

Data Standards Body

Technical Working Group

Decision Proposal 264 – Billing Invoice Data Payloads

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Context

This proposal describes the payloads for telecommunications billing invoice data arrangements as described in sections of the [telecommunications sector designation instrument](#).

This proposal has incorporated feedback obtained in response to the following consultation activities:

- **Decision Proposal 256 – Telco Endpoints**
This consultation proposed a series of URIs for the whole telecommunications sector. Feedback provided in response to this consultation can be found at: <https://github.com/ConsumerDataStandardsAustralia/standards/issues/256>
- **First telecommunications API Workshop**
This workshop was conducted online and the outcomes of the workshop can be found at: <https://github.com/ConsumerDataStandardsAustralia/standards/wiki/Consumer-Data-Right-%7C-telecommunications-API-Workshop-%7C-Online---Outcomes>

It should be noted that, until the rules being developed by the Treasury are finalised, any decision made in response to this consultation is only indicative. The Data Standards Chair is required to make standards only in accordance with the Rules and the designation instrument.

Decision To Be Made

Define the preliminary end point URIs and payloads for Billing Invoice data.

Identified Options

When consulting on payloads each field potentially has multiple options. For this reason, this proposal only presents a single option for consultation with the expectation that all parts of the proposal are subject to change in response to community feedback.

This section therefore includes a series of descriptions of the underlying assumptions and rationale that have led to the specific proposal included in the recommendation section.

Alignment To CDR Standards

The field naming conventions and structures proposed are based on existing standards for the Telco sector but the field names, end point naming conventions and data structures have been modified to align with existing CDR standards. These standards are referenced below:

- **CDR Payload Structure:**

<https://consumerdatastandardsaustralia.github.io/standards/#payload-conventions>

These standards describe the overall payload structure for all CDR APIs.

This includes:

- a description of the use of the generic “data” object and standard error payload;
- a section on field naming conventions that outline how individual fields are named in the CDR standards; and
- a definition for the use of mandatory vs optional statements in CDR payloads.

- **CDR Common Field Types:**

<https://consumerdatastandardsaustralia.github.io/standards/#common-field-types>

These standards describe common field types referred to in payload definitions.

Cross Sector Alignment

The proposed payloads have also been aligned with the model for presenting invoice data established in the banking and energy sectors. Specifically, it has been previously assumed that invoice data would not be presented from a single API set aligned to the designated organisation but that each entity that the customer has a relationship with (i.e. master brand) would present APIs independently.

This approach ensures the defined end points are adaptable in the event of a change to the data holder designation in the future. It also means the data presented can be more easily aligned with the tailored arrangement data that is designated to be provided by telecommunications retailers as the data holder.

It is also worth noting that some data holders span the energy and telecommunications sectors. For these data holders this level of alignment will likely have a material, positive, impact on their implementations. For instance for invoices covering multiple sectors such as telco and energy they could be presented with same invoiceId. Where the retailer could provide invoices with both energy and telco data in them.

Designation Scope

This section outlines the scope of the end points documented in this proposal. This scope has been determined by a review of the designation for the [telecommunications sector](#).

Public Mobile Telecommunication Services

These include mobile services - both pre and post-paid. As defined as in [section 32 of the Telecommunication Act](#)

Fixed Internet Services

These include fixed internet services including NBN, ADSL, VDSL and fixed wireless.

Data Sets

These include information about a bill issued in relation to an account (invoice).

- Account number
- Billing period
- Date of issue
- Amount payable
- Usage

The account billing invoice interface requires customer consent including authentication and authorisation based on the CDR [information security profile](#).

Current Recommendation

The recommended URIs and Payloads for invoice data is presented in the following sections.

Invoice End Points Summary

A summary of the available account invoice end points:

- GET /telco/accounts/invoices
- POST /telco/accounts/invoices
- GET /telco/accounts/{accountId}/invoices

Invoice List Data

High Level Information

Title	Obtain information on a list of invoices for a customer account
HTTP Method	GET
URI	/telco/accounts/invoices
Authorisation Scope	telco:billing:read
Pagination	Supported
Path Parameters	None
Query Parameters	newest-date Constrain the request to records with issue date at or before this date. If absent defaults to current date. Format is aligned to DateString common type oldest-date Constrain the request to records with issue date at or after this date. If absent defaults to newest-date minus- 24 months. Format is aligned to DateString common type page Page of results to request (standard pagination) page-size Page size to request. Default is 25 (standard pagination)

Request Payload

Not applicable

Response Payloads

HTTP Response Code: 200 OK

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
data	Object	Mandatory	
{			
invoices	Array of Objects	Mandatory	
[[
invoice	Object	Optional	
{			
accountId	ASCIIString	Mandatory	The ID of the account for which the invoice was issued. accountId must comply in accordance with CDR ID permanence
invoiceNumber	String	Mandatory	The number assigned to this invoice by the telco Retailer
issueDate	DateString	Mandatory	The date that the invoice was actually issued (as opposed to generated or calculated)
dueDate	DateString	Optional	The date that the invoice is due to be paid
period	Object	Optional	Object containing the start and end date for the period covered by the invoice.
{			
startDate	DateString	Mandatory	The start date of the period covered by this invoice
endDate	DateString	Mandatory	The end date of the period covered by this invoice
}			
invoiceAmount	AmountString	Optional	The net amount due for this invoice regardless of previous balance
gstAmount	AmountString	Optional	The total GST amount for this invoice. If absent zero is assumed
payOnTimeDiscount	Object	Optional	A discount for on time payment
{			
discountAmount	AmountString	Mandatory	The amount that will be discounted if the invoice is paid by the specified date
gstAmount	DateString	Optional	The GST amount that will be discounted if the invoice is paid by the specified date. If absent, then zero is assumed

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
date	DateString	Mandatory	The date by which the invoice must be paid to receive the pay on time discount
}			
balanceAtIssue	AmountString	Mandatory	The account balance at the time the invoice was issued
services	Array of Strings	Mandatory	Array of service IDs to which this invoice applies.
paymentStatus	Enum	Mandatory	Indicator of the payment status for the invoice. One of the following values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PAID PARTIALLY_PAID UNPAID
accountCharges	Object	Mandatory	Object containing charges and credits related to telco account usage charges
{			
totalUsageCharges	AmountString	Mandatory	The aggregate total of usage charges for the period covered by the invoice (exclusive of GST)
totalOnceOffCharges	AmountString	Mandatory	The aggregate total of any once off charges arising from usage for the period covered by the invoice (exclusive of GST)
totalOnceOffDiscount	AmountString	Mandatory	The aggregate total of any once off discounts or credits arising from usage for the period covered by the invoice (exclusive of GST)
otherCharges	Array of Objects	Optional	Optional array of charges that may be part of the invoice (for example services fees) (exclusive of GST)
{[
type	Enum	Optional	Type of charge. Type of charge assumed to be OTHER if absent. Values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SERVICE EQUIPMENT NETWORK OTHER ...
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	The aggregate total of charges for this item (exclusive of GST)
description	String	Mandatory	A free text description of the charge
]]			
totalGst	AmountString	Optional	The total GST for usage charges. If absent, then zero is assumed

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
usage	Object	Mandatory	Usage summary for the invoice
{			
data	Object	Mandatory	Summary of invoice data usage
{			
upload	Number	Mandatory	Amount data uploaded in megabytes (MB)
download	Number	Mandatory	Amount data downloaded in megabytes (MB)
sessions	Number	Optional	Number of data sessions
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of data usage
}			
roaming	Object	Mandatory	Roaming data usage
{			
download	Number	Conditional	Amount of data used overseas in megabytes (MB).
amount	AmountString	Conditional	Amount value of data roaming charges
}			
voice	Object	Conditional	Summary of voice calls. Required if voice calls are included in product plan
{			
national	Object	Mandatory	National voice calls
{			
duration	TimeString	Mandatory	Total duration (hours, minutes, and seconds) of national voice calls
number	Number	Mandatory	Number of national voice calls
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of national calls
}			
international	Object	Mandatory	International and roaming calls
{			
duration	TimeString	Mandatory	Total duration (hours, minutes, and seconds) of international and roaming voice calls
number	Number	Mandatory	Number of international and roaming voice calls

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of international and roaming voice calls
}			
}			
messaging	Object	Conditional	Summary of messaging. Required if messaging services included in product plan
{			
sms	Object	Mandatory	Summary of SMS usage for the invoice
{			
national	Number	Mandatory	Number of national SMS messages sent. Including premium SMS services
international	Number	Mandatory	Number of international and roaming SMS messages sent. Including premium SMS services
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of SMS messages. Including premium SMS services
}			
mms	Object	Mandatory	Summary of MMS usage for the invoice
{			
national	Number	Mandatory	Number of national MMS messages sent
international	Number	Mandatory	Number of international and roaming MMS messages sent
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of MMS messages
}			
}			
}			
}			
}			
}}			
}			
links	Object	Mandatory	
{			

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
self	URIStrng	Mandatory	Fully qualified link to this API call
first	URI	Conditional	URI to the first page of this set. Mandatory if this response is not the first page
prev	URI	Conditional	URI to the previous page of this set. Mandatory if this response is not the first page
next	URI	Conditional	URI to the next page of this set. Mandatory if this response is not the last page
last	URI	Conditional	URI to the last page of this set. Mandatory if this response is not the last page
}			
meta	Object	Mandatory	
{			
totalRecords	PositiveInteger	Mandatory	The total number of records in the full set
totalPages	PositiveInteger	Mandatory	The total number of pages in the full set
}			

Invoice data for specific accounts

High Level Information

Title	Obtain information on a list of invoices for specific accounts
HTTP Method	POST
URI	/telco/accounts/invoices
Authorisation Scope	telco:billing:read
Pagination	Supported
Path Parameters	None
Query Parameters	accountIds Array of specific accountIds to obtain account data for newest-date Constrain the request to records with issue date at or before this date. If absent defaults to current date. Format is aligned to DateString common type oldest-date Constrain the request to records with issue date at or after this date. If absent defaults to newest-date minus- 24 months. Format is aligned to DateString common type page Page of results to request (standard pagination) page-size Page size to request. Default is 25 (standard pagination)

Request Payload

Not applicable

Response Payloads

HTTP Response Code: 200 OK

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
data	Object	Mandatory	
{			
invoices	Array of Objects	Mandatory	
[[
invoice	Object	Optional	
{			

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
accountId	ASCIIString	Mandatory	The ID of the account for which the invoice was issued. accountId must comply in accordance with CDR ID permanence
invoiceNumber	String	Mandatory	The number assigned to this invoice by the telco Retailer
issueDate	DateString	Mandatory	The date that the invoice was actually issued (as opposed to generated or calculated)
dueDate	DateString	Optional	The date that the invoice is due to be paid
period	Object	Optional	Object containing the start and end date for the period covered by the invoice.
{			
startDate	DateString	Mandatory	The start date of the period covered by this invoice
endDate	DateString	Mandatory	The end date of the period covered by this invoice
}			
invoiceAmount	AmountString	Optional	The net amount due for this invoice regardless of previous balance
gstAmount	AmountString	Optional	The total GST amount for this invoice. If absent zero is assumed
payOnTimeDiscount	Object	Optional	A discount for on time payment
{			
discountAmount	AmountString	Mandatory	The amount that will be discounted if the invoice is paid by the specified date
gstAmount	DateString	Optional	The GST amount that will be discounted if the invoice is paid by the specified date. If absent, then zero is assumed
date	DateString	Mandatory	The date by which the invoice must be paid to receive the pay on time discount
}			
balanceAtIssue	AmountString	Mandatory	The account balance at the time the invoice was issued
services	Array of Strings	Mandatory	Array of service IDs to which this invoice applies.
paymentStatus	Enum	Mandatory	Indicator of the payment status for the invoice. One of the following values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PAID • PARTIALLY_PAID • UNPAID

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
accountCharges	Object	Mandatory	Object containing charges and credits related to telco account usage charges
{			
totalUsageCharges	AmountString	Mandatory	The aggregate total of usage charges for the period covered by the invoice (exclusive of GST)
totalOnceOffCharges	AmountString	Mandatory	The aggregate total of any once off charges arising from usage for the period covered by the invoice (exclusive of GST)
totalOnceOffDiscount	AmountString	Mandatory	The aggregate total of any once off discounts or credits arising from usage for the period covered by the invoice (exclusive of GST)
otherCharges	Array of Objects	Optional	Optional array of charges that may be part of the invoice (for example services fees) (exclusive of GST)
{[
type	Enum	Optional	Type of charge. Type of charge assumed to be OTHER if absent. Values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SERVICE • EQUIPMENT • NETWORK • OTHER • ...
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	The aggregate total of charges for this item (exclusive of GST)
description	String	Mandatory	A free text description of the charge
]}]			
totalGst	AmountString	Optional	The total GST for usage charges. If absent, then zero is assumed
usage	Object	Mandatory	Usage summary for the invoice
{			
data	Object	Mandatory	Summary of invoice data usage
{			
upload	Number	Mandatory	Amount data uploaded in megabytes (MB)
download	Number	Mandatory	Amount data downloaded in megabytes (MB)
sessions	Number	Optional	Number of data sessions
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of data usage

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
}			
roaming	Object	Mandatory	Roaming data usage
{			
download	Number	Conditional	Amount of data used overseas in megabytes (MB).
amount	AmountString	Conditional	Amount value of data roaming charges
}			
voice	Object	Conditional	Summary of voice calls. Required if voice calls are included in product plan
{			
national	Object	Mandatory	National voice calls
{			
duration	TimeString	Mandatory	Total duration (hours, minutes, and seconds) of national voice calls
number	Number	Mandatory	Number of national voice calls
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of national calls
}			
international	Object	Mandatory	International and roaming calls
{			
duration	TimeString	Mandatory	Total duration (hours, minutes, and seconds) of international and roaming voice calls
number	Number	Mandatory	Number of international and roaming voice calls
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of international and roaming voice calls
}			
}			
messaging	Object	Conditional	Summary of messaging. Required if messaging services included in product plan
{			
sms	Object	Mandatory	Summary of SMS usage for the invoice
{			

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
national	Number	Mandatory	Number of national SMS messages sent. Including premium SMS services
international	Number	Mandatory	Number of international and roaming SMS messages sent. Including premium SMS services
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of SMS messages. Including premium SMS services
}			
mms	Object	Mandatory	Summary of MMS usage for the invoice
{			
national	Number	Mandatory	Number of national MMS messages sent
international	Number	Mandatory	Number of international and roaming MMS messages sent
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of MMS messages
}			
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}			
}			
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links	Object	Mandatory	
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self	URIStrng	Mandatory	Fully qualified link to this API call
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Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
meta	Object	Mandatory	
{			
totalRecords	PositiveInteger	Mandatory	The total number of records in the full set
totalPages	PositiveInteger	Mandatory	The total number of pages in the full set
}			

Invoice data for a specific account

High Level Information

Title	Obtain invoice information for a specific account
HTTP Method	GET
URI	/telco/accounts/{accountId}/invoices
Authorisation Scope	telco:billing:read
Pagination	Not supported
Specific Errors	Not supported – 400 and 422 not expected to be returned
Path Parameters	accountId ID of the specific account requested
Query Parameters	None

Request Payload

Not applicable

Response Payloads

HTTP Response Code: 200 OK

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
data	Object	Mandatory	
{			
invoice	Object	Optional	
{			
accountId	ASCIIString	Mandatory	The ID of the account for which the invoice was issued. accountId must comply in accordance with CDR ID permanence
invoiceNumber	String	Mandatory	The number assigned to this invoice by the telco Retailer
issueDate	DateString	Mandatory	The date that the invoice was actually issued (as opposed to generated or calculated)
dueDate	DateString	Optional	The date that the invoice is due to be paid
period	Object	Optional	Object containing the start and end date for the period covered by the invoice.
{			

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
startDate	DateString	Mandatory	The start date of the period covered by this invoice
endDate	DateString	Mandatory	The end date of the period covered by this invoice
}			
invoiceAmount	AmountString	Optional	The net amount due for this invoice regardless of previous balance
gstAmount	AmountString	Optional	The total GST amount for this invoice. If absent zero is assumed
payOnTimeDiscount	Object	Optional	A discount for on time payment
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discountAmount	AmountString	Mandatory	The amount that will be discounted if the invoice is paid by the specified date
gstAmount	DateString	Optional	The GST amount that will be discounted if the invoice is paid by the specified date. If absent, then zero is assumed
date	DateString	Mandatory	The date by which the invoice must be paid to receive the pay on time discount
}			
balanceAtIssue	AmountString	Mandatory	The account balance at the time the invoice was issued
services	Array of Strings	Mandatory	Array of service IDs to which this invoice applies.
paymentStatus	Enum	Mandatory	Indicator of the payment status for the invoice. One of the following values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PAID PARTIALLY_PAID UNPAID
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totalOnceOffDiscount	AmountString	Mandatory	The aggregate total of any once off discounts or credits arising from usage for the period covered by the invoice (exclusive of GST)

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
otherCharges	Array of Objects	Optional	Optional array of charges that may be part of the invoice (for example services fees) (exclusive of GST)
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type	Enum	Optional	Type of charge. Type of charge assumed to be OTHER if absent. Values include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SERVICE • EQUIPMENT • NETWORK • OTHER • ...
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sessions	Number	Optional	Number of data sessions
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of data usage
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roaming	Object	Mandatory	Roaming data usage
{			
download	Number	Conditional	Amount of data used overseas in megabytes (MB).
amount	AmountString	Conditional	Amount value of data roaming charges
}			
voice	Object	Conditional	Summary of voice calls. Required if voice calls are included in product plan

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
{			
national	Object	Mandatory	National voice calls
{			
duration	TimeString	Mandatory	Total duration (hours, minutes, and seconds) of national voice calls
number	Number	Mandatory	Number of national voice calls
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of national calls
}			
international	Object	Mandatory	International and roaming calls
{			
duration	TimeString	Mandatory	Total duration (hours, minutes, and seconds) of international and roaming voice calls
number	Number	Mandatory	Number of international and roaming voice calls
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of international and roaming voice calls
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}			
messaging	Object	Conditional	Summary of messaging. Required if messaging services included in product plan
{			
sms	Object	Mandatory	Summary of SMS usage for the invoice
{			
national	Number	Mandatory	Number of national SMS messages sent. Including premium SMS services
international	Number	Mandatory	Number of international and roaming SMS messages sent. Including premium SMS services
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of SMS messages. Including premium SMS services
}			
mms	Object	Mandatory	Summary of MMS usage for the invoice
{			
national	Number	Mandatory	Number of national MMS messages sent

Field	Type	Mandatory	Description
international	Number	Mandatory	Number of international and roaming MMS messages sent
amount	AmountString	Mandatory	Cost amount of MMS messages
}			
}			
}			
}			
}			
}			
links	Object	Mandatory	
{			
self	URIStrng	Mandatory	Fully qualified link to this API call
}			
meta {}	Object	Mandatory	