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Issue Title:	DCUSA SIG DIF 040 The Inclusion of a Theft Assessment Calculator within DCUSA
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Nature of Issue
<p>History</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Creating an 'Assessment Calculator of Unrecorded Energy' was discussed at both the SPAA and DCUSA (DCP54) Theft Code of Practice working groups.▪ Discussions within the SPAA working group have continued, with proposals currently being reviewed within the Theft workgroup. <p>Benefits of a Calculator</p> <p>The chosen provider proposes to supply a simple spreadsheet tool, which utilises a new approach to estimating gas demand in domestic and non-domestic properties where gas theft has been identified. The revised calculator approach will be robust and defensible, drawing on well recognised data sources and data models currently deployed in the UK. The calculator could be utilised by both network operators and suppliers.</p>

Potential Benefits of a Dual Fuel Calculator

- Cost saving as dual fuel procurement compared to independent procurements.
- Reduction in costs for ongoing maintenance.
- Reduced administration costs.
- It would allow standardisation within dual fuel suppliers.
- EST noted that the gas calculator was significantly inaccurate. This may also apply to electricity calculators used.
- There could be consistency of approach for both fuels.

DCUSA Issue

- Views from DCUSA Parties on this concept.
- Where should this best fit within the DCUSA?

Solution Overview – if known

Solution description:	Raise a change requiring the DCUSA to procure and maintain a theft assessment calculator.
Lead time for Implementation:	To be confirmed at workgroup.