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NR/631/DA - Removal of Meter Asset at Dead Meter Points in UKLink

Dear Colleague

At present the UK-Link System does not allow Users to remove meter asset details from UK-link using RGMA flows when the meter point status has already been set to dead. This creates inconsistencies between Shipper systems and UK-Link. This issue has been raised in a number of operational forums, and xoserve have been requested to amend UK-Link systems as soon as possible.

In normal circumstances the meter should be removed before the status of the meter point is updated, however, should the status be set to dead before users remove the meter details the RGMA file will reject, this then creates additional manual processes for Users and xoserve to remove all asset details affected.

It is proposed to make changes to UK-Link Sites & Meters as soon as possible that will enable the removal of meter assets where the meter point status has already been set to dead.

It is acknowledged that this implementation would be outside of the UK-Link release schedule introduced under UNC modification 010 but it is hoped that by implementing this change as soon as possible it will reduce manual workarounds for both Users and xoserve. It is accepted that Users may consider this constitutes an operational change, and we would propose that if so requested this be included within the plan with a November 2006 release date, acknowledging that Users who are not able to undertake operational changes may continue with the existing manual processes until the November implementation date.

Specific comments are sought on whether the change constitutes a Class 1 change. If this approach is ratified implementation is targeted for September 2006 and will resolve Shipper concerns regarding the inconsistency of Supply Point data.

Regards

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