

# P272

## Frequently Asked Questions

### What is P272?

P272 is a modification to the Balancing and Settlement Code approved by the energy regulator OFGEM, affecting in excess of 160,000 sites across the UK.

### Why is this happening?

HH data is used in a process called settlement, this is a more accurate mechanism for ensuring that usage is allocated correctly to customers and suppliers.

### What does 'Settlement' Mean?

This is the process used to allocate the consumption used by customers to suppliers.

### How will i know if my meter is affected?

Only AMR meters with a profile class of 05-08 will be affected by p272. You can find your profile class on your MPAN number. This is usually the first 2 digits after the S in the top row of boxes as highlighted below.

S	Profile Class	Meter Time Switch Code	Line Loss Factor
	05	234	567
	Distribution ID	Meter Point ID Number	Check Digit
	10	2345 6789	012

### Are quarterly billed meters / unmetered supplies affected?

No, these are not affected at this time. However there is an aim to have all meters settle on an HH basis in the future.

### When will this happen?

The deadline date is currently set for April 2017 so it is important that you get your meter changed before then.

### Will this disrupt my supply?

No, any amendments to metering specifications will be done remotely. However at times access to site may be required.

### Will i be charged more?

This varies from business to business and depends on how and when you are using your electricity and the geographical location of your meter. There will be new charge elements, but there could also be a reduction in your unit rate.

### Will i be subject to HH Volume Tolerance charges?

This depends on the contract that you are on. For more information please give a member of our team a call on 01772 689 250.

### Are all suppliers doing this?

Yes. All suppliers have the same obligation and must implement P272.

Will meter operator agreements be required?

You must have a meter operator that can handle HH metering. If you do not then you can appoint one or Inspired EEnergy can do this on your behalf.

### How can i prepare for P272?

You will probably already be using an HH meter. In 2015 all businesses using an automated and accredited electricity meter within the 05-08 class were switched to a half hourly meter. If you were outside this remit you will be switched to a HH meter before the 1st April 2017. Electricity charges will vary at different times of the day so it may get a little pricier.

### How can Inspired Energy help me?

As part of this legislation you are required to appoint a MOP and DC. If you do not take action your supplier will appoint their preferred providers. We have the experience and knowledge to source you a more competitive contract to deliver the best service and manage your migration to the Half Hourly market.