

**Statement of the Basis of Charges for the
Provision of Legacy Metering Equipment by
Western Power Distribution (South Wales) plc**

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DISTRIBUTION FOR LEGACY METERING EQUIPMENT SERVICES**

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1. Introduction

This statement describes the prices and methodology applicable for Distribution Business Legacy Metering Equipment Services provided within Western Power Distribution (South Wales) plc, (the Company's), authorised area.

It is prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Company's Licence Obligation (LC 36) that requires a statement of charges for the provision of Legacy Metering Equipment to be published in a form approved by Ofgem.

2. Persons entitled to apply for legacy meter equipment provision

Any person, whether as an individual or as an Electricity Supplier, hereinafter referred to as "customer", may apply for the service of provision of legacy metering equipment (meters installed prior to 1st April 2007) within the Company's authorised area.

3. Contact details

Any customer who wishes to make use of the services contained in section 2 above within the Company's authorised area or who wishes to enquire in respect of technical definitions, specifications or required Agreements to be entered into, or who requires a copy of this statement should in the first instance contact Income and Connections, Western Power Distribution, Avonbank, Feeder Road, Bristol, BS2 0TB.

4. Agreements required to be entered into for the provision of the service

4.1 Agreement for the provision of legacy metering equipment

Any customer who applies to make use of legacy metering equipment within the Company's authorised area shall be offered terms and be required to enter into the following agreement:

- A Legacy Metering Agreement.

The Legacy Metering Equipment Agreement shall set out the obligations of both parties for services to be undertaken, prices, payment terms, payment methods and other contractual terms and conditions in relation to the provision of Legacy Metering Equipment.

5. Right of determination

Where agreement cannot be reached between the customer and the Company over the terms of any of the agreements for the services detailed above, the customer or the Company may refer the matter to Ofgem for determination. The address for Ofgem is, The Office of Gas and Electricity Markets, 9 Millbank, London, SW1P 3GE.

6. De-appointment of Western Power Distribution as Service Provider

Customers who no longer wish to take metering services from Western Power Distribution in relation to a particular Metering Point can de-appoint Western Power Distribution Metering as asset or service provider. Customers wishing to de-appoint Western Power Distribution

need to be aware that there may be some constraints in respect of the time taken to complete the de-appointment process. The time constraint would be dependent upon the nature and volume of the required de-appointments. Customers wishing to discuss this further should contact the Income and Connections, Western Power Distribution, Avonbank, Feeder Road, Bristol, BS2 0TB.

Any customer who de-appoints Western Power Distribution as service provider for Legacy Metering Equipment for one or more relevant metering points shall have no right to re-appoint Western Power Distribution in the same role for those metering points. This does not preclude re appointment for those meter points by agreement between the customer and Western Power Distribution.

7. Other Information

In the competitive half-hourly and remote metering market Western Power Distribution has been providing successful metering and data services solutions to more than 6,000 customers for more than 8 years.

Western Power Distribution will be pleased to provide details of these services, including charges, on request to the Remote Metering Manager, Western Power Distribution, Avonbank, Feeder Road, Bristol, BS2 0TB.

8. The basis and structure of the metering and data services charges

The charges payable in relation to Metering Services will be calculated in accordance with the principles set out below and will normally be charged on a monthly basis with 30 day payment terms. These principles will also be incorporated to the extent appropriate in the terms and conditions set out in any standard agreements detailed above.

1. The charges for asset provision are based on a rental period equivalent to the anticipated economic useful life of the asset. WPD reserves the right to alter the charges to reflect any change in the economic useful life. The charges for all legacy services reflect the Price Caps determined by Ofgem or the methodology prescribed by Ofgem in LC 36.
2. Schedule 1 charges are for Legacy Meter Equipment Provision and are based on the Price Caps calculated in accordance with Special Condition F1 of the distribution licence converted into a charge per day per device. Condition F1 will become the Charge Restriction Condition 6 if the licence conditions proposed by DPCR 5 are accepted.
3. Western Power Distribution will accept customer “appointments” and “de-appointments” as “Legacy Meter Equipment Provider”. Customers wishing to adopt such appointments and de-appointments will have to discuss and agree the working arrangements with Western Power Distribution prior to commencement.
4. All charges are exclusive of Value Added Tax which shall be added to all invoices at the appropriate rate.

9. The Charges

Schedule 1 - Charges for Legacy Meter Equipment Provision

	Asset Provision Charge Pence / Device / Day
Single Phase One Rate Credit	0.38
Single Phase Two Rate	0.37
Single Phase Multi Rate	1.91
Single Phase Twin Element	4.52
Prepayment Key One Rate	3.06
Prepayment Key Two Rate	3.06
Prepayment Token One Rate	2.91
Prepayment Token Two Rate	2.91
Polyphase One Rate (No MD)	1.07
Polyphase Two Rate (Includes for O/P control signal)	1.17
Polyphase Multi Rate (No O/P control signal)	3.29
Polyphase Multi Rate (MD) (No O/P control signal)	3.29
Polyphase Multi Rate (CT MD) (No O/P control signal)	5.90
Timeswitch or Teleswitch (in addition to the meter charge)	0.72