

**CMA CHANGE PROPOSAL**Form  
version 2.7Change Proposal reference  
(To be allocated by the CMA MDA.)**CMACPx215**

Version No.

**C.1****PART A — SUBMISSION**

## A.1. GENERAL DETAILS

A.1.a. TITLE	Removal of WCDS Vacancy		
A.1.b. CONTACT NAME	Neil Cohen	CONTACT EMAIL; TEL/MOB.	Neil.cohen@cmascotland.co.uk
A.1.c. ASSOCIATED DOCS.			
A.1.d. PROPOSED URGENCY	NON-URGENT		
A.1.e. REASONS FOR URGENCY			

The CMA CEO will review this information and make a decision as to whether to take this CMACP forward as urgent

## A.2. CMACP DETAILS

### A.2.a. BACKGROUND: ISSUE OR DEFECT WHICH THIS CMACP SEEKS TO ADDRESS

The Wholesale Charge Deferral Scheme (WCDS) was implemented in May 2020 under the auspices of M CCP251 – CC to apply during the period of the Covid 19 outbreak. The scheme involved two main components:

- The use of the D2006 29e to identify a 60% discount, to be applied at a SPID (with a view to any such discount being retrospectively removed once the scheme unwinds, thereby constituting a deferral), ostensibly to cover non-volumetric costs and
- The application of additional controls over the use of the D2015 SPID Vacant to include premises affected by the Covid 19 outbreak, whereby, during the period of the WCDS, any vacancy requires a valid code to be submitted by the LP, following provision of such by SW (these codes having initially been calculated by the CMA and provided to SW). These codes are required for both transactions and RA's when a vacancy is set to True.

It is now anticipated that the WCDS will terminate as of the end of April 2021 and be replaced with a WCDS II which envisages the use of the D2006 29e for up to 100% charge deferral (i.e. a deferral of all costs on a SPID). This being the case, the use of WCDS vacancy will no longer be required and this proposal seeks to remove the additional controls currently applied to vacancy.

It is assumed that the use of the D2006 29e by SW to effect the discounts and the subsequent use of Retrospective Amendments to reverse out these discounts do not need any flag or indicator in the CMA Central Systems to confirm that these discounts are for the purposes of WCDS or WCDS II. Hence, as of May 2021, the use of the following can be amended:

- The D4018 WCDS Flag can be set to False. This means that the T012.1 can be submitted to include a D2015 SPID Vacant set to True without any D2049 WCDS Code.
- The D2049 WCDS Code can be discontinued.
- The WCDS Vacancy RA can be discontinued.
- The D2015 SPID Vacant can be re-instated to the Chargeable Data for a SPID RA.

### A.2.b. USER REQUIREMENTS

#### UR 1 Market Data.

**UR 1.2 D4018 WCDS Value.** The WCDS Flag should be set to False, as of 2021-05-01:

**UR 1.3 D2049 WCDS Code.** The D2049 WCDS Code need no longer be calculated, provided to SW, or recorded in the CMA CS, after 2021-04-30.

**Commentary:** The D4018 being set to False to removes the additional validation applying to the T012.1.

**UR 2 Chargeable Data for a SPID RA.** This RA should be amended to re-instate the D2015 SPID Vacant as of 2021-05-01.

**Commentary:** This re-instates the pre-WCDS arrangements. It should be noted that the WCDS Vacancy RA remains in place but will be redundant and can be removed from the Additional Services Schedule and the LVI in due course.

## PART B — ASSESSMENT

### B.1. ASSESSMENT PROCESS

B.1.a. ASSESSMENT START DATE	2021-05-26	ASSESSMENT END DATE	2021-05-27
B.1.b. IMPACT ASSESSMENT REQUIREMENT	IA REQUIRED (COST ONLY)		
Associated docs to this part b			

### B.2. ASSESSMENT DETAILS

#### B.2.a. CHANGE SPEC AND IMPACT (IF DIFFERENT FROM THAT ORIGINALLY SUBMITTED)

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#### B.2.b. CMA STAFF REVIEW

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#### B.2.c. ASSESSMENT AGAINST PRINCIPLES (Y OR N OR N/A, AND ELABORATE AS NECESSARY)

Completeness — Y  
 Duly Signed — Y  
 Within MC Objectives — Y  
 Proportionality — Y: See below.  
 Transparency — N/A  
 Simplicity — Y: Reverts to pre-WCDS arrangements with minimal change.  
 Cost-effectiveness — Y: See below.  
 Security — N/A  
 Non-exclusivity — N/A  
 Barriers to entry — N/A  
 Non-discrimination — N/A  
 Non-detrimental to SW Core Functions — N/A

COST ESTIMATE	Minimal.
BENEFITS	Avoids managing the WCDS vacancy arrangements when these are no longer required.
BENEFIT ESTIMATE (L: < £10k. M: £10k to £100k. H: > £100k)	Assume: M
B.2.d. RECOMMENDATION	RECOMMEND
B.2.e. PLANNED IMP DATE	Early June 2021

**PART C — APPROVAL**

C.1. CMA CEO APPROVAL STATUS	APPROVED CHANGE
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C.2. DATE OF APPROVAL STATUS	2021-06-02
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C.3. CMA CEO SIGNATURE	
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C.4. CMA CEO COMMENTS	
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**PART D — IMPLEMENTATION**

D.1. IMPLEMENTATION DATE	yyyy-mm-dd
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D.2. IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS (CMA Central Systems release number, etc.)	
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