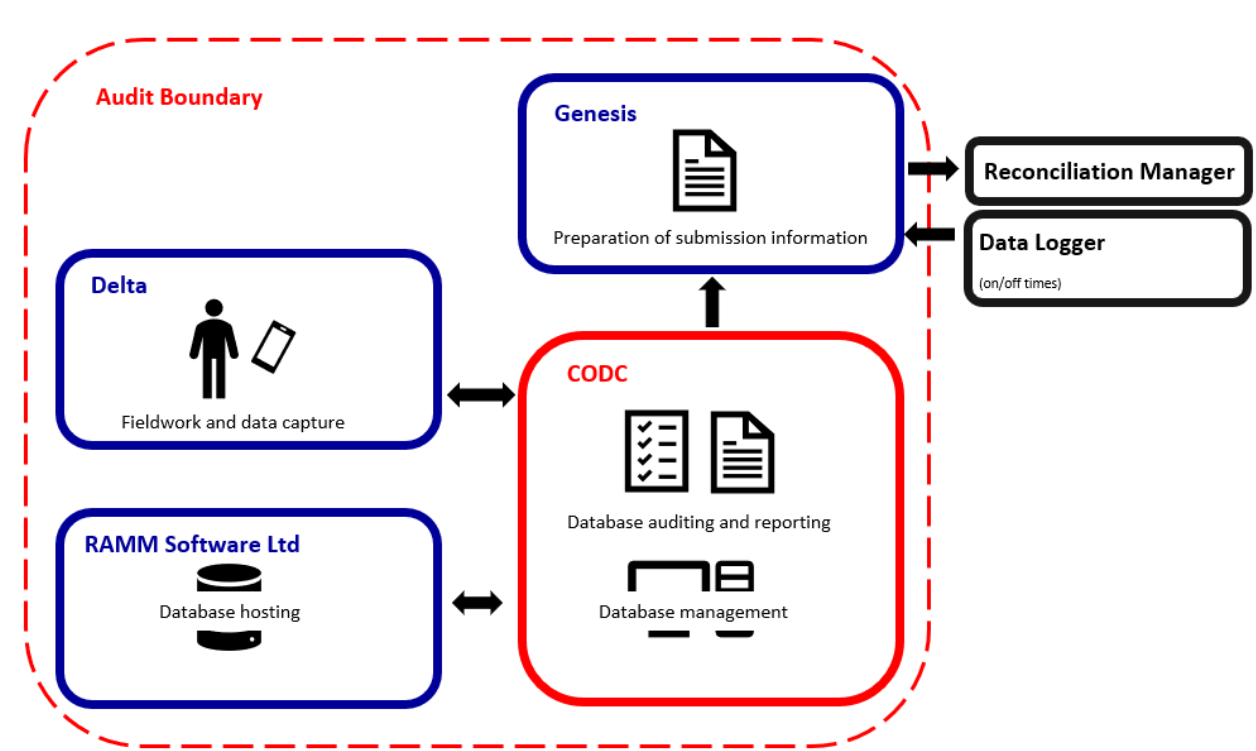


## 1.8. Scope of Audit

This audit of the CODC DUML RAMM database and processes was conducted at the request of Genesis, in accordance with clause 15.37B. The purpose of this audit is to verify that the volume information is being calculated accurately, and that profiles have been correctly applied.

This audit includes all streetlight for CODC load as recorded in RAMM.

The RAMM database is managed by CODC and is remotely hosted by RAMM Software Ltd. The field work is carried out by Delta. The asset data capture and database population are conducted by CODC. The scope of the audit encompasses the collection, security and accuracy of the data, including the preparation of submission information. The diagram below shows the audit boundary for clarity.



The audit was conducted in accordance with the audit guidelines for DUML audits version 1.1.

The field audit was carried out on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2020. The field audit was undertaken of 231 items of load.

## 1.9. Summary of previous audit

The previous audit was completed in September 2019 by Rebecca Elliot of Veritek Limited. The current status of that audit's findings is detailed below:

### Table of Non-Compliance

Subject	Section	Clause	Non-compliance	Status
Deriving submission information	2.1	11(1) of Schedule 15.3	<p>A discrepancy between the submission volume and the database resulting in an estimated annual under submission of 7,176 kWh.</p> <p>Database is not confirmed as accurate with a 95% level of confidence.</p> <p>25 LED lights with the incorrect wattage applied resulting in a very minor over submission of an estimated 30 kWh per annum.</p> <p>Over submission of an estimated 25,236 kWh per annum due to the hard-wired dimming LED lamps for 83% of the total lamps installed.</p> <p>The data used for submission does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.</p>	Still existing
Description and capacity of load	2.4	11(2)(c) of Schedule 15.3	<p>37 items of load with no lamp description recorded.</p> <p>Four items of load with no ballast value recorded resulting in a very minor amount of under submission.</p>	Still existing
All load recorded in database	2.5	11(2A) of Schedule 15.3	Three additional lights found in the field.	Still existing
Database accuracy	3.1	15.2 and 15.37B(b)	<p>Database is not confirmed as accurate with a 95% level of confidence.</p> <p>One 70W HPS lamp with no ballast applied.</p> <p>25 LED lights with the incorrect wattage applied over submission of an estimated 30 kWh per annum.</p>	Still existing

Subject	Section	Clause	Non-compliance	Status
Volume information accuracy	3.2	15.2 and 15.37B(c)	<p>A discrepancy between the submission volume and the database resulting in an estimated annual under submission of 7,176 kWh.</p> <p>Database is not confirmed as accurate with a 95% level of confidence.</p> <p>25 LED lights with the incorrect wattage applied resulting in a very minor over submission of an estimated 30 kWh per annum.</p> <p>Over submission of an estimated 25,236 kWh per annum due to the hard-wired dimming LED lamps for 83% of the total lamps installed.</p> <p>The data used for submission does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.</p>	Still existing

#### Table of Recommendations

Subject	Section	Recommendation for Improvement	Status
		Nil	

#### 1.10. Distributed unmetered load audits (Clause 16A.26 and 17.295F)

##### Code reference

*Clause 16A.26 and 17.295F*

##### Code related audit information

*Retailers must ensure that DUML database audits are completed:*

- 1. by 1 June 2018 (for DUML that existed prior to 1 June 2017)*
- 2. within three months of submission to the reconciliation manager (for new DUML)*
- 3. within the timeframe specified by the Authority for DUML that has been audited since 1 June 2017.*

##### Audit observation

Genesis have requested Veritek to undertake this streetlight audit.

##### Audit commentary

This audit report confirms that the requirement to conduct an audit has been met for this database.

##### Audit outcome

Compliant

## 2. DUML DATABASE REQUIREMENTS

### 2.1. Deriving submission information (Clause 11(1) of Schedule 15.3)

#### Code reference

*Clause 11(1) of Schedule 15.3*

#### Code related audit information

*The retailer must ensure the:*

- *DUML database is up to date*
- *methodology for deriving submission information complies with Schedule 15.5.*

#### Audit observation

The process for calculation of consumption was examined and the application of profiles was checked. The database was checked for accuracy.

#### Audit commentary

Genesis reconciles this DUML load using the SST profile.

The total volume submitted to the Reconciliation Manager is based on a monthly database report derived from RAMM and the “burn time” which is sourced from data loggers. The methodology is compliant.

I checked the submission calculation provided by Genesis for May 2020 and it does not match the database. The table below shows the differences.

ICP	kWh value submitted	Calculated kWh value from database	Differences kWh
0000481144CEF63	14,361.27	15,706.86	1,345.59
0000002553CE07F	8,895.97	9,728.57	832.60
0001982630TG886	2,760.03	2,983.05	223.02

The kWh value submitted is labelled as “Forward Estimation” and it appears it may be based on a 30 day month (probably April 2020), but May is a 31 day month and this should be taken into account when estimates are conducted.

The field audit against the database quantities found that the database is not confirmed as accurate with a 95% level of confidence as recorded in **section 3.1**.

A check of the wattages applied identified a small number of lights with the incorrect wattage applied resulting in an estimated very minor over submission of 179 kWh as detailed in **section 3.1**.

CODC have no central management system in place and no plans to install one, but they have hard wired dimming for all Betacom lights (1,714 items of load or 83% of all lights) installed on their network. This was part of the night sky initiative in the area. The lights reduce their power consumption to 60% between the hours of midnight to 5am year-round. Currently this is not reflected in the submission volumes. This will be resulting in an estimated annual over submission of 25,000 kWh. New ICPs have been created and it is intended that submission will occur against the new ICPs from August 2020, but the dimming will not be taken into account. The new ICPs have the SST profile. It is intended that one light will be metered, and the results will be used to possibly calculate a profile. A profile application has not yet been made.

On 18 June 2019, the Electricity Authority issued a memo confirming that the code requirement to calculate the correct monthly load must:

- take into account when each item of load was physically installed or removed, and
- wash up volumes must take into account where historical corrections have been made to the DUML load and volumes.

The current monthly report is provided as a snapshot and this practice is non-compliant. The database contains a “lamp install date” but there is not a field for “livening date” for newly connected lights. When a wattage is changed in the database due to a physical change or a correction, only the record present at the time the report is run is recorded, not the historical information showing dates of changes.

### Audit outcome

Non-compliant

Non-compliance	Description		
Audit Ref: 2.1 With: Clause 11(1) of Schedule 15.3  From: 01-Sep-19 To: 05-Aug-20	A discrepancy between the submission volume and the database resulting in an estimated under submission of 2,400 kWh for May 2020.  Database is not confirmed as accurate with a 95% level of confidence, resulting in over submission of 19,000 kWh per annum.  Over submission of an estimated 25,000 kWh per annum due to the hard-wired dimming LED lamps for 83% of the total lamps installed.  The data used for submission does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.  Potential impact: Medium  Actual impact: Medium  Audit history: Once  Controls: None  Breach risk rating: 8		
Audit risk rating	Rationale for audit risk rating		
<b>Medium</b>	The controls are rated as none as there is no process in place to submit the correct consumption volumes for the hard-wired dimming which represents 83% of the lights in the CODC area.  The impact is assessed to be medium, based on the kWh differences described above.		
Actions taken to resolve the issue		Completion date	Remedial action status
Genesis to date have implemented new ICP's for the LED assets enabling separation and future reporting mechanisms. Genesis and the council have identified assets to meter to enable data to verify load drop. This data analysis with help support profile enabling compliant settlement. Discussions have been had in regards to finding solutions to the tracking of changes I RAMM.			Investigating
Preventative actions taken to ensure no further issues will occur		Completion date	
Genesis is currently working through the issues with the council.			

## 2.2. ICP identifier and items of load (Clause 11(2)(a) and (aa) of Schedule 15.3)

### Code reference

*Clause 11(2)(a) and (aa) of Schedule 15.3*

### Code related audit information

*The DUML database must contain:*

- *each ICP identifier for which the retailer is responsible for the DUML*
- *the items of load associated with the ICP identifier.*

### Audit observation

The database was checked to confirm the correct ICP was recorded against each item of load.

### Audit commentary

All items of load have an ICP recorded against them.

### Audit outcome

Compliant

## 2.3. Location of each item of load (Clause 11(2)(b) of Schedule 15.3)

### Code reference

*Clause 11(2)(b) of Schedule 15.3*

### Code related audit information

*The DUML database must contain the location of each DUML item.*

### Audit observation

The database was checked to confirm the location is recorded for all items of load.

### Audit commentary

The database contains fields for the street identifier (street name), displacement and GPS coordinates.

18 items of load do not have GPS coordinates or street number recorded.

### Audit outcome

Non-compliant

Non-compliance	Description
Audit Ref: 2.3 With: Clause 11(2)(b) of Schedule 15.3 From: 01-Sep-19 To: 05-Aug-20	18 items of load without GPS coordinates or street number. Potential impact: Low Actual impact: Low Audit history: None Controls: Moderate Breach risk rating: 2

Audit risk rating	Rationale for audit risk rating		
<b>Low</b>	<p>The controls are recorded as moderate because they mitigate risk most of the time but there is room for improvement.</p> <p>The impact on settlement and participants is minor; therefore, the audit risk rating is low.</p>		
Actions taken to resolve the issue		Completion date	Remedial action status
Genesis will request the information be updated asap.		01/10/2020	Identified
Preventative actions taken to ensure no further issues will occur		Completion date	
Genesis have been working through the more complex issues that have been identified in the previous audits. The review of their data has been relatively brief. Genesis will be reconvening their review of their datasets know the separation of assets has occurred.		01/10/2020	

#### 2.4. Description and capacity of load (Clause 11(2)(c) and (d) of Schedule 15.3)

##### Code reference

Clause 11(2)(c) and (d) of Schedule 15.3

##### Code related audit information

The DUMML database must contain:

- a description of load type for each item of load and any assumptions regarding the capacity
- the capacity of each item in watts.

##### Audit observation

The database was checked to confirm it contained a field for lamp type and wattage capacity and included any ballast or gear wattage and that each item of load had a value recorded in these fields.

##### Audit commentary

The database contains the lamp make, model, wattage and the ballast wattage. All were populated with the exception of:

- 39 items of load that have an “unknown” lamp type recorded; all had a wattage recorded but this cannot be confirmed to be correct, and
- one item of load had no ballast wattage recorded, which will result in a very minor amount of under submission.

The accuracy of the lamp description, capacity and ballasts recorded is discussed in **section 3.1**.

##### Audit outcome

Non-compliant

Non-compliance	Description		
Audit Ref: 2.4 With: Clause 11(2)(c) of Schedule 15.3 From: 01-Sep-19 To: 05-Aug-20	39 items of load with no lamp description recorded. One item of load with no ballast value recorded resulting in a very minor amount of under submission. Potential impact: Low Actual impact: Low Audit history: Once Controls: Moderate Breach risk rating: 2		
Audit risk rating	Rationale for audit risk rating		
<b>Low</b>	The controls are rated as moderate because they ensure most information is accurate. The impact is assessed to be low due to the small number of lights affected.		
Actions taken to resolve the issue		Completion date	Remedial action status
Genesis populate any missing wattage information to record for both billing and settlement processes. The findings although relative have little to no material impact on settlement outcomes. Genesis will be advising the council to correct these instances.			Identified
Preventative actions taken to ensure no further issues will occur		Completion date	
Genesis will be advising the council to update the asset details.		01/10/2020	

## 2.5. All load recorded in database (Clause 11(2A) of Schedule 15.3)

### Code reference

*Clause 11(2A) of Schedule 15.3*

### Code related audit information

*The retailer must ensure that each item of DUML for which it is responsible is recorded in this database.*

### Audit observation

The field audit was undertaken of all 231 items of load on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2020.

### Audit commentary

The field audit findings for the sample of lamps was accurate with the exception of the streets detailed in the table below:



Street/Area	Database Count	Field Count	Lamp no. difference	No of incorrect lamp wattage	Comments
EARNSCLEUGH ROAD	7	7	-	1	1x 70W HPS recorded as 17W LED
MACLEAN ROAD	3	3	-	1	1 x 26W LED recorded as 35W LED
VENTRY ST	20	21	1	-	1x additional 17W LED found in the field
CRABBE PLACE	3	3	-	3	3 x 70W HPS recorded as 250W HPS
PATEAROA ROAD	4	3	-1	-	1 x 17W LED was not present in the field on a new pole
POOLBURN MOA CREEK RD	1	1	-	1	1 x 75W LED recorded as 35W LED
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>+1-1</b>	<b>6</b>	

This clause relates to lights in the field that are not recorded in the database. The field audit found one additional light in the field. This is recorded as a non-compliance below.

The database accuracy is discussed in **section 3.1**.

### Audit outcome

Non-compliant

Non-compliance	Description		
Audit Ref: 2.5 With: Clause 11(2A) of Schedule 15.3 From: 01-Sep-19 To: 05-Aug-20	One additional light found in the field. Potential impact: Low Actual impact: Low Audit history: Twice Controls: Moderate Breach risk rating: 2		
Audit risk rating	Rationale for audit risk rating		
<b>Low</b>	The controls are rated as moderate because they ensure most information is accurate. The impact is assessed to be low due to only one additional light found in the field in relation to the overall count of the items of load.		
Actions taken to resolve the issue		Completion date	Remedial action status
Genesis will be requesting CODC to add the additional lamp into its database		01/10/2020	Identified
Preventative actions taken to ensure no further issues will occur		Completion date	

Discuss asset management with the council.	01/10/2020	
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## 2.6. Tracking of load changes (Clause 11(3) of Schedule 15.3)

### Code reference

*Clause 11(3) of Schedule 15.3*

### Code related audit information

*The DUMML database must track additions and removals in a manner that allows the total load (in kW) to be retrospectively derived for any given day.*

### Audit observation

The process for tracking of changes in the database was examined.

### Audit commentary

The RAMM database functionality achieves compliance with the code. The change management process and the compliance of the database reporting provided to Genesis is detailed in **sections 3.1** and **3.2**.

### Audit outcome

Compliant

## 2.7. Audit trail (Clause 11(4) of Schedule 15.3)

### Code reference

*Clause 11(4) of Schedule 15.3*

### Code related audit information

*The DUMML database must incorporate an audit trail of all additions and changes that identify:*

- *the before and after values for changes*
- *the date and time of the change or addition*
- *the person who made the addition or change to the database.*

### Audit observation

The database was checked for audit trails.

### Audit commentary

The database has a complete audit trail.

### Audit outcome

Compliant

### 3. ACCURACY OF DUML DATABASE

#### 3.1. Database accuracy (Clause 15.2 and 15.37B(b))

##### Code reference

Clause 15.2 and 15.37B(b)

##### Code related audit information

Audit must verify that the information recorded in the retailer's DUML database is complete and accurate.

##### Audit observation

The DUML Statistical Sampling Guideline was used to determine the database accuracy. The table below shows the survey plan.

Plan Item	Comments
Area of interest	Central Otago District Council area
Strata	The database contains items of load in the Central Otago district area. The area has two distinct sub regions of urban and rural.  The processes for the management of all CODC items of load are the same, but I decided to place the items of load into four strata: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cromwell A-L</li> <li>2. Cromwell M-Z</li> <li>3. Alexandra</li> <li>4. Rural</li> </ol>
Area units	I created a pivot table of the roads and I used a random number generator in a spreadsheet to select a total of 58 sub-units.
Total items of load	231 items of load were checked.

Wattages were checked for alignment with the published standardised wattage table produced by the Electricity Authority or LED light specifications where available against the DUML database.

The change management process to track changes and timeliness of database updates was evaluated.

##### Audit commentary

##### Field audit findings

A statistical sample of 231 items of load found that the field data was 93% of the database data for the sample checked.

Result	Percentage	Comments
The point estimate of R	93%	Wattage from survey is lower than the database wattage by 7.0%
R <sub>L</sub>	82.1%	With a 95% level of confidence it can be concluded that the error could be between -17.9% and +2.8%
R <sub>H</sub>	102.8%	

These results were categorised in accordance with the “Distributed Unmetered Load Statistical Sampling Audit Guideline”, effective from 01/02/19 and the table below shows that Scenario C (detailed below) applies.

The conclusion from Scenario C is that the variability of the sample results across the strata means that the true wattage (installed in the field) could be between 17.9% lower to 2.8% higher than the wattage recorded in the DUML database. Non-compliance is recorded because the potential error is greater than 5.0%.

In absolute terms the installed capacity is estimated to be 4.0 kW lower than the database indicates.

There is a 95% level of confidence that the installed capacity is between 11 kW lower to 2 kW higher than the database.

In absolute terms, total annual consumption is estimated to be 19,00 kWh low than the DUML database indicates.

There is a 95% level of confidence that the annual consumption is between 48,100 kWh p.a. lower to 7,600 kWh p.a. higher than the database indicates.

Scenario	Description
<p><b>A - Good accuracy, good precision</b></p>	<p>This scenario applies if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) <math>R_H</math> is less than 1.05; and</li> <li>(b) <math>R_L</math> is greater than 0.95</li> </ul> <p>The conclusion from this scenario is that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the best available estimate indicates that the database is accurate within +/- 5 %; and</li> <li>(b) this is the best outcome.</li> </ul>
<p><b>B - Poor accuracy, demonstrated with statistical significance</b></p>	<p>This scenario applies if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the point estimate of R is less than 0.95 or greater than 1.05</li> <li>(b) as a result, either <math>R_L</math> is less than 0.95 or <math>R_H</math> is greater than 1.05.</li> </ul> <p>There is evidence to support this finding. In statistical terms, the inaccuracy is statistically significant at the 95% level</p>
<p><b>C - Poor precision</b></p>	<p>This scenario applies if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the point estimate of R is between 0.95 and 1.05</li> <li>(b) <math>R_L</math> is less than 0.95 and/or <math>R_H</math> is greater than 1.05</li> </ul> <p>The conclusion from this scenario is that the best available estimate is not precise enough to conclude that the database is accurate within +/- 5 %</p>

### **Lamp description and capacity accuracy**

I checked the wattages being applied in the database and found:

- 39 items of load that have an “unknown” lamp type recorded; all had a wattage recorded but this cannot be confirmed to be correct, and
- one item of load had no ballast wattage recorded, which will result in a very minor amount of under submission.

### **ICP location**

18 items of load without GPS coordinates and street number.

### **Change management process findings**

The processes were reviewed for new lamp connections and the tracking of load changes due to faults and maintenance. All fault and maintenance work is conducted by Delta and as each job is completed and invoiced, the database is updated by council staff from the invoice details to ensure database accuracy. The contract between CODC and Delta has expired, and the maintenance agreement is rolled month by month. CODC intend to put a maintenance contract in place.

The new subdivision process requires developers to install LED lights. These must be selected from the approved LED light types specified by NZTA. CODC accept responsibility of these assets upon the 224C being issued. As built plans are expected to be submitted to CODC as part of this process. Upon receipt of these CODC do a field check using pocket RAMM to confirm that the assets are recorded in RAMM correctly. Currently it can take up to three months post the 224C being issued before the “as built” plans are provided. The electrical connection of new streetlights is controlled by Aurora, and CODC are not advised of when this occurs. The new lights are recorded in the database from the date of vesting. This will be resulting in no submission occurring for the period between electrical connection and vesting of the assets to council. CODC are working on reviewing these processes and are having discussions with the two networks across which their district covers to improve the timeliness of new light information being added.

Lamp outages are predominately notified to CODC by residents from which work requests are made to Delta, there are no outage patrols due to the low failure rate of LED lights.

Their LED rollout project is complete. 92% of all lighting is now LED. The remaining 8% of lights will be replaced on a fail process as these lights were deemed uneconomic to replace as part of the LED rollout.

There are no festive lights connected to the unmetered streetlight circuits. Private lights are not held in the database.

### **Audit outcome**

Non-compliant

Non-compliance	Description		
Audit Ref: 3.1 With: Clause 15.2 and 15.37B(b)  From: 01-Sep-19 To: 05-Aug-20	Database is not confirmed as accurate with a 95% level of confidence. One 70W HPS lamp with no ballast applied. 39 items of load with unknown lamp type. 18 items of load without GPS coordinates and street number. New lights not recorded from date of installation. Potential impact: Low Actual impact: Low Audit history: Twice Controls: Moderate Breach risk rating: 4		
Audit risk rating	Rationale for audit risk rating		
Medium	The controls are rated as moderate, because field audit indicated the controls are robust but there is room for errors to occur.  The impact is assessed to be medium due to the kWh impact.		
Actions taken to resolve the issue		Completion date	Remedial action status
Genesis will be requesting the council to address the exceptions noted in the audit if they have not yet been completed.  The new connection process is again an issue that many councils face with the network not playing their part. The indicative completion date does not refer to the correction of this process due to the complexity around actually get the network to stop their current process and engage with the council to ensure that all developments are the responsibility of the developer and are not assigned a temporary ICP until work is completed and the council takes responsibility.		01/10/2020	Investigating
Preventative actions taken to ensure no further issues will occur		Completion date	
Genesis proactively provides the Council with exception reports when exceptions are identified. The missing ballast will be added during the reconciliation & billing processes. The small amount of unknown lamp types will generally have a lamp & gear wattage and therefore has very little to no impact on the settlement process as does the missing locational details.		01/10/2020	

### 3.2. Volume information accuracy (Clause 15.2 and 15.37B(c))

#### Code reference

Clause 15.2 and 15.37B(c)

#### Code related audit information

The audit must verify that:

- volume information for the DUML is being calculated accurately
- profiles for DUML have been correctly applied.

#### Audit observation

The submission was checked for accuracy for the month the database extract was supplied. This included:

- checking the registry to confirm that the ICP has the correct profile and submission flag, and
- checking the database extract combined with the burn hours against the submitted figure to confirm accuracy.

#### Audit commentary

Genesis reconciles this DUML load using the SST profile.

The total volume submitted to the Reconciliation Manager is based on a monthly database report derived from RAMM and the “burn time” which is sourced from data loggers. The methodology is compliant.

I checked the submission calculation provided by Genesis for May 2020 and it does not match the database. The table below shows the differences.

ICP	kWh value submitted	Calculated kWh value from database	Differences kWh
0000481144CEF63	14,361.27	15,706.86	1,345.59
0000002553CE07F	8,895.97	9,728.57	832.60
0001982630TG886	2,760.03	2,983.05	223.02

The kWh value submitted is labelled as “Forward Estimation” and it appears it may be based on a 30 day month (probably April 2020), but May is a 31 day month and this should be taken into account when estimates are conducted.

The field audit against the database quantities found that the database is not confirmed as accurate with a 95% level of confidence as recorded in **section 3.1**.

A check of the wattages applied identified a small number of lights with the incorrect wattage applied resulting in an estimated very minor over submission of 179 kWh as detailed in **section 3.1**.

CODC have no central management system in place and no plans to install one, but they have hard wired dimming for all Betacom lights (1,714 items of load or 83% of all lights) installed on their network. This was part of the night sky initiative in the area. The lights reduce their power consumption to 60% between the hours of midnight to 5am year-round. Currently this is not reflected in the submission volumes. This will be resulting in an estimated annual over submission of 25,000 kWh. New ICPs have been created and it is intended that submission will occur against the new ICPs from August 2020, but the dimming will not be taken into account. The new ICPs have the SST profile. It is intended that one light will be metered and the results will be used to possibly calculate a profile. A profile application has not yet been made.

On 18 June 2019, the Electricity Authority issued a memo confirming that the code requirement to calculate the correct monthly load must:

- take into account when each item of load was physically installed or removed, and
- wash up volumes must take into account where historical corrections have been made to the DUML load and volumes.

The current monthly report is provided as a snapshot and this practice is non-compliant. The database contains a “lamp install date” but there is not a field for “livening date” for newly connected lights. When

a wattage is changed in the database due to a physical change or a correction, only the record present at the time the report is run is recorded, not the historical information showing dates of changes.

**Audit outcome**

Non-compliant

Non-compliance	Description		
<p>Audit Ref: 3.2            Clause 15.2 and 15.37B(c)</p> <p>From: 01-Sep-19            To: 05-Aug-20</p>	<p>A discrepancy between the submission volume and the database resulting in an estimated under submission of 2,400 kWh for May 2020.</p> <p>Database is not confirmed as accurate with a 95% level of confidence, resulting in over submission of 19,000 kWh per annum.</p> <p>Over submission of an estimated 25,000 kWh per annum due to the hard-wired dimming LED lamps for 83% of the total lamps installed.</p> <p>The data used for submission does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.</p> <p>Potential impact: Medium</p> <p>Actual impact: Medium</p> <p>Audit history: Twice</p> <p>Controls: None</p> <p>Breach risk rating: 8</p>		
Audit risk rating	Rationale for audit risk rating		
<p><b>Medium</b></p>	<p>The controls are rated as none as there is no process in place to submit the correct consumption volumes for the hard-wired dimming which represents 83% of the lights in the CODC area.</p> <p>The impact is assessed to be medium, based on the kWh differences described above.</p>		
Actions taken to resolve the issue		Completion date	Remedial action status



<p>Genesis has initially settled the volumes as an estimation, due to not being able to populate the streetlighting information prior to settlement deadlines. The data has since been loaded and will rectify any under submission, as the revision process should. The billing of our customer of that estimation is a problem Genesis will have to discuss with their customer.</p> <p>The implementation of new ICP's for the LED assets has been completed. Genesis are currently waiting for the council to initiate the new connection process for individual asset(s) to have a MMHHR meter installed. The meter will provide Genesis with the information required to support their application for a profile enabling the reconciliation process to become compliant. Both the council and Genesis are aware that this currently is not compliant but trying to make the settlement be compliant without a certified profile also makes the process non-compliant.</p> <p>The completion date of the certification is unknown until Genesis able to install and gather interval data to support any application.</p>	unknown	Identified
<p><b>Preventative actions taken to ensure no further issues will occur</b></p>	<p><b>Completion date</b></p>	
<p>The forward estimation was done for the council in May due to not being able to populate the required information in due to resource constraints during that period. The estimation routine is done by our NHH reconciliation tool which has a compliant forward estimation process and will be Utilising the system information in order to calculate the monthly kWh. The information post settlement has been inserted into the system and will wash up any potential inaccuracies that may have been detected.</p>	unknown	

## CONCLUSION

The field audit was undertaken of 231 items of load. The field audit found a small number of errors and this led to the database accuracy threshold not being met.

CODC have no central management system in place and no plans to install one, but they have hard wired dimming for all Betacom lights (83% of all lights) installed on their network. This was part of the night sky initiative in the area. The lights reduce their power consumption to 60% between the hours of midnight to 5am year-round. Currently this is not reflected in the submission volumes. This will be resulting in an estimated annual over submission of 25,000 kWh.

The audit found six non-compliances and makes two recommendations. The future risk rating of 26 indicates that the next audit be completed in three months. I have considered this in conjunction with Genesis' comments and recommend that the next audit is in six months to allow sufficient time to address the matters raised in this audit.

## PARTICIPANT RESPONSE

Genesis believe they have made good ground in moving forward in the compliance of the CODC database. The Audit isn't a fair reflection of the work that has been carried out to date. Genesis Energy continues to work with the database administrator for the council regarding their streetlighting assets.