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| Title             | Neutrality Statements                                       |
| Date              | 04/10/2017  |
| Affect Parties*   | Shippers & Traders who receive Energy Balancing<br>Invoices |

Dear Colleague,

Xoserve currently issue to all customers in receipt of their monthly Energy Balancing Invoice, Neutrality Statements and supporting documentation with a covering letter (4 pages in total) at D+1 after the Energy Balancing Invoice is issued. This is issued via post. An example (Example 1) is attached for information.



Preparation and posting of these statements and letters is labour intensive and therefore we would like to move away from this process.

We propose that:

- 1. The statements are amended to include only the information that relates to ALL Users Neutrality charges.
- 2. Individual Neutrality charges will be removed from the statements as the relevant information can be found on the Energy Balancing Invoice. An example of a Neutrality Statement and associated documentation is attached providing the file format details of where to find the charges on the invoice (Example 2).
- 3. The amended statements will be published rather than posted at M+23 in line with the Energy Balancing Invoice issue date within the UK Link Secured Documentation SharePoint site. A new folder will be created to host these statements.



The Neutrality Statements and supporting documentation with a covering letter will be amended and then published once a month rather than posted. An example of a Neutrality Statement is attached (Example 3) showing the information that will no longer be included.

The statements are proposed to be at industry aggregate level and no individual Shipper information will be contained. There is no reference to this communication within the Code Communication Reference Document.



This proposal was taken to the Energy Balancing Credit Committee on 25<sup>th</sup> September. Members agreed that if there was no objection from the Industry they were happy for the community neutrality information to be published monthly in line with the Energy Balancing Invoice.

It is proposed to implement this change from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017. Representation comments are invited on this change by 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017. We would also welcome any feedback as to the value in the information provided within Example 3 to ensure that publication of this information is useful.

Our assessment is that this change affects Shippers & Traders who receive Energy Balancing Invoices. All Users are encouraged to validate this, and we would encourage Users to provide confirmation of our assessment. This assessment will be used, unless contradicted by User responses, to form the basis of a recommendation from the Change Committee.

If you have any questions related to this communication, please contact me via uklink@xoserve.com.

Kind regards,

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