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New MNC MPRN creation process

...Consequential amendments to Standards of Service Query Management Operational Guidelines document

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Background

- MPRNs are created by Xoserve as a result of a request from Shippers, UIPs or Transporters using either the Found Meter (FOM) or Meter Number Creation (MNC) process.
 - FOMs are generally requested by UIPs and Transporters to assign an MPRN for 'new' connections
 - MNCs are generally requested by Shippers where a 'live supply' is found which does not have a live MPRN
- Transporters have identified that the MNC process is being used inadvertently by Shippers to create MPRNs for illegal connections
 - This gives the connection an element of legitimacy which it does not warrant
 - Serious safety defects which may exist and could have serious consequences may not be picked up
- As of 22/04/16 the process for Shippers to request the creation of MPRNs for a 'live supply' is changing to allow Transporters the opportunity to carry out checks necessary to ensure the connection is not 'illegal'

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Changes to SOS Query Management Operational Guidelines document

- From 22/04/16 all MPRN creation requests for a 'live supply' where there is no live MPRN are to be submitted by Shippers to Xoserve via email using a pre-supplied template
 - This change was agreed at UK Link Committee on 10th December
 - This change has also been communicated widely through
 - Distribution Workgroup / Shipperless and Unregistered Workgroup
 - UK Link Committee
 - · Change Managers Steering Group
 - · Briefing document circulated by ENA
- The MNC code within the Contact Management System (CMS) will be disabled at 5pm on 21/04/16
- Approval is sought from UNCC to complete this process change by amending the 'Standards of Service Query Management Operational Guidelines' document to align with the approved amended process.
 - The proposed changes within the document entail:
 - The process by which queries are submitted to Xoserve
 - MNC contacts moved into the Query Categories Excluded section the consequence of this change is that the MNC creation process will no longer be captured under the incentive payment scheme outlined within TPD S4.7

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