Terminating Discovery

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1 Overview

SAS references are to sas-r03d.

The discover process described in 4.6.11.5, though no longer mandatory following every BROADCAST (CHANGE), is easily interpreted to require that once begun, it shall be pursued blindly to completion despite any indication (e.g., arrival of another BROADCAST (CHANGE)) that its continuation may be based on obsolete information. This proposal is to explicitly allow termination of the discover process prior to its completion in such cases.

2 Instructions to editor

At the end of 4.6.11.5, change

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The discover process may be aborted prior to completion if there is an indication that it may be based on incorrect information (e.g., arrival of a BROADCAST (CHANGE)).

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