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Subject: EH/865/DA - Update to EH/863/DA - Representation Pack

Dear Colleague,

Further to the note EH/863/DA - 2 sent as part of**EH/863/DA - Representation Pack**on 12/09/08, the file types and hierachies relate to the CRE file and not CEP. Please also be aware that the chosen option once agreed will become version 6 of the file format and version 2 of the hierachy. Below is a copy of the original note with the correct file types embedded.

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EH/863/DA - 2 - COR1231 Inclusion of LDZ, LMN AQ, & Invoice Number on CSEPS Reconciliation (CRE) File

At UK Link Committee 18th April 2008 a shipper highlighted that the current CRE file format requires significant manual intervention to validate and load into shippers systems, and requested that the invoice number be provided on the J80 and J81 records.

In order to support the proposal xoserve has undertaken analysis into the proposal to determine solution options. This highlighted that the invoice number cannot be assigned per J80 and J81 record as currently the GRE, NTS and LDZ charges all reside on the same line but potentially relate to three different invoices. Two amended solution options have been identified that were discussed at the September UK Link Committee meeting which have been outlined below along with revised file formats and hierarchies*

Please note that the hierarchies do not yet include a maximum for each record type, this will be determined during analysis.

Option 1 [Indicative cost £13k]
Details the CRE file changes proposed by the shipper:

1.   J80 Record – GRE, NTS and LDZ charges split so there is a separate record for each.
2.   J80 Record – Additional fields added to the record to display the LDZ, LMN AQ and Invoice Number.
3.   J81 Record – GRE, NTS and LDZ charges split so there is a separate record for each.
4.   J81 Record – Additional field added to the record to display Invoice Number.

 <<CRE Hierarchy - Option 1.pdf>> <<CRE File Format - Option 1.pdf>>

If this option is pursued the splitting of the J80 GRE, NTS and LDZ charges onto separate records will treble the size of the CRE file.

This option is similar to the change applied to the CEP file in 2007.

Option 2 [Indicative cost £12.5k]

During xoserve analysis of the shipper requirements a further change was suggested by the xoserve operational team:

1.   J80 Record – Additional fields added to the record to display the LDZ, LMN AQ and three Invoice Number fields (one for each of the charges – GRE, NTS and LDZ).

2. J81 Record – Additional fields added to the record to display the Invoice Number for each Charge (GRE, NTS and LDZ).

 <<CRE Hierarchy - Option 2.pdf>> <<CRE File Format - Option 2.pdf>>

As discussed at the September UK Link Committee meeting, Transporters view of the change is that this is a Class 3 UK Link Modification as the invoice formats provide relevant information but acknowledge the change will assist to validate information.

Representations are invited from users on the options presented and also whether the change is supported in light of the proposed classification.

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