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Four proposed operational changes to the Registry

Introduction

1. Vector welcomes the opportunity to respond to the Electricity Authority's consultation paper *Part 10 implementation – Four proposed operational changes to the Registry*, dated 22 June 2012. No part of this submission is confidential and we are happy for it to be publicly released.
2. Vector's contact person for this submission is:
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3. Vector's responses to the questions in the consultation paper are set out in Appendix One.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "B Girdwood".

Bruce Girdwood
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APPENDIX ONE: RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS

Question no	Question	Response
Q1.	Do you agree with the removal of the thin client as a method of accessing the registry on 14 September 2012 (and only allowing access by web browser from this date)? Please give reasons if you do not agree.	Yes.
Q2.	Are there other issues that should be investigated prior to the removal of the thin client? Please provide details.	<p>Yes. We would prefer the timeout to be increased from 60 minutes to 120 minutes – some of our users find 60 minutes to be too short a timeframe.</p> <p>Vector would also find it useful if it was possible to be able to do searches with the dash before the check sum with web browser, as you can now with the thin client.</p>
Q3.	Do you agree that trader maintenance should be permitted to all trader fields (excluding the primary metering contact/proposed MEP field) while a switch is in progress? Please give reasons if you do not agree.	No comment.
Q4.	Do you consider that trader maintenance should be permitted to only some trader fields while a switch is in progress e.g. ICP status? Please give the names of the trader fields and reasons for the restrictions.	No comment.

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Q5.	If trader maintenance is permitted to any trader field while a switch is in progress, should the gaining trader receive a notification of the change? Please give reasons.	No comment.
Q6.	Do you agree with the proposal to align the attribute names on registry screens with the Code? Please give reasons if you do not agree.	Yes.
Q7.	Do you agree with changing the registry user screens to tabular format? Please give reasons if you do not agree.	No. Vector's preference is to retain the structured layout, which is easier to navigate as the required information is available on one screen.