

Discussion Request 1194		Adjus	st NI Reading	ıs	
Status	Approved	Priority	Medium	Status Date	27/06/2018

Date	Version	Reason for Change	Version Status
20/06/2018	1.0	Issued to Market	Final

Part 1 DETAIL OF DISCUSSION REQUEST / MARKET CHANGE REQUEST					
Requesting Organisation(s)	Power NI	Originating Jurisdiction	NI		
Request Originator Name William Steele					
Date Raised					

Classification of Request						
Jurisdictional Applicability	NI	Jurisdictional Implementation	NI Specific			
If jurisdictional implementation is for one jurisdiction only – is the other jurisdiction required to effect any changes?	N/A	Co-Ordinated Baseline Version No.	tbc			
Change Type		Non-Sch	ema Impacting			

Detail of Request Reason for Request

Background

Long term consumption adjustments have been an outstanding market issue for a considerable time period. Metering related issues in particular cases related to equipment, wiring or installation errors create extremely difficult and emotive customer interactions.

The current market rules allow NIE Networks to recover up to 6 years of back billing DUoS revenue following the discovery of a metering issue. This places suppliers in the untenable position of seeking to recover historic costs from a customer who in good faith had being paying bills, was not at fault and was unaware that the recorded consumption was incorrect. The supplier's position is often compounded by subsequent customer switching or the real prospect that the customer is simply not in a position to make the payment.

It is noteworthy that the DUoS back billing arrangements are inconsistent with the wholesale arrangements (which cut-offs at 13 months unless they are above a materiality threshold which an individual customer is not going to trigger; and a query has been received within a defined timeframe).

Power NI considers cases which there have been material metering errors, beyond the control of either a Customer or a Supplier, should be subject to specific limitations in terms of DUoS recovery.

These cases would be limited to:

- Multiplier issues (i.e. cases which a multiplier has not been applied correctly)
- 5/6 dial set up errors (i.e. when the meter has not been correctly setup in NIE Networks systems)
- Meter mix ups (e.g. cases in which the meter has been incorrectly attributed to the wrong property)
- Incorrect wiring or wiring issues (e.g. CT wiring issues affecting the recording of units)
- Meter faults (e.g. stopped or faulty meters)

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Yes/No

Proposed Solution

When such cases (as listed above) are identified they invariably result in manual intervention by NIE Networks to remove, replace and estimate meter reads. The proposed solution would be to mandate that NIE Networks adjust readings in cases of under recovery back to a point 13 months prior to discovery only, to align with the wholesale settlement arrangements.

In cases of over recovery the adjustment would be made back to the determined point of error.

			Scope	of Change					
Jurisdiction	Design Documentation	Business Process	DSO Backend System Change	MP Backend System Change	Tibco	Supplier EMMA	Schema	Webforms	Extranet/NI Market Website
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Comments

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Yes/No

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ROI TBD



ROI - Market Process Diagrams – MPDs				
Market Process Diagram				
Number	Market Process Diagram Description	Affected		
None	None	None		

NI - Market Procedures					
Market Process Number	Market Procedure	Affected			
MG NI 34	MG NI 34 - DUoS, Transaction and PSO Billing	Yes			

ROI Guidance Documentation					
Document	Version	Affected			
No impact		No Impact			

ROI Briefing Documents					
Document/Paper	Version	Affected			
No impact		No Impact			
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User and Technical Documents					
Reference	Name	Version	Affected		
No impact			No Impact		

Part 2 - Performance and Data Changes				
Market Messages volume, processing etc.				
Data				
Details of Data changes e.g. cleansing				

Part 3 - ReMCoSG / CRU Approval				
Approved by	ReMCoSG	CER		
Comments				

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