# ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY PARTICIPATION CODE DISTRIBUTED UNMETERED LOAD AUDIT REPORT



For

## KĀPITI COAST DISTRICT COUNCIL AND CONTACT ENERGY LIMITED (CTCS)

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This audit of the **Kāpiti Coast District Council (KCDC)** DUML database and processes was conducted at the request of **Contact Energy Limited (Contact)** 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. The scope of the audit encompasses the collection, security and accuracy of the data, including the preparation of submission information.

A RAMM database is held by KCDC. Fault, maintenance and upgrade work is managed by KCDC and is conducted by Fulton Hogan. Fulton Hogan enters database updates using Pocket RAMM.

A full field audit has been completed and the database was found to be accurate to within 0.2%. The controls are strong for changes and new connections, once new areas have been vested. There is still a gap between light livening and vesting, where the developer should take responsibility for the consumption of the lights.

Minor issues found are as follows:

- a small number of field discrepancies,
- one light in the database without a model or wattage, and
- some items of load may need to be removed from the database if they are metered, and some may need to be added if it is confirmed they are Council owned.

Overall, this is an excellent result. The future risk rating indicates the next audit be conducted in 24 months' time. I agree with this recommendation.

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	The monthly database extract provided does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.	Strong	Low	1	Identified
			Livening dates are not recorded for new connections; and change dates may not reflect the date of the change if they are not processed in RAMM at the time that the change occurs.				
			One item of load does not have the wattage recorded.				
Description and capacity of load	2.4	11(2)(c) and (d) of Schedule 15.3	One item of load with blank model and wattage.	Strong	Low	1	Identified
Database accuracy	3.1	15.2 and 15.37B(b)	The monthly database extract provided does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.  Livening dates are not recorded for new connections; and change dates may not reflect the date of the change if they are not	Strong	Low	1	Identified
			processed in RAMM at the time that the change occurs.  One item of load with zero wattage and no lamp model.				
Volume information accuracy	3.2	15.2 and 15.37B(c)	The monthly database extract provided does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.	Strong	Low	1	Investigating
			Livening dates are not recorded for new connections; and change dates may not reflect the date of the change if they are not processed in RAMM at the time that the change occurs.				
			One item of load does not have the wattage recorded.				
Future Risk Ra	iting					4	

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

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Subject	Section	Recommendation
Location of items of load	2.3	Populate GPS coordinates for 20 items of load.
Database accuracy	3.1	Check 39 items of load to confirm if they should be recorded against ICP 0016099024EL49F.

## 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.

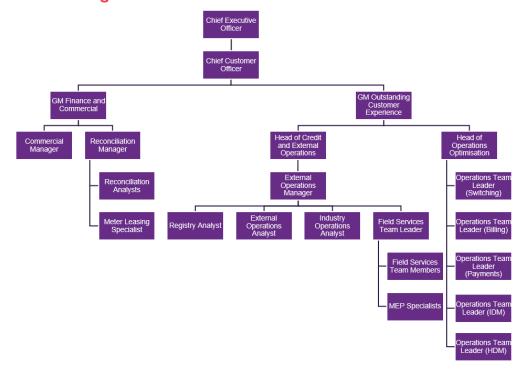
## **Audit commentary**

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

## 1.2. Structure of Organisation

Contact Energy provided a copy of their organisational structure.

## **Contact Organisational Diagram**



#### 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
Fraser Miller	Network Operations Engineer	Kāpiti Coast District Council
Luke Cartmell-Gollan	Commercial Operations Manager	Contact Energy

## 1.4. Hardware and Software

The SQL database used for the management of DUML is remotely hosted by RAMM Software Ltd. The database is commonly known as "RAMM" which stands for "Roading Asset and Maintenance Management". The specific module used for DUML is called RAMM Contractor.

RAMM Software Limited backs up the database and assists with disaster recovery as part of their hosting service. Nightly backups are performed. As a minimum, daily backups are retained for the previous five working days, weekly backups are retained for the previous four weeks, and monthly backups are retained for the previous six months.

Access to the database is secure by way of password protection.

Systems used by the trader to calculate submissions are assessed as part of their reconciliation participant audits.

## 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	NSP	Profile	Number of items of load	Database wattage (watts)
0016099024EL49F	KCDC STREETLIGHTS	PRM0331	DST	4760	164,905

### 1.7. Authorisation Received

All information was provided directly by Contact or KCDC.

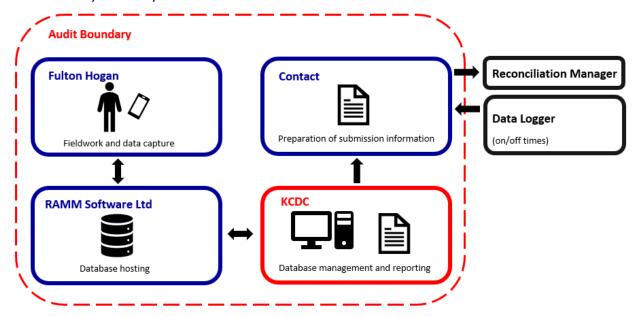
## 1.8. Scope of Audit

This audit of the KCDC DUML database and processes was conducted at the request of Contact 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.

A RAMM database is held by KCDC. Fault, maintenance and upgrade work is managed by KCDC and is conducted by Fulton Hogan. Fulton Hogan enters database updates using Pocket RAMM.

The scope of the audit encompasses the collection, security and accuracy of the data, including the preparation of submission information based on the database reporting. The diagram below shows the audit boundary for clarity.



The field audit was undertaken of a statistical sample of 249 items of load on 18 May 2021.

## 1.9. Summary of previous audit

The previous audit of this database was undertaken by Tara Gannon of Veritek Limited in November 2019. The summary table below shows the statuses of the non-compliances raised in the previous audit. Further comment is made in the relevant sections of this report.

## **Table of Non-compliances**

Subject	Section	Clause	Non-compliance	Status
Deriving submission information	2.1	11(1) of Schedule 15.3	41 metered lights were included in the submission calculation, resulting in over submission of 3,137 W or 1,145 kWh for September 2019.  The monthly database extract provided does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.	Partially cleared

Subject	Section	Clause	Non-compliance	Status
			Livening dates are not recorded for new connections; and change dates may not reflect the date of the change if they are not processed in RAMM at the time that the change occurs.	
			Seven unmetered items of load do not have an ICP number recorded.	
			One 250 W HPS lamp was confirmed to have an incorrect gear wattage, resulting in under submission of 43 kWh per annum.	
ICP identifier and items of load	2.2	11(2)(a) and (aa) of Schedule 15.3	Seven unmetered items of load do not to have an ICP number recorded.	Cleared
Database accuracy	3.1	15.2 and 15.37B(b)	The monthly database extract provided does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.	Partially cleared
			Livening dates are not recorded for new connections; and change dates may not reflect the date of the change if they are not processed in RAMM at the time that the change occurs.	
			Seven unmetered items of load do not have an ICP number recorded.	
			One 250 W HPS lamp was confirmed to have an incorrect gear wattage, resulting in under submission of 43 kWh per annum.	
Volume information accuracy	3.2	15.2 and 15.37B(c)	41 metered lights were included in the submission calculation, resulting in over submission of 3,137 W or 1,145 kWh for September 2019.	Partially cleared
			The monthly database extract provided does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.	
			Livening dates are not recorded for new connections; and change dates may not reflect the date of the change if they	

Subject	Section	Clause	Non-compliance	Status
			are not processed in RAMM at the time that the change occurs.  One 250 W HPS lamp was confirmed to have an incorrect gear wattage, resulting in under submission of 43 kWh per annum.	

## **Table of Recommendations**

Subject	Section	Recommendation	Status
Description of load type	2.4	Confirm the correct lamp and gear wattages for PH (LED8, 0 watts), SYLV (RS, 60 watts), BETA (B70, 70 watts) and PH (MLG, 35 watts), and update the database as necessary.	Cleared
Database accuracy	3.1	Confirm the correct wattages for the Roadstar LED lights and update the database as necessary.	Cleared

## 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**

Contact 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 within the required timeframe.

#### **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**

Contact reconciles this DUML load using the DST profile.

I reviewed the submission information for April 2021 and found the calculation methodology was correct. The wattage was based on the total wattage for ICP 0016099024EL49F from the database, and on hours were based on data logger information.

The field audit found that the database is accurate to within +/- 5%. With a 95% level of confidence, it can be concluded that the error could be between -0.2% and +0.7%.

As recorded in **section 2.4**, one item of load does not have wattage recorded.

On 18 June 2019, the Electricity Authority issued a memo clarifying the memo of 2012 that stated that a monthly snapshot was sufficient to calculate submission from, and confirmed 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. 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. Contact completes revision submissions where corrections are required; and have not yet updated their processes to be consistent with the Authority's memo.

The RAMM database records an installation date, which typically records the original installation date for the light. There is no separate livening date.

Change dates are automatically generated by RAMM when records change but cannot be selected by the user. Where a change is entered using Pocket RAMM at the time of the change, this date will reflect the date on which the change occurred. If a correction or change is processed at a later date, the change date may be incorrect.

#### **Audit outcome**

Non-compliant

Non-compliance	Description				
Audit Ref: 2.1 With: Clause 11(1) of	The monthly database extract provided does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.				
Schedule 15.3	Livening dates are not recorded for new connections; and change dates may not reflect the date of the change if they are not processed in RAMM at the time that the change occurs.				
	One item of load does not have the watt	age recorded.			
	Potential impact: Low				
	Actual impact: Low				
From: 01-Oct-20	Audit history: Twice				
To: 21-May-21	Controls: Strong				
	Breach risk rating: 1				
Audit risk rating	Rationale for audit risk rating				
Low	The controls are recorded as strong becalevel.	e risk to an acceptable			
	The impact on settlement and participar is low.	nts is minor; there	fore, the audit risk rating		
Actions to	aken to resolve the issue	Completion date	Remedial action status		
to allow for livening date	g the fields and functionality of RAMM s to be entered and reported as at ther than entered or certification date.	31/8/2021	Identified		
_	wattage has been resolved.	Complete			
Preventative actions tak	en to ensure no further issues will occur	Completion date			
divested. Reporting has s	vas due to project run by NZTA and ubsequently been built to allow for any d – this is run monthly prior to	Complete			

## 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.

#### **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 light ID, pole ID, road name, house address, location number, and pole number. All items of load have a light ID and pole ID recorded, and this can be used to map the location of each light using RAMM.

GPS coordinates are populated for all but 20 items of load. Whilst all items of load could be located, I recommend the coordinates are populated for these 20 examples.

Recommendation	Description	Audited party comment	Remedial action
Regarding clause 11(2)(b) of Schedule 15.3	Populate GPS coordinates for 20 items of load.	This recommendation has been completed.	Identified

#### **Audit outcome**

### Compliant

## 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 DUML 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 that:

- it contained a field for light type and wattage capacity,
- wattage capacities include any ballast or gear wattage, and
- each item of load has a light type, light wattage, and gear wattage recorded.

## **Audit commentary**

The database contains fields for lamp make and model, lamp wattage and gear wattage. All but one items of load have a lamp make and model, lamp wattage, and gear wattage populated.

Light ID 66956 does not have the lamp model or wattage recorded. KCDC has been provided this information and they intend to correct this.

## **Audit outcome**

## Non-compliant

Non-compliance	Description			
Audit Ref: 2.4	One item of load with blank model and wattage.			
With: Clause 11(2)(c)	Potential impact: Low			
and (d) of Schedule 15.3	Actual impact: Low			
15.5	Audit history: None			
From: 01-Oct-20	Controls: Strong			
To: 21-May-21	Breach risk rating: 1			
Audit risk rating	Rationale for	r audit risk rating		
Low	The controls are recorded as strong because they mitigate risk to an acceptable level.			
	The impact on settlement and participants is minor; therefore, the audit risk rating is low.			
Actions ta	ken to resolve the issue	Completion date	Remedial action status	
Wattage has been added	to the item of load.	Complete	Identified	
Preventative actions taken to ensure no further issues will occur		Completion date		
The missed item of load was due to project run by NZTA and divested. Reporting has subsequently been built to allow for any blank field to be identified – this is run monthly prior to submitting the database.		Complete		

## 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 a statistical sample of 249 items of load on 18 May 2021. The sample was selected from four strata, as follows:

- 1. Otaki,
- 2. Paekakariki and Raumati,
- 3. Paraparaumu, and
- 4. Waikanae.

## **Audit commentary**

The field audit discrepancies are detailed in the table below:

Street	Database count	Field count	Light count difference	Wattage recorded incorrectly	Comments
BAHAMA CRES	3	3	-	3	3 x L46 LED lights recorded as L40 LED light.
TILLEY RD	25	25	-	10	10 x L23 LED lights were recorded as L27 LED lights.
Grand Total				13	

This clause relates to lights in the field that are not recorded in the database. The audit did not find any additional lights in the field.

#### **Audit outcome**

Compliant

## 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 DUML 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 Contact 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 DUML 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**

Contact's submissions are based on a monthly extract from the RAMM database. A RAMM database extract was provided in May 2021 and I assessed the accuracy of this by using the DUML Statistical Sampling Guideline. The table below shows the survey plan.

Plan Item	Comments	
Area of interest	Kāpiti Coast City Council Street Lights	
Strata	The database contains the KCDC items of load for DUML ICPs in the Kāpiti Coast region.	
	The processes for the management of all KCDC items of load are the same, but I decided to place the items of load into four strata:	
	1. Otaki,	
	2. Paekakariki and Raumati,	
	3. Paraparaumu, and	
	4. Waikanae.	
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 44 sub-units.	
Total items of load	249 items of load were checked, which made up approx. 5% of the total database wattage.	

Wattages were checked for alignment with the published standardised wattage table produced by the Electricity Authority against the RAMM database.

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

## **Audit commentary**

## Field audit findings

A field audit was conducted of a statistical sample of 249 items of load. The "database auditing tool" was used to analyse the results, which are shown in the table below.

Result	Percentage	Comments
The point estimate of R	99.8	Wattage from survey is lower than the database wattage by 0.2%
RL	99.0	With a 95% level of confidence, it can be concluded that the error could be between -0.2% and +0.7%
R <sub>H</sub>	100.7	error could be between -0.2% and +0.7%

The variability of the sample results across the strata means that the true wattage (installed in the field) could be between 0.2% lower and 0.7% higher than the wattage recorded in the DUML database.

These results were categorised in accordance with the "Distributed Unmetered Load Statistical Sampling Audit Guideline", effective from 1 February 2019 and the table below shows that Scenario A (detailed below) applies. Compliance is recorded because the best estimate indicates that the database is accurate within ±5.0%.

There is a 95% level of confidence that the annual consumption is between 7,000 kWh per annum lower and 5,100 kWh per annum higher than the database indicates.

In absolute terms the installed capacity is estimated to be the same as the database indicates.

There is a 95% level of confidence that the installed capacity is between 2.0 kW lower and 1.0 kW higher than the database.

In absolute terms, total annual consumption is estimated to be 1,400 kWh lower than the DUML database indicates.

Scenario	Description	
A - Good accuracy, good precision	This scenario applies if:	
	(a) R <sub>H</sub> is less than 1.05; and	
	(b) $R_L$ is greater than 0.95 The conclusion from this scenario is that:	
	(a) the best available estimate indicates that the database is accurate within +/- 5 %; and	
	(b) this is the best outcome.	
B - Poor accuracy, demonstrated with statistical	This scenario applies if:	
significance	(a) the point estimate of R is less than 0.95 or greater than 1.05	
	(b) as a result, either $R_{L}$ is less than 0.95 or $R_{H}$ is greater than 1.05.	
	There is evidence to support this finding. In statistical terms, the inaccuracy is statistically significant at the 95% level	
C - Poor precision	This scenario applies if:	
	(a) the point estimate of R is between 0.95 and 1.05	
	(b) $R_L$ is less than 0.95 and/or $R_H$ is greater than 1.05	
	The conclusion from this scenario is that the best available estimate is not precise enough to conclude that the database is accurate within +/- 5 %	

#### **ICP** number accuracy

All ICP numbers are recorded. 12 items of load are recorded as metered but are against the 0016099024EL49F ICP. KCDC intends to check if these should be recorded as unmetered.

There are 27 items of load with "Non\_Roading Owner" in the ICP field, but the owner field has community services, parks local authority, other or unknown recorded. I also recommend these are checked to determine if they should be against the Council ICP.

Recommendation	Description	Audited party comment	Remedial action
Regarding Clause 15.2 and 15.37B(b)	Check 39 items of load to confirm if they should be recorded against ICP 0016099024EL49F.	A review will be completed and the ICP categorization will be updated where required; Any KCDC light will be allocated to 0016099024EL49F; other lights will be categorised as metered or where available the ICP; Please note only assets that are KCDC owned are maintained within RAMM – all other records are for reference purposes only. If the lights do no operate on the DST profile, these will be categorised under another KCDC owned ICP	Identified

### Light description and capacity accuracy

As discussed in **section 2.4**, one item of load does not have the lamp description or wattage entered. The discrepancies from the last audit have been corrected.

## **Change management process findings**

Fault, maintenance and upgrade work is managed by KCDC and was conducted by Fulton Hogan. Database updates are made directly via Pocket RAMM.

Photos are required to be provided when work is completed. The photos and claims for work completed submitted by Fulton Hogan are checked against the database records. Any discrepancies are followed up with Fulton Hogan.

I walked through the new connection process.

- For subdivisions, the developer is responsible for providing a plan for streetlighting to KCDC for approval which includes approved luminaires as set out in the Kāpiti Coast District Council Standard Details and Specifications for Road Lighting Infrastructure (30 December 2018). The approved lights are then installed. As part of the section 224C process, the developer is required to arrange for a qualified person to complete a RAMM inventory including taking photos, and also provide the Electra network's approval of the connection and certification. The RAMM information is checked against the as built plans and photos, and any discrepancies are investigated. Field checks are carried out if deemed necessary. The database is not updated until vesting has occurred, therefore there can be a gap between livening and the database update date.
- For new connections initiated by KCDC, Fulton Hogan completes the field work, and updates the database using Pocket RAMM.

The current monthly report is provided as a snapshot and this practice is non-compliant. 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.

The RAMM database records an installation date, which typically records the original installation date for the light. There is no separate livening date.

Change dates are automatically generated by RAMM when records change; but cannot be selected by the user. Where a change is entered using Pocket RAMM at the time of the change, this date will reflect the date on which the change occurred. If a correction or change is processed at a later date, the change date may be incorrect.

Outage patrols are conducted every three months, and Fulton Hogan directly update their findings into RAMM from the field.

## **Festive lights**

KCDC confirmed that there is no festive lighting used on the Kāpiti Coast.

## **Private lights**

120 unmetered private lights are recorded in the database. One is included in the extract provided to Contact Energy but the other 119 do not have an ICP recorded against them. They used to be recorded against the KCDC ICP but following a recent complete field audit, they are now recorded as "NON\_ROADING\_OWNER" and not reported to Contact. It does not appear that Electra (the distributor) has any shared unmetered load ICPs, therefore I have provided this list to the Electricity Authority to be passed on to Electra to create shared unmetered load ICPs. There are a further 35 items of load categorised as "NON\_ROADING\_OWNER" with light owners of:

- Community services,
- Wgtn Reg Council (carparking),
- Parks,
- Unknown,
- Power Board.
- Local Authority, and
- NZTA.

The NZTA lights are now in a separate database managed by NZTA. The Wellington Regional Council lights will be advised to Wellington Regional Council by KCDC. I have asked KCDC if the remaining lights should be assigned to the 0016099024EL49F ICP.

## **NZTA lights**

NZTA lights are now separately recorded against NZTA ICPs.

#### **Audit outcome**

Non-compliant

Non-compliance	Description			
Audit Ref: 3.1 With: Clause 15.2 and	The monthly database extract provided does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.			
15.37B(b)	Livening dates are not recorded for new connections; and change dates may not reflect the date of the change if they are not processed in RAMM at the time that the change occurs.			
	One item of load with zero wattage and	no lamp model.		
	Potential impact: Low			
	Actual impact: Low			
	Audit history: Twice			
From: 01-Oct-19	Controls: Moderate			
To: 21-May-21	Breach risk rating: 2			
Audit risk rating	Rationale for audit risk rating			
Low	The controls are recorded as strong because they mitigate risk to an acceptable level.  The impact on settlement and participants is minor; therefore, the audit risk rating is low.			
Actions to	aken to resolve the issue	Completion date	Remedial action status	
Kapiti DC will be reviewing the fields and functionality of RAMM to allow for livening dates to be entered and reported as at		31/8/2021	Identified	
effective livening date, rather than entered or certification date.  The item of load with no wattage has been resolved.		Complete		
Preventative actions taken to ensure no further issues will occur		Completion date		
The missed item of load was due to project run by NZTA and divested. Reporting has subsequently been built to allow for any blank field to be identified – this is run monthly prior to submitting the database.		Complete		

## 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 on hours against the submitted figure to confirm accuracy.

#### **Audit commentary**

Contact reconciles this DUML load using the DST profile.

I reviewed the submission information for April 2021 and found the calculation methodology was correct. The wattage was based on the total wattage for ICP 0016099024EL49F from the database, and on hours were based on data logger information.

The field audit found that the database is accurate to within +/- 5%. With a 95% level of confidence, it can be concluded that the error could be between -0.2% and +0.7%.

As recorded in **section 2.4**, one item of load does not have wattage recorded.

On 18 June 2019, the Electricity Authority issued a memo clarifying the memo of 2012 that stated that a monthly snapshot was sufficient to calculate submission from, and confirmed 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. 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. Contact completes revision submissions where corrections are required; and have not yet updated their processes to be consistent with the Authority's memo.

The RAMM database records an installation date, which typically records the original installation date for the light. There is no separate livening date.

Change dates are automatically generated by RAMM when records change; but cannot be selected by the user. Where a change is entered using Pocket RAMM at the time of the change, this date will reflect the date on which the change occurred. If a correction or change is processed at a later date, the change date may be incorrect.

### **Audit outcome**

Non-compliant

Non-compliance	Description			
Audit Ref: 3.2 With: Clause 15.2 and	The monthly database extract provided does not track changes at a daily basis and is provided as a snapshot.			
15.37B(c)	Livening dates are not recorded for new connections; and change dates may not reflect the date of the change if they are not processed in RAMM at the time that the change occurs.			
	One item of load does not have the watt	age recorded.		
	Potential impact: Low			
	Actual impact: Low			
	Audit history: Twice			
From: 01-Oct-20	Controls: Strong			
To: 21-May-21	Breach risk rating: 1			
Audit risk rating	Rationale for audit risk rating			
Low	The controls are recorded as strong because they mitigate risk to an acceptab level.  The impact on settlement and participants is minor; therefore, the audit risk r is low.			
Actions taken to resolve the issue		Completion date	Remedial action status	
Kapiti DC will be reviewing the fields and functionality of RAMM to allow for livening dates to be entered and reported as at		31/8/2021	Investigating	
effective livening date, rather than entered or certification date.  The item of load with no wattage has been resolved.		Complete		
Preventative actions taken to ensure no further issues will occur		Completion date		
The missed item of load was due to project run by NZTA and divested. Reporting has subsequently been built to allow for any blank field to be identified – this is run monthly prior to submitting the database.		Complete		

## CONCLUSION

The audit was conducted in accordance with the audit guidelines for DUML audits version 1.1. The scope of the audit encompasses the collection, security and accuracy of the data, including the preparation of submission information.

A RAMM database is held by KCDC. Fault, maintenance and upgrade work is managed by KCDC and is conducted by Fulton Hogan. Fulton Hogan enters database updates using Pocket RAMM.

A full field audit has been completed and the database was found to be accurate to within 0.2%. The controls are strong for changes and new connections, once new areas have been vested. There is still a gap between light livening and vesting, where the developer should take responsibility for the consumption of the lights.

Minor issues found are as follows:

- a small number of field discrepancies,
- one light in the database without a model or wattage, and
- some items of load may need to be removed from the database if they are metered and some may need to be added if it is confirmed they are Council owned.

Overall, this is an excellent result. The future risk rating indicates the next audit be conducted in 24 months' time. I agree with this recommendation.

## PARTICIPANT RESPONSE

The Council has been a pleasure to work with and have been very focussed on improving the accuracy of their submissions, which can be seen by their continuous trend downward in points scored via their external audits.

The Council has worked hard since the last Audit period to implement all recommendations and resolve non-compliances. This audit has identified one gap in the process in relation to assets that have been divested and further controls have since been introduced to pick up these issues prior to submission.

The Council will continue to work on the additional non-compliances found in this audit which will likely require changes to how it manages the data in RAMM to ensure accurate daily volumes are ale to be submitted to the market.