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# Amendment Invoice Taskforce Update

30<sup>th</sup> August 2019

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# **Progress since Last Update**

- Regular update meetings are still progressing with our 3<sup>rd</sup> party supplier to monitor all SLA's agreed in the variation contract and to mitigate any risks.
- We continue to monitor the invoice cycle to ensure stability and this month we saw an increase in the MPRN mismatch to **96** with a total of 13 shippers affected, 4 of those shippers having only one MPR affected. We are currently working through the RCA to understand this months increase.
- We are currently working on the ASP file for this month and will issue the majority of the correction files before the payment due date. There is still a lot of work to be done to improve and we are aware of the affect late files are having on our customers.
- A communication was sent out this week to inform customers of an issue found relating to the EUC codes on this months ASP file. The matrix to help with the mapping of the codes will be sent out to customers this afternoon and shared on the amendment invoice website.
- Defects are deployed every week, the defect resolution plan is shared and updated on Xoserve.com.

## **Summary Resolution Plan**



## **Supporting Information Mismatches (ASP)**



## SLA

- Mismatches are corrected 'in cycle' and associated defects are cleared in time for the second following cycle from detection.
- Correction of mismatches should be invisible to shippers. During transition to this any correction files issued are delivered within 3 business days of payment due date issue and meet communicated quality and format requirements on first delivery.
- There should be no unresolved causes to mismatches of more than 2 invoice cycles in age.



## **Supporting Information Mismatches**

Billing Month	Billed Contracts	LSP Invoiced	ASP Mismatches		AML Mismatches		
			Unique LSP MPRNs causing ASP mismatch	% of invoiced LSPs causing ASP mismatches	SSP Invoiced	Unique LSP MPRNs causing ASP mismatch	% of invoiced LSPs causing ASP mismatches
Sep-18	8,444,158	227,514	413	0.18%	8,216,644		
Oct-18	8,523,582	244,986	241	0.10%	8,278,596		
Nov-18	9,243,302	290,019	534	0.18%	8,953,283		
Dec-18	8,375,975	378,856	1295	0.34%	7,997,119		
Jan-19	9,541,221	258,859	557	0.22%	9,282,362		
Feb-19	9,015,766	173,688	509	0.29%	8,842,078		
Mar-19	9,399,210	174,114	109	0.06%	9,225,096	12,946	0.14%
Apr-19	8,896,444	184,562	264	0.14%	8,711,882	5,594	0.06%
May-19	9,648,261	168,267	118	0.07%	9,479,994	7,493	0.08%
Jun-19	9,653,613	178,064	65	0.04%	9,475,549	1,882,702	20% *
Jul-19	9,902,587	202,704	96	0.05%	9,699,883	250	0.26%

\* We had an issue where we saw a huge deviation from normal mismatch trend for SSP (AML) sites. In summary, this means that AML online file will be much lighter than normal and will push more load into the AML correction file . Customers will receive a greater number of AML correction files this month depending on number of mismatches in their portfolio.

Mismatches have increased slightly this month. Route Cause Analysis is currently underway to understand the increase.

Failure to issue all correction files to all customers ahead of Payment Due Date minus 3 business days is causing SLA failure.

Provision of a single ASP file, followed by a single AML file remains a delivery target for January 2020.

## SLA

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Target Date to operate within SLA

August 2010

Current SLA RAG Status (ASP only)							
Amber							
RAG Justification							
• 96 MPRNs out of the 202, 704 LSPs that were billed in July incurred an ASP mismatch,							
Amber until provision of correction files falls in-line with SLA.							

## **Exceptions**

### What is an exception?

 Business or Technical processing errors generated within our system, that cause reconciliations at individual sites, to be held back off the Amendment Invoice until resolved.



**166,903** distinct MPRNs currently have unresolved exceptions within our systems (269,920 in May'19)



**Customer MI** outlining all reconciliations and their status *(invoiced, in exception, in exclusion)* in development. Currently at risk of being available for next billing cycle.

## SLA

- Known exceptions are corrected 'in cycle'; new exceptions within the gift of Xoserve and its partners to correct are cleared in time for the second cycle from detection, as is any defect that caused the exception.
- Exception backlogs should be no more than 2 invoice cycles old.

### Target Date to operate within SLA

August 2019

### **Current SLA RAG Status**

#### Amber

### **RAG Justification**

- Exception backlog clearance continues to trend downwards.
- Despite reductions in backlog exceptions, the number of LSP and SSP reconciliations held off the AMS as a result of an exception remains high. Provision of the exception/exclusion MI from 28<sup>th</sup> Aug'19 will highlight all such exceptions.
- Amber status because of risks to being able to clear known exceptions within cycle starting from this months July billing cycle (as per SLA).

## **Exclusions**

### What is an exclusion?

Until permanent system fixes are deployed to address charge calculation errors, monthly profiling of new reconciliations received that
relate to the scenario of the open defect is performed, with "bill blocks" applied to that MPRN to <u>safeguard the accuracy of the</u>
<u>amendment charge calculations</u> by exclusion from the AMS.



**5,043** distinct MPRNs currently have bill blocks placed upon them (20,466 in May'19)



**Customer MI** outlining all reconciliations and their status *(invoiced, in exception, in exclusion)* in development. Currently at risk of being available for next billing cycle.

## SLA

- Known exclusions are executed 'in cycle'; new exclusions within the gift of Xoserve and its partners to correct are cleared in time for the second cycle from detection, as is the defect that caused the exclusion.
- Exclusion backlogs should be no more than 2 invoice cycles old.
- Correction of billed exclusions should be performed no later than **2 invoice cycles** after detection.

### Target Date to operate within SLA

July 2019

#### **Current SLA RAG Status**

Amber

### **RAG Justification**

- c.15,000 distinct sites released from bill blocks over the last three months.
- Cataloguing of the majority of exclusion scenarios complete and signed-off by Xoserve business teams.
- RAG status to remain at Amber until the provision of all exception and exclusion MI to enable tracking of exclusion resolutions in-line with target SLA.

**Defects** 



11 Defects currently open and awaiting fix deployment

## SLA

 Defects, including associated data fixes, within the gift of Xoserve and its partners to resolve should be cleared within 2 invoice cycles of being raised.

### Target Date to operate within SLA

August 2019

Green

#### **Current SLA RAG Status**

Defect ID Defect Status Defect Summarv Date Detected Target Fix Date SLA Resolution Date DM prime REC charges are not getting calculated & presented within ASP suppo 27/03/2019 TBC TBC 1331 **Clarification Required** DRS completed 1333 DM REC financial mismatches in Amendment supporting file 27/03/2019 31/08/2019 1395 Assigned Meter Reading is inactive in the production system 07/06/2019 31/08/2019 Fix deployed – Pending Data AML/ASP issue - SFN on D date and UMR read on (D-1) 18/06/2019 1405 16/08/2019 06/09/2019 1412 Fix deployed – Pending Data Class 3 Rec has populated incorrect volumes and energy 04/07/2019 23/08/2019 06/09/2019 Phased Assurance SAP - Read profile is incorrectly populated when there is a class change from 1 12/07/2019 20/09/2019 1414 04/10/2019 UAT Failed 20/09/2019 1415 SAP - Actual Reads uploaded through the manual Read entry screen has resulte 15/07/2019 04/10/2019 24/07/2019 1428 Ready for Internal Testing MR15 exception not genereting for negavite variance volume 27/09/2019 04/10/2019 1429 RGMA activity has performed both class 3 normal rec and Check to Check reco 24/07/2019 27/09/2019 04/10/2019 Ready for Internal Testing 1431 Clarification Required SAP - ASP Mismatch on Pre go-live variance 30/07/2019 04/10/2019 04/10/2019 1436 SAP-AML Incorrect Formula Period Year SMP AQ Ready for Internal Testing 05/08/2019 04/10/2019 04/10/2019

#### **RAG Justification**

Defect backlog halved since 1<sup>st</sup> June

• 11 AML/ASP defects currently open of which 7 were raised in July.

## **MI / Reporting**



Monthly Customer Reconciliation Count MI remains in development and test. At risk of being available for use in August (July billing cycle).



Open/Unresolved Exception MI new requirements needed which will cause a slight delay



Open/Unresolved Exclusion MI new requirements needed which will cause a slight delay



ASP and AML monthly mismatch summary counts tested and signed-off in readiness for July billing cycle



**Open/Unresolved Defects MI** operational

## SLA

- All MPRN recs received are accounted for and valued; allocation across invoices, exceptions, exclusions and mismatches is shared at shipper level with individual shippers at the end of each invoice cycle
- Exceptions, Exclusions and mismatches are communicated within **2 business days** following invoice receipt.

Target Date to operate within SLA

August 2019

### **Current SLA RAG Status**

Amber

### **RAG Justification**

• Testing of exception and exclusion reports complete, awaiting transport of reports to production.

# **Detailed RAG - Customer Perspective**

<u>Customer Pain</u> <u>Points</u>	Expected Resolution Date	RAG Status	Reason for RAG
Mismatches	December billing period (January 2020)	Amber	Although mismatches have reduced significantly, there is still work to be done to achieve this target. We are currently not yet in a position to deliver mismatch files -3 days before PDD which is why we are showing the status as Amber. Plan to have no mismatch files for the December invoice.
Exceptions	LSP - 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2019 SSP – 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2020	Amber	Large Supply Point exceptions on track for backlog to be resolved on time. Backlog of Small Supply Point exceptions are being worked on at present but the focus is with clearing the LSP's. Status of Amber due to SSP exceptions.
Exclusions	'Known' - completed 'Unknown' 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Amber	The backlog of exclusions with an identified resolution plan (known) has been completed. We are now working on the complex exclusions (unknown) which will take longer to complete.
Defects	August 2019	Green	Defects between 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2019 to end of May 2019 are classed as transitional defects. Any defect after June 1 <sup>st</sup> are being resolved as BAU (resolved within 2 invoice cycles). 11 amendment defects open currently, on track to meet SLAs.
MI Reporting	August 2019	Amber	Deployment and validations of the first reports from production is due the end of August, at risk as not all reports are developed. The reports will not be available for August 2019.

## **Summary Resolution One Pager**

<u>Mismatches</u>	<b>Exceptions</b>	Exclusions	Defects	MI / Reporting					
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Target Date to operate within SLA									
September 2019	August 2019	July 2019	August 2019	August 2019					
	Current SLA RAG Status								
Amber	Amber	Amber	Green	Amber					
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## In summary...

- We are disappointed with the increase of MPRNs with a mismatch this month but would like to assure you that we are doing all we can to monitor the situation and strive to improve month on month.
- A copy of the slide will be shared on the Xoserve website file for your information along with the mapping Matrix relating to the EUC codes.
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