



## **Retail Code Consolidation -**

SPAA Schedule 11 / 21 – elements highlighted at RDUG that are not specified in the REC

# Background

- Within SPAA specific Schedules detail:
  - Process for determining Meter Readings between the Suppliers (Schedule 11); and
  - Submission to the CDSP (Schedule 21)
- It was highlighted at RDUG that some aspects of the above Schedules were not being taken into the REC, the question was posed whether additional detail needed to be defined within the UNC
  - Conclusion – probably not.... But views requested

# Schedule 21

- Schedule 21 - The Procedure for Supplier Submission of an Early Reading (POS) or Old Supplier Estimated Reading (OSER) during Supply Point Registration

- References

- The requirement in UNC (sic) for the New Shipper to submit the Meter Reading (1.1.1)

1.1.1 During the Change of Supplier process, the New Supplier is required to provide a Meter Reading within a defined window via their Shipper to the CDSP in accordance with Network Code requirements. Where the CDSP accepts that read, this results in the CDSP sending both the Old and New Supplier notification of the read to use for Change of Supplier billing. If the New Supplier is unable to obtain and provide an actual Meter Reading or the CDSP rejects the Meter Reading provided, then the CDSP may issue an estimated CoS Meter Reading.

- The source of the Meter Reading may be (in the event of being unable to obtain an Actual Meter Reading) Early Reading (2.1) or an Old Supplier Estimated Meter Reading (2.2)

**2. GUIDANCE FOR SUBMISSION OF READS TO THE CDSP AT CHANGE OF SUPPLIER**

Suppliers should submit a Meter Reading based upon the following rules of precedence:

- 2.1 A Customer Read obtained prior to SSD (when this reading is outside the  $\pm 5$  days Meter Reading Window). This reading should be identified as an "Early Reading (POS)" and captured as a "Customer Read".
- 2.2 An Old Supplier Estimated CoS Reading (as provided in the "Notification of Old Supplier Information" Flow). This reading should be identified as an "Opening Meter Reading" and captured as an "Estimate".

# Provision of Meter Readings

- Meter Readings are provided to CDSP via a number of files – depending on Class or Meter Point: Example [U01](#):
  - Point of Sale Reading
    - may be provided to the CDSP by the New Shipper after D, but the Read Date must be <D-5 (change at CSS Implementation to <D) – i.e. outside OPNT Read Window
  - Shipper Provided Estimate
    - may only be provided as explicit Meter\_Reading\_Source with Opening Reading Meter\_Reading\_Reason by the New Shipper.
    - could be the source of an Agreed Reading (only valid Meter\_Reading\_Source with Replacement Meter\_Reading\_Reason)

	M	T	1	0	FORMAL: Y T T T M W L U
METER_READING_SOURCE					The source from which the read was taken. VALUES: M - Meter Read Organisation E - Supplied by the End User A - Agreed Opening Read R - Remote Reading Equipment Read Q - Shipper Provided Estimated Read G - Gas Card Read P - Point of Sale Read
METER_READING_REASON					The reason why the read was taken. VALUES: O - Opening Read R - Replacement Read N - Non-Opening Read VALIDATION: Meter Reading Reason of R with Meter Reading Source of M or E will be treated as a Shipper Replacement Read for Unbundled Cyclic Reads. Meter Reading Source of A with Reason R will be treated as a Replacement Opening Read. Must be O or R if the METER_READING_SOURCE is A. Meter Reading Reason of O may not be provided with Meter Reading Sources of P. Meter Reading Reason of N may not be provided with Meter Reading Source of A, G or Q. Meter Reading Sources not acceptable as Non-Opening Reads will not be acceptable for Replacement of Non-Opening Reads.

# Conclusion

- **Read Source: - No change needed**
  - Schedule 21 currently specifies the means for provision of Meter Readings to the CDSP
  - Relevant Read Sources (POS and Shipper Estimate) are valid sources within UK Link Communications – **no specific change to UNC recommended**
- **Submission:- Aligned**
  - SPAA states that only the New Supplier can submit the Meter Reading (via their Shipper) for a Change of Supplier Meter Reading
  - UNC states that the New Shipper is responsible for providing the transfer Meter Reading