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Amendment to MEF 81: Product Inventory Management

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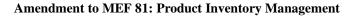
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1 Abstract

This amendment addresses seven known issues with MEF 81.



2 Introduction

This amendment makes seven corrections/clarifications to MEF 81. These are:

- In Table 7 of MEF 81 the Initial Order Completion Date is changed from a range to a date time. Associated text is corrected.
- In Table 7 of MEF 81 the Termination Date is changed from a range to a date time. Associated text is corrected.
- In Table 9 of MEF 81 the Initial Order Completion Date is changed from a range to a date time. Associated text is corrected.
- In Table 9 of MEF 81 the Last Update Date is changed from a range to a date time. Associated text is corrected.
- In Table 9 of MEF 81 the Termination Date is changed from a range to a date time. Associated text is corrected.
- In Table 9 of MEF 81 the Product Order Item points to a reference. The Product Order Item header is missing from the table.
- In Table 9 of MEF 81 delete Pre-Tax Value from the table.

In this amendment, changes are shown as follows:

- Instructions for how to apply the amendment are shown in *blue italics*
- Text to be removed is shown with red strikethrough
- Text to be added is shown in red



3 Changes to Section 8.1

Replace Table 7 with the Table shown below:

Attribute	Description	Type	Comments
Buyer	The unique name of the organization that is acting as the customer in this transaction.	String	See Buyer/Seller section 8.3
Seller	The unique name of the organization that is acting as the supplier in this transaction.	String	See Buyer/Seller section 8.3
Seller Response Code	A response identifier, indicating if the Seller was able to successfully accept the Inventory request. The detailed response options are for further study but include: Success and Failure.	String	For further study
Seller Product Identifier	Product Identifier (UNI/OVC/ENNI) as assigned during the ordering process	String	The identifier is established by the Seller and required to create the Product Inventory record. Examples could be a Service Identifier, OVC Identifier, UNI Identifier, or ENNI Identifier.
Status	The state of the Product in accordance with the Product lifecycle shown in the state machine in section 9.	String of one of the following: Pending Cancelled Active Active_Pending_Change Active_Pending_Terminate Suspended Suspended_Pending_Terminate nate Terminated	The Seller is responsible for managing the Product lifecycle states.



Attribute	Description	Туре	Comments
Initial Order	The date that the Product	Date/Time Range	This date is the
Completion	Order that created this		initial install
Date	Product was completed per		date for the
	MEF 57.1.		Product. A
			range of
			Date/Time is in-
			cluded in the
			query.
Last Up-	The date that the last	Date/Time Range	If the Buyer
dated Date	change affecting this Prod-		maintains a
	uct was completed. This		copy of the
	could be set by an order in-		Seller's inven-
	itiated by the Buyer or if		tory, they can
	the Seller changes the Sta-		use this attrib-
	tus of the Product.		ute to query for
			all changes
			since the last
			time their copy
			was updated. If
			the Buyer does
			not maintain a
			copy of the
			Seller's inven-
			tory, it is likely
			that they will
			use the attribute
			to query order
			initiated by the
			Buyer that have
			been completed
			since the speci-
			fied Date/Time.
			A range of
			Date/Time is in-
			cluded in the
			query.
Product Of-	The identifier of the Prod-	String	
fering ID	uct Offering		
Product	The identifier of the Prod-	String	
Specifica-	uct Specification		
tion ID			
Buyer Prod-	The identifier of the Buyer	String	This is specified
uct ID	Product		and maintained
			by the Buyer

Table 7 – Product Inventory Query Seller Response



4 Changes to Section 8.3

Replace Table 9 with the Table shown below:

Attribute	Description	Type	Comments
Buyer	The unique name of the organization that is acting as the cus- tomer in this transac- tion.	String	See Buyer/Seller section 8.3
Seller	The unique name of the organization that is acting as the sup- plier in this transac- tion.	String	See Buyer/Seller section 8.3
Seller Response Code	A response identifier, indicating if the Seller was able to successfully accept the Inventory request. The detailed response options are for further study but include: Success and Failure.	String	For further study
Product			
Seller Product Identifier	Product Identifier (UNI/OVC/ENNI) as assigned during the ordering process	String	The identifier is established by the Seller and required to create the Product Inventory record. Examples could be a Service Identifier, OVC Identifier, UNI Identifier, or ENNI Identifier.
Product	The product that is associated to the Seller Product Identifier	Reference to a Product	



Attribute	Description	Туре	Comments
Status	The state of the Prod-	String that is one of the fol-	The Seller is re-
Status	uct in accordance		
	with the Product	lowing:	sponsible for man-
		Pending Cancelled	aging the Product
	lifecycle shown in the state machine in		lifecycle states.
		Active	
	section 9.	Active_Pending_Change	
		Active_Pending_Terminate	
		Suspended	
		Suspended_Pending_Termi-	
		nate	
		Terminated	
Buyer Product	This identifier is op-	String	For any request to
Identifier	tionally provided		Product update
	during the Product		(done through
	ordering and stored		Product order),
	for informative pur-		Seller Product
	pose in the Seller in-		Identifier must be
	ventory. It may be a		used.
	Buyer's UNI Identi-		
	fier or a Buyer's		
	OVC Identifier		
Initial Order	The date that the	Date/Time Range	This date is the ini-
Completion	Product Order that		tial install date for
Date	created this Product		the Product.
	was completed per		
	MEF 57.1.		



Attribute	Description	Туре	Comments
Last Updated	The date that the last	Date/Time Range	If the Buyer main-
Date	change affecting this		tains a copy of the
	Product was com-		Seller's inventory,
	pleted. This could be		they can use this at-
	set by an order initi-		tribute to update
	ated by the Buyer or		their copy of the
	if the Seller changes		Seller's inventory
	the Status of the		for all changes
	Product.		since the last time
			their copy was up-
			dated. If the Buyer
			does not maintain a
			copy of the Seller's
			inventory, this at-
			tribute is used to
			communicate any
			order(s) initiated by
			the Buyer that have
			been completed
			since the specified
			Date/Time. A
			range of Date/Time
			is included in the
			query.
Termination	The date that the	Date/Time Range	
Date	Product Order chang-		
	ing the status to Ter-		
	minated was com-		
C:4 o	pleted per MEF 57.1.		
Service Site	The identifier of this	String	Unique within the
Identifier	Service Site	String	Seller
Service Site	Reference to the Ser-	Reference	Sellel
Reference	vice Site	Reference	
Service Site	Name of the Service	Ctuin a	
Name	Site	String	
Product Offerin			
Product Offer-	A unique identifier	String	This is a reference
ing Identifier	of the Product Offer-	Sums	to the associated
ing identifier			Product Offering.
	ing.		1 Toduct Offering.



Attribute	Description	Туре	Comments
Product Specifi	•	-JP-	0 0
Product Specification Identifier	A unique identifier of the Product Specification.	String	This is a reference to the associated Product Specification. Details of the Product Specification are outside the scope of this document.
Product Relation	onship		
Relationship Nature	Specifies the nature of relationship to the related product. The nature of required relationships vary for Products of different types. For example, a UNI or ENNI Product may not have any relationships, but an Access E-Line may have two mandatory relationships (related to the UNI on one end and the ENNI on the other). More complex Products such as multipoint IP or Firewall Products may have more complex relationships. As a result, the allowed and mandatory Relationship Nature values are defined in the Product Specification.	String that is one of the relationship types specified in the Product Specification.	



Attribute	Description	Туре	Comments
Seller Product	Product Identifier	String	The identifier is es-
Identifier	(UNI/OVC/ENNI) as	Sumg	tablished by the
	assigned during the		Seller and required
	ordering process		to create the Prod-
	ordering process		uct Inventory rec-
			ord. Examples
			could be a Service
			Identifier, OVC
			Identifier, UNI
			Identifier, or ENNI
			Identifier.
Billing Account			
Billing Ac-	The identifier of the	String	A reference to the
count Identifier	billing account.		billing account pro-
			vided at the time
			the Product was or-
			dered.
Related Party			
Contact Role	The Role of the Con-	String	Roles are described
	tact		in Table 9.
		Buyer Assurance Technical	
		Contact	
		Seller Assurance Technical	
		Contact	
		Seller Commercial Contact	
		Seller SLA Management Contact	
		Buyer Commercial Contact	
		Buyer SLA Management	
		Contact	
Contact Name	The person or organi-	String	
	zation to be con-		
	tacted.		
Contact Phone	The telephone num-	String	
Number	ber for this contact.	5	
Contact Phone	The telephone num-	String	
Number Exten-	ber extension for this		
sion	contact.		
Contact email	The email address for	String	
Address	this contact.		



Attribute	Description	Туре	Comments
Product Order	*	V -	
Product Order Identifier	Identifies the Product Order. Associated with the Product	String	This identifier is provided by the Seller and communicated to the Buyer during the order process. This ID is unique within the Seller.
Product Order Item	The Product Order Item associated with the Product	Reference to one or more Product Order Items	The Product Order Item of the associated Product order that resulted in the creation of this Product.
Product Order			
Product Order Item Identifier	Identifies the Product Order Item. One or more Product Order Items exist within a Product Order.	String	This is a reference to the associated Product Order Item assigned by the Seller and communicated to the Buyer during the order process. This ID is unique within this order.
Product Order Item Term	Duration of the term.	Duration	
Product Order Item Term End Date	The end date for the Product Order Item Term	Date/Time Range	
Agreement	The agreement(s) associated with the Product Order Item.	Reference to an Agreement	
Agreement			
Agreement ID	Unique agreement identifier	String	
Agreement Name	Name of the agreement.	String	
Agreement Path	A URI/URL to where the agreement resides.	String	



Attribute	Description	Туре	Comments
Product Price			
Price Type	Indicates if the price is for recurring or non-recurring charges.	String of one of the following: Recurring Non-recurring	Set by the Seller
Price Recurring Change Period	Charge period for recurring charge	One of the following: HOUR DAY WEEK MONTH YEAR	
Price	The associated price.	Reference to a Price	Set by the Seller
Price Name	Name of the price.	String	Set by the Seller
Price Description	Description of the price.	String	Set by the Seller
Price			
Pre-Tax Value	The price value	Float	
Price Tax Rate Price Tax Included Amount	The tax rate applied. All taxes included amount (expressed in the given currency).		
Price Duty Free Amount	All taxes excluded amount (expressed in the given currency).		
Price Unit	Currency ISO 4217 [1] norm uses 3 letters to define the currency	String	

Table 9 – Seller Product Identifier Inventory Response