

# FIVE MINUTE SETTLEMENT – METERING PROCEDURE CHANGES (PACKAGE 2)

## PROCEDURE CONSULTATION

## FIRST STAGE PARTICIPANT RESPONSE TEMPLATE

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## 1. Context

This template is being provided to assist stakeholders in giving feedback about the changes detailed in the initial draft procedures associated with the 'Five-Minute Settlement Metering Procedure Changes – Package 2' consultation.

The changes being proposed focuses on supporting the implementation of:

- The Five-Minute Settlement (5MS) Rule
- The Global Settlement (GS) Rule
- Changes to the delivery, format and content contained in the meter data files sent to AEMO.

## 2. Metrology Procedure: Part A

Section	Description	Participant Comments
12.3, 12.4, 12.7	Provisions for non-contestable unmetered loads	<p>Clause 12.3 (b) <u>requires</u> the non-contestable unmetered loads (NC-UMS) to have "<u>Load Tables</u>,"<u>Inventory Tables</u>" and "<u>On/Off Tables</u>" that are stored within the metering data services database.</p> <p>It effectively prescribes the movement of all existing and future NC-UMS into the existing type 7 processing engine, it doesn't support the continued use of a single NMI/device model that currently holds the majority of these loads.</p> <p>It is difficult to see how an efficient and reliable new connections process can work that adds the device details itself onto the DNSPs GIS on a</p>

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		<p>daily or weekly basis, without generating specialist manual labour costs for the DNSP, other than requiring the REC seeking to make a UMS connection to identify the UMS customer by a “UMS Customer Code” and then the device by “UMS Device Code”, and providing the spacial location geometry, to allow automatic addition of that data to the correct Inventory table, but also to the GIS connection point.</p> <p>CitiPower Powercor recommends that clause 12.3 (b) should allow for both single NMI per device approaches as well as single NMI to many device approaches</p> <p>Also a new clause, 12.3 (c) should require the customer requesting connection of a type 7 or non-contestable unmetered load to be required to provide additional information including the customers “UMS Customer Code” (evidencing pre-approval to connect a UMS) and the “UMS Device Code” which should evidence and identify the previously approved “Agreed Load” and “Profile Table” associated with the proposed customer device. (See discussion in section 14)</p> <p>Clauses 12.7 (a) (ii) &amp; (iii) &amp; (c) require the MC (or AEMO) to test that the calculated metering data for NC-UMS loads reflects the physical inventory, and to conduct the test within 15 business days and that the Physical Inventory is the prima facie evidence of the actual number.</p> <p>This closely replicates the current treatment of type 7 loads, and pre-disposes that the existing type 7 structure of Inventory table is present, this doesn’t easily cater for a single NMI/device method where the device</p>

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		count is implicitly "1" and hence not maintained in an "inventory table" structure?
12.4	Removal of 'First Tier' references	
	General	CitiPower Powercor recommends a flat line profile for non-contestable unmetered supplies due to their diverse nature and volume. Given they have been at an agreed load/day in the market to date, managing on/off times to profile all of these sites would result in hundreds if not thousands of profiles across the market and be impractical to manage. The introduction of UFE should confirm if these sites are identified as an issue in the future.

### 3. Metrology Procedure: Part B

Section	Description	Participant Comments
2.2, 2.5, 3.2, 3.3.6, 3.3.8, 4.2, 4.3.3, 4.3.5, 4.3.6, 5.2.1, 5.2.6, 5.3.4, 5.3.6, 6.1, 6.2.4,	Provisions for embedded network local retailers (ENLR)	CitiPower Powercor as an LNSP does not have any ongoing involvement within embedded network. However, currently, as an MC/MP/MDP it still has a number of its meters left inside some newly converted brownfield sites, or pre-December 2017 sites where the Victorian Government extended MC roles under its Order in Council, this is a transitional situation.

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14.2.2, 14.3		
6.1, 11.4, 12.3, 13.1.2, 13.1.3, 13.1.4, 13.2.1, 13.3.1	Provisions for non-contestable unmetered loads	<p>Clause 6.1(c) requires the existence of an “Inventory Table” for NC-UMS connections (i.e. a type 7 style of UMS processing) and subsequently doesn’t support or consider a NMI/device and ADL based process.</p> <p>CitiPower Powercor recommends 6.1 (c) should allow for both a single NMI per device approach as well as a single NMI to many device approach.</p> <p>CitiPower Powercor believes 13.1.2 would be enhanced by AEMO/AER publishing a NC- UMS Guideline that requires customers seeking to operate a device unmetered to register as a UMS-Customer and receive a “UMS Customer Code” and for the Customer to provide suitable inventory, load consumption and usage profile data in relation to approved devices to the DNSP to meet the requirements of 13.1.2(b). Those approved devices would then be given a “UMS Device Code” that would standardise the agreed load and load profile for that device.</p> <p>13.1.4 (b) - Noting this capability <u>“may”</u> exist for an inventory table based model, it doesn’t specifically preclude a single NMI/device model – or require a table model to mix different types of loads, CitiPower Powercor Supports the Change.</p>

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		<p>13..2.1 – this algorithm for calculating meter data relies on the type 7 inventory/load/on-off table processing model and doesn't account for a load profile table that includes partial or dimmed capacity other than off and on, and needs to allow for the 1 NMI / 1 Device ADL approach.</p> <p>13.2.2 specifically requires a "separate Inventory table" for each NMI and hence doesn't allow for the 1 NMI/1 device ADL approach.</p> <p>13.2.3 On / Off Table, clauses (a) (b) and (c) do not allow for the future development of an "estimated" on-off table (load profile) for seasonal devices such as BBQs or watering sprinkler / irrigation systems that may be estimated to exist under user defined control rather than physically exist and be evidenced.</p> <p>13.3 does not exclude NC-UMS and hence would then appear to make AEMO responsible for determining the annual energy consumption in accordance with 13.1.5, which would seem then to make 13.1.2 and its obligations on the DNSP in relation to NC-UMS redundant?</p> <p>13.3.1 requires the Energy Calculation of NC-UMS to be calculated in accordance with an Algorithm based on the existence of the Load Table and Inventory Table and On/Off table – this again predisposes the use of a type 7 UMS process, and doesn't allow for the 1 NMI/1 device ADL approach.</p> <p>13.2.2 does not exclude NC-UMS and hence would require the of the</p>

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		Load Table and Inventory Table and On/Off table – this again predisposes the use of a type 7 UMS process, and doesn't allow for the 1 NMI/1 device ADL approach.
11.1.2, 11.1.3, 11.2.2, 11.2.3, 11.3.1, 11.3.2, 11.3.3, 11.4, 11.5, 12.3, 12.4	Removal of 'First Tier' and 'Second Tier' references	
11.2.1	Removal of 'Local Retailer (LR)' references	
11.3.3, 11.4, 12.4, 13.2.5	Change in formulas	
11.4, 12.3	Provisions for 'bulk supply'	
12.4	Provisions for UFE (unaccounted for energy)	
10.2	Validations against a nominated maximum value.	10.2 (a) & (b) (ii) require a nominated maximum value initially set to the maximum rating of whole current meters to be used to validate the energy volume recorded in each 30 minute trading interval. This is effectively 12kWh for a single phase meter and 36kWh for a three phase meter, and results any load interval exceeding that

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		<p>quantity to fail validation and to result in a substitution, usually of past metering data of a lower value – this is effectively rewarding a customer who is using ‘more’ than they should, with a bill that charges for less than they actually used.</p> <p>In a 30 minute interval, a single customer “may” have used 150A through the meter for 15 minutes but only 50A for the remaining 15 minutes and would hence register 12kWh and pass validation, were the customer to use 150A throughout the 30 minute interval they would physically consume an actual use of 18kWh however this exceeds the 12kWh maximum and will likely be substituted with historical data of 12kWh or less. This is a perverse signal to send to the customer who is consuming more not less than should be permitted, and it also does nothing to respond to the actual overloading of the meter, and wiring on the site.</p> <p>This will only get worse under 5 minute interval whereby the example above of 150A for 15 minutes and 50A for a further 15 minutes will not be hidden but will instead result in 3 consecutive 5 minute intervals exceeding the maximum rating value of 2kWh ,and again be substituted for a lower historical value.</p> <p>While meters are only certified to 100A for metrology purposes, recent changes to the safety requirements in Australian Metering Standards have required meters to withstand 128A for 2 hours, and hence the maximum load should be set at least at 128/130A (i.e. 18kWh for a 30 minute interval, or 3kWh for a 5 minute interval for a single phase meter and 46kWh for a 30 minute interval and 8 kWh for a 5 minute interval for a three phase meter.</p>

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		There is also a safety issue to the meter and the connection point, and instead of substituting the data, any load recording 130% or more of the meter rating should immediately be referred to the MC for investigation.

#### 4. Meter Data File Format (MDFF) Specification NEM12 & NEM13

Section	Description	Participant Comments
1.1	Include AEMO as a relevant party	

#### 5. MSATS Procedures: MDM Procedures

Section	Description	Participant Comments
1.3	Inclusion of the MDM File Format and Load Process document	
3.2.11, 3.2.14, 3.2.15,	Removal of 'First Tier' and 'Second Tier' references	

3.2.16, 9.3		
3.2.14, 3.2.16, 9.5, 9.6, 9.7	Inclusion of five-minute provisions	
3.2.15, 3.2.16	Provisions for 'bulk supply'	
3.2.15, 3.2.16, 9.2, 9.3, 9.4, 9.5, 9.6, 9.8, 9.9, 9.10	Provisions for embedded network local retailers (ENLR)	
3.2.16,	Removal of 'Local Retailer (LR)' references	
6.3, 6.4	Removal of aseXML csv payload tag reference	
9.5	Removal of MDM RM14 MDP Data Version Comparison report	
9.6	Removal of MDM RM15 Multiple Versions report	
9.9	Removal of MDM RM18 Electricity Interval Data report	
Appendix A	Provisions for FTP and API delivery method	

## 6. MSATS Procedures: MDM File Format and Load Process

Section	Description	Participant Comments
1.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.7, 3.9, 3.10, 5.2, 5.2.5, 6	Provisions for MDFF (Meter Data File Format)	
1.3	Inclusion of additional 'Related Documents'	
3.6	Changes to table content	
3.7, 3.8, 3.9, 3.12, 4.4.1	Removal of sections, including references to netting and aggregating to 30-minute	
3.8, 5.1	Changes to MDMF content	
3.11	Inclusion of file size references	
4	Inclusion of Meter data messaging exchange content	
3.1, 3.3, 3.10, 3.12, 4.2	Provisions for FTP and API delivery method	

## 7. MSATS Procedures: CATS Procedure Principles and Obligations

Section	Description	Participant Comments
Quick Reference Guide, 3.4, 3.7, 3.7.2, 4.2	Removal of Change Reason Code 1050, 1051, 1090, 1091, 2003, 3003, 3053, 4003, 4053, 5053, 5090, 5091, 6400, 6401	
Quick Reference Guide, 2.2, 2.6, 3.6, 4.2, 4.3, 4.15, 9.5, 12.8, 15.7, 16.7, 17.7, 18.8, 19.8, 20.7, 21.7, 22.7, 23.7, 25.9, 25.10, 27.7, 28.7, 30.7, 31.8, 32.7, 33, 34.7, 35.8, 36.9, 37.1, 37.5, 39.7	Provisions for embedded network local retailers (ENLR)	

2.9, 3.2, 4.11.2	Removal of 'First Tier' and 'Second Tier' references	
3.2, 3.4, 4.15, 7.5, 11.4, 11.7, 11.8, 13.4, 13.6, 13.7, 25.9, 26.7, 29.7, 33	Removal of Local Retailer (LR) references	
3.7.1, 3.7.2	Changes in table references	
4.9	Addition to and modification of NMI Classification Codes	<p>These changes introduce NCONUML for "Non-Contestable Unmetered Supplies" and also "DGENERATR", "SGA" and "DHYBRID" for other specific customer metered connections.</p> <p>This utilises the classification code previously used for Small and Large, and while these preclude those being used, the market is still required to identify and manage connections differently based on that small/large criteria.</p> <p>There is a benefit in incorporating an S / L into the mnemonic, i.e. there is a benefit in considering the following:</p> <p>DHYBRDL DHYBRDS</p> <p>SGA- L SGA-S</p>

		<p>NCONUMS (should always be considered Small)</p> <p>DGENERATRL (should always be considered Large)</p> <p>AEMO has previously advised that Small Generator Aggregators will need to have the solar systems gross metered (i.e. separate to the consumption load) and on its own NMI. CitiPower Powercor seeks clarification wh this is not mentioned anywhere in the Metrology or NMI procedures?</p>
4.12	Addition of 'Non-contestable Unmetered Load' Metering Installation Type Code	<p>The NCONUML (or preferably NCONUMS - see 4.9 above) allows for separation of the contestable (type 7) metering installations and non-contestable 'Metering Installation' types, although it would have been simpler and more easily understood if these were divided into type 8 for purely 'agreed' UMS and type 9 for based on sample meters or network devices.</p> <p>Similarly, some ability to determine 1 NMI to many devices method (i.e. the type 7 UMS inventory table method) versus the 1 NMI/device ADL method.</p>
4.11.2, 4.17	Provisions for UFE (unaccounted for energy)	
Various	Updated table and section references throughout the document	

## 8. MSATS Procedures: Procedure for the Management of Wholesale, Interconnector, Generator and Sample (WIGS) NMIs

Section	Description	Participant Comments
Quick Reference Guide, 23	Removal of Chane Reason Code 1050, 1051, 6400 and 6401	
9.7, 10.7, 11.7, 12.7, 13.7, 14.7, 15.7, 18.7, 20.7, 21.9, 22.7, 23, 25.8, 26.7, 27.1, 28.1, 28.5	Provisions for embedded network local retailers (ENLR)	
5.7, 5.8, 7.6, 7.7, 16.9, 16.10, 17.7, 19.7, 24.7	Removal of Local Retailer (LR) references	
Various	Updated table and section references throughout the document	

## 9. National Metering Identifier

Section	Description	Participant Comments
2.2	Updates to LR population e.g. 'GLOPOOL'	
2.2	Provisions for embedded network local retailers (ENLR)	
2.4, 7	Provisions for non-contestable unmetered loads	In regards to clause 2.4 (b) it is noted this capability to have different loads under the same NMI <u>"may"</u> exist for an inventory table based model, it doesn't specifically preclude a single NMI/device model or require a table model to mix different types of loads, CitiPower Powercor supports the change.
7, 9.3	Removal of net data and net datastream references	
3, 7.2	Provisions for 'bulk supply'	
7, 9.3	Removal of meter data to AEMO requirements	

## 10. NEM RoLR Processes – Part A

Section	Description	Participant Comments
2, 4.3.2, 6.1, 11.3, 12.3	Removal of Local Retailer (LR) references	
2, 3, 6.1, 7.1, 11.2, 12, 13, 15.1, 18.2, Appendix 1	Provisions for embedded network local retailers (ENLR)	
6.1, 12	Removal of Second Tier references	
Appendix 1	Inclusion of Average Daily Loads (ADLs) in the ROLR_013 report	

## 11. Service Level Procedure: Metering Data Provider Services

Section	Description	Participant Comments
1.3	Inclusion of additional related document	
2.4.1	Inclusion of 5 February 2022 reference	
2.4.1 (a) xii	Inclusion of 5 February 2022 reference	CitiPower Powercor recommends that this clause be updated by removing the word 'only' to clearly articulate point D, to make a datastream inactive where the service fuse is removed

		<p>(physical/local disconnection).</p> <p>This will allow for accurate identification of illegal use, clearly identify connection points to be included in market settlements and reduce UFE where substitute or erroneous data is being sent to the market for inactive sites.</p>
3.7.1	References to MDM format and MDMT transaction groups	
3.10, 3.11, 3.12.2	Provisions for non-contestable unmetered loads	<p>Clause 3.10 requires the existence of an “Inventory Table” for NC-UMS connections (i.e. a type 7 style of UMS processing) and as a result doesn’t support or consider a NMI/Device and ADL based process.</p> <p>CitiPower Powercor recommends Clause 3.10 should allow for both single NMI per device as well as single NMI to many devices approaches.</p>
3.12.4	Provisions for MDPs to deliver AEMO all Datastreams related to settlements ready data and any other metering data configured in the metering installation to support UFE calculations	
3.12.4	Changes to metering data quantity and quality requirements	<p>CitiPower Powercor strongly disagrees with the proposed changes to the delivery obligations for Vic AMI meters .</p> <p>The proposed measurements don’t allow for issues relating to the delivery of meter data or allow for any exception management. There is an ongoing potential of meter/network communication issues, IT system issues or customer access issues that will impact</p>

		<p>participants' ability to meet the 100% target. Any of these issues may require a nominal level of Substituted data in the market that shouldn't be marked as quality flag of 'F'.</p> <p>Additionally, with the increase of remotely read metering requirements for both quantity and quality this doesn't consider the meter memory and possibility to obtain/recover data from meters in excess of 200 Days.</p> <p>This is also the case for manually read meters with the introduction of 99% quantity for Prelim and Final and 100% for R1 &amp; R2 and quality at 100% for R2 does not consider current meter memory capacities of 200+ day's vs 6 months.</p> <p>To enable ongoing exception management CitiPower Powercor recommendation is to retain current obligations.</p>
3.12.5, 3.14.1, 3.14.2	Changes to method of delivery of data	
5.1	Changes to meter churn scenio content, including the provision for having to send associated MDFFs to AEMO as well as to participants	

## 12. Exemption Procedure: Metering Installation Data Storage Requirements

Section	Description	Participant Comments
New Procedure	Clause 2.1 (c)	The Victorian NEVA Order in Council modifies the NER in relation to AEMO's obligation to create and extend an Exemption procedure to Victorian AMI Meters, this should hence be recognised as a jurisdictional requirement.

### 13. Retail Electricity Market Glossary and Framework

Section	Description	Participant Comments
1.3	Inclusion of an addition related document	
2.2, 2.7.7	References to the Exemption Procedure: Metering Installation Data Storage Requirements	
2.6.2	Inclusion of bulk supply and/or cross boundary references	
5	Changes to terms including the addition of ENLR and UFE and modifications to first tier, second tier and FRMP related terms	

### 14. Other Issues Related to Consultation Subject Matter

Heading	Participant Comments
Implementing and transitioning to the changes in delivery of metering data to AEMO	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do the proposed changes in the applicable initial draft change-marked procedures implement the required changes in section 2.2.5 in an effective manner?</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will the proposed transitional arrangements assist MDPs and other market participants in transitioning to the new procedural requirements?</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Is including transitional arrangements in the relevant procedures the most effective way of implementing transitional arrangements? If not, what would be the preferred alternative approach?</li> </ul>	
Non-contestable Unmetered Loads	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How should non-market/contestable</li> </ul>	<p>Clause 12.3 (b) <u>requires</u> the non-contestable unmetered loads (NC-UMS) to have "<u>Load Tables</u>", "<u>Inventory Tables</u>" and "<u>On/Off Tables</u>" that are stored within the metering data</p>

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<p>unmetered loads be processed and maintained in MSATS?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Should non-contestable unmetered loads with photoelectric (PE) cells be treated in a similar manner to Type 7 unmetered loads and why?</li> <li>○ Should non-contestable unmetered loads which do not have photoelectric (PE) cells be treated differently to those that do? If yes, how should these loads be treated?</li> </ul>	<p>services database.</p> <p>It effectively prescribes the movement of all existing and future NC-UMS into the existing type 7 processing engine (1 NMI to many devices), it doesn't support the continued use of a single NMI/device model that currently holds the majority of these loads.</p> <p>While this allows for the NC-UMS to adopt the type 7 style UMS calculator that most Distributors already have for public lighting, those systems usually allow for many devices to be recorded against a single NMI, and hold the connection point record within the DNSP's GIS system, and also holds details of the device type in GIS. The device type (250W MV etc.) allows for a reliable allocation of value into the "Load Table", allows for automatic "count" of like "Devices" into the "Inventory table" that maintenance of the GIS records is an implicit task of the DNSP in managing its records of assets that it owns and maintains.</p> <p>The same template then is very suitable to inclusion of "Watchman Lights" as these are very similar to public lights, and hence predicable, controlled by PE Cell, and owned and maintained by the DNSP.</p> <p>The problem arises with UMS assets owned by other parties.</p> <p>Historically, many of these existing NC-UMS records consist of an off-market NMI with 1 or more "same" devices recorded against it, and a cumulative load or calculation to create a monthly "Agreed Load" for billing purposes. It's effectively a Type 6 model but without a meter asset installed and an estimate based on "Agreed Load" (ADL) occurs.</p> <p>However, that individual NMI model has its own limitations and can generate significant manual workloads to audit and maintain its accuracy.</p>

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	<p>Where the “same” device for the same customer is across multiple NMIs there is no process to allow alignment or update of consistent device descriptions or loadings when those assets are upgraded or replaced. Once a device has been given a supply connection, there is no incentive on the customer to provide update asset details to the DNSP, or give any notification of any works on site particularly where that results in increased load, yet the activity is effectively an Addition/Alteration, and replacement/change of the “Agreed Load” is effectively requiring notification similar to a NOMW in terms of the impact on billing accuracy.</p> <p>In an “ideal” world, the other party would have its own engineering/planning processes that records its assets in a GIS database of some sort, and could provide the DNSP with a download of such data for all of their existing “Devices” inclusive of details of their name plate ratings and their spacial locations.</p> <p>Device Number (unique key)  Purpose /Description  Owner/Customer (UMS Customer Code?)  Make / Supplier  Device Type/Model  “UMS Device Code”  Locality (council area, post code, TNI)  Location geometry (Lat/Long etc.)</p> <p>In the above example, the “UMS Device Code” could be a key or proxy for the “Agreed Load” value and its associated “on-off table”, allow the allocation into an inventory count and allocation into NMI’s per Owner/Customer and TNI.</p> <p>In the future, the “On-Off table” might become a seasonal/daily load profile including fractional loading i.e. a multiplier between 0 (off) and 1 (on fully) and 0.1 steps in between</p>

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	<p>(to allow for dimming or other “agreed” load variation.</p> <p>However, the problems come about in migrating to such a model, i.e. it requires the identification of each existing unique device/connection into a “UMS Device Code”.</p> <p>This is significant work if done by the DNSP as they have no expertise in recognising the customer’s unique device types and in any case the customer / asset owner is best placed to do this work and should be the party to bear the cost.</p> <p>For CitiPower Powercor, the majority of NC-UMS connections are provided to large corporations or statutory bodies, rather than small residential / commercial customers (who are primarily only involved with Watchman lights)</p> <p>While a project to transition from the single NMI/Connection/Device model to an “inventory table” built up from devices recorded in a layer of the DNSP’s GIS could be undertaken with the co-operation of the customer and their provision of GIS ready data, it may not be provided and updated in a timely manner and in any case not revisited other than on a quarterly or annual basis, and hence not cover field works by the customer that upgrades / replaces their assets without notification to the DNSP other than through this GIS update, which may within their own business lag the physical works by many months etc.</p> <p>Those lags will affect UFE.</p> <p>Even worse is how such a system adds a new connection to the pre-existing NMI and Inventory Table?            Currently, NC-UMS connections are created at time of connection, the single NMI per connection model allocates a physical special record in GIS for all NMIs regardless of the metering arrangements and so the only issue is identifying the device in terms allocation</p>

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	<p>of the correct “Agreed Load” and “On-Off table”.</p> <p>It is difficult to see how an efficient and reliable new connections process can work that adds the device details itself onto the DNSPs GIS on a daily or weekly basis, without generating specialist manual labour costs into the DNSP, other than requiring the REC seeking to make a UMS connection to identify the UMS customer by a “UMS Customer Code” and then the Device by “UMS Device Code”, and providing the Spatial location geometry.</p> <p>CitiPower Powercor 12.3 (b) should allow for both single NMI per device as well as single NMI to many device approaches.</p> <p>Also a 12.3 (c) should require the customer requesting connection of a type 7 or non-contestable unmetered load to provide additional information including the customer’s “UMS Customer Code” (evidencing pre-approval to connect a UMS) and the “UMS Device Code” which should evidence and identify the previously approved “Agreed Load” and “Profile Table” associated with the proposed customer device.</p> <p>Ideally, these matters should as be standardised through the creation of an AEMO (or AER?) Non-Contestable UMS Guideline which can then be incorporated in each DNSPs connection requirements and “LR” retailers retail contract requirements.</p> <p>The saving on the costs of the metering installation for the customer should not translate to higher manual recording and auditing costs within the DNSP and LR.</p> <p>There is a need to establish a UMS Focus Group to urgently resolve these issues if all existing and ongoing new connections of NC-UMS devices are to orderly and reliably migrate to MSATS on 1 July 2021.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What should be considered in creating and assigning non-contestable unmetered NMIs in MSATS e.g. introducing a new Metering Installation Type Code (NCONUML) and why?</li> </ul>	<p>CitiPower Powercor has ~18k UMS connections recorded against ~12k 'off-market' NMIs, with some NMIs holding in the order of 1,500 devices.</p> <p>CitiPower Powercor has over 4k Watchman lights (by NMI not lamps) consisting of 45 differing "Device" types. Watchman lights are owned and maintained by the DNSP and so replacements or removals are maintained in the DNSP GIS as part of the DNSPs Asset Management processes and as they are quite predictable they are controlled by a PE cell.</p> <p>Hence, the "type 7" UMS processing engine of "Inventory Table", "Load Table" and "On-Off" table is very suitable and relatively easy to transition to for Watchman Lights. Additionally, this is a closed off product, CitiPower Powercor does not offer new connections of Watchman Lights.</p> <p>That is not the same situation for the over ~8k 'Other' NC-UMS loads (by NMI not device).</p> <p>These do not belong to the DNSP, we have no control over the operation, replacement or upgrade of these devices. Nor an up to date "inventory" of these devices by device design, make or model or usage in actual loading or profile of usage, and hence it is very difficult for the DNSP to maintain an accurate "Inventory Table" by Device Type, and hence the maintenance of an accurate "Agreed Load" to put into a "Load Table" or a reliable load profile (on/off/dimmed) to replicate in an "On/Off" table.</p> <p>The problem with a many device to 1 NMI model that results from the Type 7 UMS design of Inventory Table etc., is that these loads are customer loads (not DNSP</p>

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	<p>managed loads like public lighting and watchman lighting) and hence it is difficult at an aggregated NMI level to issue planned outage notifications or to account for individual loads to be connected or disconnected without direct manual adjustment of the inventory table.</p> <p>Our records and knowledge of those devices already deployed is very poor and there is little incentive or obligation for these customers to provide such data, while obligations can be placed on the DNSP via the Rules and Procedures, this simply results in the DNSP costs of undertaking investigations of these customers devices to be smeared to all other customers, while the customer benefits from the avoided cost of metering. There is no existing obligation on these customers to provide the required inventory, device and spatial location information at all, let alone in a timely and compatible format.</p> <p>Connecting and using electricity without a meter is a privilege not a right, it's not clear that selling electricity in kWh but without measurement through a NMI pattern approved meter is actually consistent with the requirements of the National Measurements Act, yet it continues to exist for the existing NC-UMS loads and is intended to continue permitting 'New Connections'.</p> <p>Hence a UMS Guideline should be issued at either the AEMO or AER level that places some obligations on a UMS customer (not unlike the EENSP guidelines).</p> <p>A NC-UMS customer should be identified by a "UMS Customer Code" that allows the same customer to be identified NEM wide.</p> <p>Approval of NC-UMS loads should result in a "UMS Device Code" that results in an evidenced/negotiated "Agreed Load" value that could then be used as the basis of a "Load Table", the obligation to provide tests and results for a "UMS Device" to receive a "UMS Device Code" should sit with the "UMS Customer".</p>

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	<p>The NC-UMS customer should be obliged to provide the DNSP with updated GIS inventory data on a periodic basis no less frequent than 12 monthly and to highlight all changes of devices.</p> <p>A new connection post March 2022 should not permit connection of any device not already registered on an approved list of UMS Devices for that 'UMS customer'.</p> <p>That approved list would link via the UMS Device Code to the agreed load value and any agreed day/or seasonal load profile (on/off table).</p> <p>The AEMO/AER UMS Guideline should have an upper current Capacity limit set beyond which a NEM Market Meter must be installed.</p> <p>Currently CitiPower Powercor applies a DNSP Network connection limit of 2A (@480VA) via mandatory installation of a 2A Supply Capacity Control Device (Circuit Breaker).</p> <p>CitiPower Powercor has recently permitted an increased connection limit of 6A (@1440VA) where the customer provides access to monitored measurement data that can be used to better create and allocate "agreed load" values and even group loads into "Low", Medium" and "High" groupings. That measurement data is not proposed at this time to be delivered directly into the Market.</p> <p>CitiPower Powercor considers that loads exceeding 6A should all be metered given the electricity meter is the default and best method for determining meter data for settlements, network billing and retailer billing.</p> <p>It would be possible to install a "measuring device" (UMS-Network Device) on sample sites of all existing NC-UMS connections other than Watchman Lights and to use those</p>

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	<p>sampled sites to form the evidence of the “Agreed Load” and “Load Profile” of each specific group of UMS-Device.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What would be the most accurate methodology for calculating and applying a load profile to non-contestable unmetered loads and why?</li> </ul>	<p>Deployment of a sample set of measuring devices that are connected permanently in place (a UMS-Network Device) across each existing class of NC-UMS other than Watchman Lights (which are quite predictable) would provide tangible evidence of both the load and its load profile over time.</p> <p>Given the relative low cost of such devices (at least in relation to those currently used by CitiPower Powercor, these could be included as part of the connection costs for a UMS Customer and implemented onto every new NC-UMS or at least those seeking a 6A connection. Subsequently creating a new category of “measured” unmetered supply, which although not using a NMI Pattern Approved Meter, would be far better than an arbitrary “Agreed Load” that may over time not reflect the actual consumption of devices that can be altered in terms of cards and prescriber connections as can happen in telecommunication devices.</p> <p>This might require the creation of a type 8 classification of NC-UMS where the load is entirely calculated using a load table and crafted on/off table (and limited to 2A for future connections), and a type 9 classification of NC-UMS where the load and profile would be supported by sample meters or network devices and limited to 6A for future connections.</p> <p>NMI and AEMC might even consider relaxing the pattern approval obligations for this type measuring device for loads consuming below 6A to remove local display, optical port, re-en/de-en and Load Control capabilities. Also accepting a lower metrology performance than that required for a meter but then let such readings directly produce the NEM12 data into the market, as this is far better than the current typical method of basing consumption on a snapshot of current through a clip on Ammeter of poor accuracy.</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will AEMO's proposed arrangements likely result in more accurate market settlements and why?</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What other data quality mechanisms should AEMO consider to supporting improved accuracy in market settlements?</li> </ul>	
Exemption Procedure: Metering Provider Data Storage Requirements	The Victorian NEVA Order in Council modifies the NER in relation to AEMO's obligation to create and extend an Exemption procedure to Victorian AMI Meters, this should hence be recognised as a jurisdictional requirement.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Do you believe that AEMO's proposed exemption procedure clearly articulates the conditions and process for applying for a data storage exemption and why?</li> </ul>	CitiPower Powercor believes it does subject to accommodation of the requirements of the Victorian NEVA OiC in relation to the Victorian Jurisdiction being recognised as a Jurisdictional requirement.