

# MDM FILE FORMAT AND LOAD PROCESS

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

# 1.1 Purpose and Scope

This document specifies the Meter Data Management (MDM) Format to be used by MDPs for the provision of *metering data* to AEMO.

It also details the process for uploading the MDM files and the validations that occur when a file is submitted.

# 1.2 Definitions and Interpretation

The Retail Electricity Market Procedures – Glossary and Framework:

- (a) is incorporated into and forms part of this document; and
- (b) should be read with this document.

#### 1.3 Related Documents

Title	Location
aseXML Schema	https://www.aemo.com.au/Electricity/National-Electricity-Market-NEM/IT-systems-and-change/aseXML_standards/aseXML-Schemas
Hints and Tips – CATS & NMI Discovery	https://www.aemo.com.au/Electricity/National-Electricity-Market-NEM/Retail-and-metering/Market-Settlement-and-Transfer-Solutions
CATS Procedures	https://www.aemo.com.au/Electricity/National-Electricity-Market-NEM/Retail-and-metering/Market-Settlement-and-Transfer-Solutions
MDM Procedures	https://www.aemo.com.au/Electricity/National-Electricity-Market-NEM/Retail-and-metering/Market-Settlement-and-Transfer-Solutions
Metrology Procedure: Part A	https://www.aemo.com.au/Electricity/National-Electricity-Market-NEM/Retail-and-metering
Metrology Procedure: Part B	https://www.aemo.com.au/Electricity/National-Electricity-Market-NEM/Retail-and-metering
NMI Procedure	https://www.aemo.com.au/Electricity/National-Electricity-Market-NEM/Retail-and-metering/Market-Settlement-and-Transfer-Solutions
Retail Electricity Market Procedures – Glossary and Framework	https://www.aemo.com.au/Electricity/National-Electricity-Market-NEM/Retail-and-metering/Glossary-and-Framework

# 2. OVERVIEW

# 2.1 Outline of Meter Data Management

# **2.1** MeterMetering Data Management (MDM)

<u>MDM</u> is the name given to the centralised database of *metering data* which is a component of AEMO's Market Settlement and Transfer Solution ( within MSATS) system. This database receives and holds meter data from non-interval and interval-metering installations. Additionally, MDM provides storage for <u>data</u> and stores profile information shapes provided from external Profile Preparation Service (PPS), as well as those generated internally by MSATS.

Functionality within-MDM allows for storage of configuration data required to generate *profiles* that conform to the NEM Metrology Procedure and estimate data that is metrology procedure and substitutes of missing for required time periodsdata.

MDM is the source of data for the Wholesale Settlement process initiated by AEMO in MSATS settlements.



# 2.2 Inputs Accepted by MDM

MDM accepts and stores wholesale and contestable first and second tier energyall metering data as well as generator, and interconnector. MDM accepts interval and non-interval data that has been read, profiled, deemed (e.g. for unmetered supply), estimated or substituted for every active data stream. This data is accepted in the NEM, which is submitted in the form of a meter metering data notification transaction.

The metermetering data notification transaction is submitted to MSATS by the Metering Data Providers (MDP)MDPs in the form of a comma separated values-wrapped aseXML file. Details regardingof the creation and submission of this file are contained withinin section 3-of this document. There are a number of validation requirements undertaken on the metermetering data notification transaction before the data file is accepted by MSATS.

Data is required for all data streams defined Datastreams in MSATS for any period of time where the data stream status code Datastream Status Code is set to 'A' (Active). MDM stores this data for every data stream required Datastream against a certain connection point for settlements purposes. This includes all tier 2 data, tier 1 data required for profile calculation, generator data, interconnector data, contestable customer and wholesale connection point data.

## 3. PROCESS OF LOADING METERING DATA

#### 3.1 Outline

Once NMI and connection point information is set up in MSATS, users specifically MDPs (or external data preparation services) have the ability to MDPs can upload metering data into MSATS for settlements processing. This data, which can be delivered to MSATS via the Browser (interactive loading) browser or via the Batch batch interface (direct loading).

- (a) Interactive Loading (submitting files via the Browser) MDPs have the ability to manually can load metering data manually using the "Participant Inbox" Inbox' screen and the "Upload" Upload' action. When MDPs click on the "Upload" Upload' action, they are effectively placing the batch file into their Inbox'Inbox' directory on the file share on the AEMO network.
  - When using the Browser interface the File Upload Screen will be used to transfer a *metering data* file to the appropriate AEMO file directory (or 'Participant Inbox Inbox') for settlements processing.
- (b) Direct LoadingBatch MDPs also have the ability tocan place metering data files directly into their 'Participant InbexInbox' directory on the AEMO network. This is the preferred option if an MDP has a large number of files to process.

# 3.2 Security

In order to To upload metering data interactively (i.e. via the MSATS Browser Interface) browser interface, the following rules must be adhered to:

- (a) The UserID identified in the SecurityContext element of the header must be a user ID that belongsbelong to the From Participant ID.
- (b) The <u>User IDUserID</u> identified in the SecurityContext element in the XML message must be permitted to perform the batch transactions contained in the XML message (e.g. have been allocated a right that allows submission of MDM <u>Meter Datametering data</u>).
- (c) If the file is being submitted via the browser, the user The Participant User submitting the transaction must have a right that allows full access to the 'Participant Mailbox Mailbox' entity.
- (d) If the file is being submitted by the browser, the participant The Participant ID nominated in the From element must match the logged--on user's participant Participant User's Participant ID.



# 3.3 aseXML Message Format

To import *metering data* into MSATS, the MDP systems must generate an XML-wrapped .csv (Comma-Separated Values)CSV file containing all relevant meteringMetering and participant information that conforms to the applicable aseXML schemaSchema.

This file must then be zipped and uploaded into MSATS using the <u>Browserbrowser</u> interface, or by directly placing the file into the appropriate 'Participant <u>Inbox</u>' on the AEMO fileshare.

The file itself will contain 3 main sections:

- (a) **Schema Information:** This section details the MSATS schema version information and should not be modified unless AEMO notifies of an updated release through its change management process releases an update.
- (b) **Header Information:** This section contains information about the Participant—who is submitting the file, its destination, and the type of transaction being submitted.
- (c) **Transaction Information:** This section contains all of the transaction-specific information, i.e. the actual *metering data* to be loaded.

This document has been developed using the current schema version, whilst. Whilst all endeavours will be made to keep this document up to date with the schema changes, this document needs to be read in conjunction with the latest schema information available on the AEMO website.

The following Figure 1 is an example of an aseXML file containing the CSV payload data. The file shows the structure of a transaction containing interval data. Note the examples in this document refer to schema version r25, please refer to the latest version available from the AEMO website.

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
Schema
                                     <ase:aseXML xmlns:ase="urn:aseXML:r25" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-
Information
                                     instance" xsi:schemaLocation="urn:aseXML:r25
                                     http://www.aemo.com.au/aseXML/schemas/r25/aseXML r25.xsd">
                                                    <Header>
                                                                    <From>MDA1</From>
                                                                    <To>NEMMCO</To>
                                                                    <MessageID>MDA1-MSG-34567856
Header
                                                                    <MessageDate>2009-10-31T13:20:10.100+10:00</MessageDate>
                                                                    <TransactionGroup>MDMT</TransactionGroup>
Information
                                                                    <Priority>Low</Priority
                                                                    <SecurityContext>zz023</SecurityContext>
                                                                    <Market>NEM</Market>
                                                    </Header>
                                           <Transactions>
                                                                    <Transaction transactionID="MDA1-TNS-12343456" transactionDate="2009-10-
                                     31T13:20:10.090+10:00">
                                                                                   <MeterDataNotification version="r25">
                                                                                   < CSVIntervalData
                                     Name="Interval">NMI,Suffix,MDPVersionDate,SettlementDate,Status,Period01,Period02,Period03,Pe
Transaction
                                     riod04,Period05,Period06,Period07,Period08,Period09,Period10,Period11,Period12,Period13,Period1
                                     4,Period15,Period16,Period17,Period18,Period19,Period20,Period21,Period22,Period23,Period24,Pe
Information
                                     riod25,Period26,Period27,Period28,Period29,Period30,Period31,Period32,Period33,Period34,Period3
                                     5,Period36,Period37,Period38,Period39,Period40,Period41,Period42,Period43,Period44,Period45,Pe
                                     riod46.Period47.Period48.DCTC
                                     AAAAAAAAAAA,3.422,3.825,4.163,3.456,3.979,3.401,3.567,3.556,3.948,3.732,3.743,3.898,3.859,3.
                                     899,3.749,3.396,3.685,3.827,3.448,3.562,3.949,3.465,3.462,3.618,3.699,3.838,3.68,4.158,3.705,4.14
                                     9, 3.633, 3.514, 4.022, 4.077, 3.916, 3.501, 3.429, 3.796, 3.645, 3.695, 4.079, 3.36, 3.962, 3.432, 3.852, 3.965, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645, 3.645
                                     3.412, 4.002, COMMS </CSVIntervalData>
                                                                                   </MeterDataNotification>
                                                                    </Transaction>
                                                      </Transactions>
                                     </ase:aseXML>
```

FIGURE: 1 XML MESSAGE FORMAT



#### Figure 1 XML Message Format

#### 3.4 Header Information

The table Table 1 details the fields to be included in the 'Header' section of the XML-wrapped file. Take note of the 'Field Formats' to be used when creating the file. If a field entry is typed in the wrong case (i.e. not capitals) then, the file may be rejected by MSATS.

Table 1 Table 1: HEADER INFORMATION

Field Name	Field Format	Example
<description></description>	This is aA free-text field that will allow the input of up to 30 characters. It is the description of the Participant (MDP) who is submitting the file. Can be upper or lower case	<u>":</u> Testing and Certification Australia <u>MDP" MDP'</u>
<from></from>	This is the The Participant ID of the user Participant submitting the file (MDP). This ID), which must be typed—in uppercase (capitals).  The field will allow entry of up to 8 characters.	TCAUSTM
<to></to>	This is the The AEMO Participant ID-(i.e. the participant you are sending the file to).  Must, which must be typed in uppercase.	NEMMCO
<messageid></messageid>	This is aA unique, participant-Participant-generated identifier for the file being sent. This ID, which can contain up to 50 characters.	":MDA1-MSG- <u>2466453"</u> 2466453'  "TCAUSTM017746632":TCAUST M017746632'
<messagedate></messagedate>	Date and Timetime identifier to be attached to the file. This must be, in the following format: yyyy-mm-ddThh:mm:ss.sss+10:00	2001-12-31T08:59:11+10:00
<transactiongroup></transactiongroup>	This will identify Identifies the type of transaction being processed. When uploading metering data the transaction group will always be 'MDMT'. It is a 4- character string.	MDMT
<priority></priority>	This will identify Identifies the priority of the transaction. In turn, this priority will determine the order in which transactions are processed.	Low
<securitycontext></securitycontext>	Security Context identifies to Identifies the User IDID' of the User Participant User submitting the file.	USER1
	The nominated user must have permission to submit this type of transaction.	JSMITH
<market></market>		NEM

The following Figure 2 is an example of the 'Header' section of an XML file:

```
<Header>
```

- <From>MDA1</From>
- <To>NEMMCO</To>
- <MessageID>MDA1-MSG-34567856</messageID>
- <MessageDate>2009-10-31T13:20:10.100+10:00/MessageDate>
- <TransactionGroup>MDMT</TransactionGroup>
- <Priority>Low</Priority>
- <SecurityContext>zz023</SecurityContext>
- <Market>NEM</Market>

</Header>



#### FIGURE 2: XML HEADER EXAMPLE

#### Figure 2 XML Header Example

#### 3.5 Transaction Information

The table below Table 2 details the fields to be included in the 'Transaction' section of the XML-wrapped file. Take note of the 'Field Formats' to be used when entering actual metering data

Table 2 Table 2: Transaction information

Field Name	Field Format	Example
<transactionid></transactionid>	This is a free-text field that will allowallows the input of up to 50 characters. It is a unique identifier assigned by the Participant to the transaction.	":MDA1-TNS- 1887373" 1887373'
<transactiondate></transactiondate>	Date and Timetime identifier to be attached to the transaction itself. This must be in the format: yyyy-mm-ddThh:mm:ss.sss+10:00	2001-12-31T08:59:11+10:00
<meterdatanotificationversi on=""></meterdatanotificationversi>	The schema version number that is currently in use.	<u>"r25" (r25'</u>
CSV Data TypeCSVDataType	The participant has the choice of uploadingParticipant may upload interval metering data, consumptionaccumulation metering data or profile data. The prefix for each of these data types will be one of these:  the below:  -CSVIntervalData -CSVConsumptionData -CSVProfileData (includes data for sample meters meter data)  CSV Data TypesCSVDataTypes must be delivered in separate transactions.  Optionally this field can contain the name attribute as per below:  -CSVIntervalData Name="Interval"='Interval' -CSVConsumptionData Name="Consumption" -CSVProfileData Name = "Profile" 'Profile'  Specific files captured for each of these CSV Data TypesCSVDataTypes are detailed in the next section.	<csvconsumptiondata> <csvintervaldata> <csvprofiledata> Optional Examples: <csvintervaldata name="Interval">='Interval'&gt; <csvconsumptiondata name="Consumption"> ='Consumption'&gt; <csvprofiledata name="Profile">='Profile' ≥</csvprofiledata></csvconsumptiondata></csvintervaldata></csvprofiledata></csvintervaldata></csvconsumptiondata>

# 3.6 CSV Consumption Data

CSVConsumptionData is used when loading *metering data* for data streams Datastreams listed in MSATS with a type of 'C' (consumption) which is for a basic/type 6 meter metering installation. The meter readings Meter Readings are not yet broken down into the 1/2 hourly intervals (as with CSVIntervalData).

Each component of the CSVConsumptionData listed in the below table Table 3 should be separated by a comma in the XML file.

For CSVConsumptionData delivered to AEMO (MSATS), the suffix detail must conform to the "National Metering Identifier Procedure (NMI)") for consumption *metering data*. The suffix identifier provided in the MDM CSVConsumptionData file must be identical to the datstream value entered into the MSATS CATS\_NMI\_DataStream table for the connection point identified by the NMI.



Table 133: Summary of Data Delivery

	DELIVERY TO ENTITLED PARTICIPANT e.g. LNSP, LR, FRMP	DELIVERY TO AEMO
Data Type	NMI data stream Datastream (e.g. 11, 42)  Deliver validated Validated metering data readings and consumption including any substitutions and estimations Estimations.	NMI data stream Datastream (e.g. 11, 42)  Deliver validated consumption Validated metering data including any substitutions Substitutions and estimations Estimations.
File Format	'MDFF' Meter Data File Format.MDFF	'MDM' AEMO aseXML data file format.
Delivery Point	To the Registered Participants via B2B e-Hub inbox	To the <i>Metering Data Provider's</i> MDP's MSATS inbox

Field Name	Field Format	Example
NMI	The NMI-(National Metering Identifier), which identifies the connection point. It consists of 10 alphanumeric characters.	8166755454 VSSSS00001
Suffix	The NMI Suffix In the Suffix for the data stream Datastream as defined in the MSATS Procedures.	11 42
MDPVersionDate	This is the date ∧ time stamp the participantParticipant system has assigned to the data record.  It is the date ∧ time the metering data was loaded into the MDP's system.  The date & time and must be in thethis format:  yyyymmddhhmmss	20010714083045
FromDate	-The first day of the readingMeter Reading period, in thethis format of:  Yyyymmdd  yyymmdd  Time is taken to be at 00:00 hours on the start day of the readingMeter Reading period.	20010501
ToDate	The last day of the reading period, in the this format of: yyyymmdd It is assumed to be taken at 23.59 hours	20010731
Status	The quality flag of the metering data, which can be:  A (Actual);  E (Estimated);  S (Substituted); or  F (Final Substitutions)  Refer metrology procedures Metrology Procedure: Part B for further detail on quality flags.	A, E, S, or F
Reading	This is the actual consumption value in kWh for the time period supplied (FromDate to the ToDate).  In effect: Meter readingReading at (ToDate – FromDate) = Consumption Readingconsumption reading.  All values must be inclusive of meter mulitpliers, therefore all consumption values and readingsMeter Readings issued are multiplier adjusted.	1398.667



Below Figure 3 is an example of the Transaction Information of an aseXML file used in the loading of Consumption Data.consumption data. Note the information components included next to the <CSVConsumptionData> section:

```
<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<ase:aseXML xmlns:ase="urn:aseXML:r25" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-
instance" xsi:schemaLocation="urn:aseXML:r25
http://www.aemo.com.au/aseXML/schemas/r25/aseXML_r25.xsd">
       <Header>
              <From>MDA1</From>
              <To>NEMMCO</To>
              <MessageID>MDA1-MSG-34567856</messageID>
              <MessageDate>2009-10-31T13:20:10.100+10:00
              <TransactionGroup>MDMT</TransactionGroup>
              <Priority>Low</Priority>
              <SecurityContext>zz023</SecurityContext>
              <Market>NEM</Market>
       <Transactions>
              <Transaction transactionID="MDA1-TNS-12343456" transactionDate="2009-10-</p>
31T13:20:10.090+10:00">
                     <MeterDataNotification version="r25">
       <CSVConsumptionData>NMI,Suffix,MDPVersionDate,FromDate,ToDate,Status,Reading
1234567890,A1,20091010143542,20090415,20090714,E,3.245
1234567890,A2,20091010143542,20090415,20090714,A,.446</CSVConsumptionData>
                     </MeterDataNotification>
              </Transaction>
  </Transactions>
</ase:aseXML>
```

FIGURE 3: XML TRANSACTION INFORMATION



#### 3.7 CSV Interval Data

```
<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<ase:aseXML xmlns:ase="urn:aseXML:r25" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-
instance" xsi:schemaLocation="urn:aseXML:r25
http://www.aemo.com.au/aseXML/schemas/r25/aseXML_r25.xsd">
       <Header>
              <From>MDA1</From>
              <To>NEMMCO</To>
              <MessageID>MDA1-MSG-34567856// WessageID>
              <MessageDate>2009-10-31T13:20:10.100+10:00
              <TransactionGroup>MDMT</TransactionGroup>
              <Priority>Low</Priority>
              <SecurityContext>zz023</SecurityContext>
              <Market>NEM</Market>
       </Header>
       <Transactions>
              <Transaction transactionID="MDA1-TNS-12343456" transactionDate="2009-10-</p>
31T13:20:10.090+10:00">
                     <MeterDataNotification version="r25">
       <CSVConsumptionData>NMI,Suffix,MDPVersionDate,FromDate,ToDate,Status,Reading
1234567890,A1,20091010143542,20090415,20090714,E,3.245
1234567890,A2,20091010143542,20090415,20090714,A,.446</CSVConsumptionData>
                     </MeterDataNotification>
              </Transaction>
  </Transactions>
</ase:aseXML>
```

#### Figure 3 XML Transaction Information

# 3.7 CSVIntervalData

CSVIntervalData is used when loading *metering data* for data streams Datastreams listed in MSATS with a type of "I" (Interval) which is for meter the following metering installations of:

- COMMS 1 to 4 (meter type 1 through to 4);
- COMMS4D (whole current *metering* installation installations that meets meet the minimum services specifications specification;
- COMMS4C (CT connected *metering installationinstallations* that <u>meetsmeet</u> the *minimum services* <u>specificationsspecification</u>);
- MRAM (small customer metering installationinstallations Type 4A), VICAMI;
- MRIM (Manually Read Interval Meter or meter type 5);
- SAMPLE;
- PROF; and
- UMCP (unmetered supply or type 7).

The meter readings Meter Readings will be broken down into 48 intervals of 30 minute-data.

Each component of the CSVIntervalData listed in the following table (5) Table 3 should be separated by commas in the XML file.

For CSVIntervalData delivered to AEMO (MSATS)<sub>1,1</sub> the suffix detail must conform to AEMO's "National Metering Identifierwith the NMI Procedure (NMI)", for NMI for interval metering data. The Suffix value provided in the MDM CSVIntervalData file must be identical to the datstream Datastream value entered into the MSATS CATS\_NMI\_DataStream table for the connection point identified by the NMI. NMI.



suffix identifier for *interval metering data* (e.g. **N1**) is a <u>Netnet</u> value for the contributing import and export *interval metering data* flows for the <u>interval meter\_Interval Meter</u> concerned. The <u>Netnet</u> value for CSVIntervalData delivered to <u>AEMO (MSATS)</u>, being as follows:

- (a) Where the *metering data* is in sub-<u>i</u>ntervals of 30 minutes, the *metering data* must be aggregated to 30-minute intervals before delivery; and
- (b) Where the *metering data* collected-comprises separate export and import *data*streamsDatastreams, the respective export and import intervals must be aggregated E B flows to provide the NET 'N' value. (Note: the net *energy* for an activea Generator is generally negative).

Table 3 Table 5: Summary of Data Delivery

	DELIVERY TO ENTITLED <i>PARTICIPANT</i> I.E. LNSP, NSP2, LR, FRMP	DELIVERY TO AEMO
Data Type	NMI data stream Datastream (e.g. E1, B1)  Deliver validated Validated interval metering data including any substitutions Substitutions and estimations Estimations.	NET value NMI data stream Datastream (e.g. N1 = E1 - B1)  Deliver validated metering data including any substitutions and estimations Estimations as net energy aggregated to 30 minutes.
File Format	'MDFF' Meter Data File Format.MDFF	'MDM' AEMO aseXML data file format.
Delivery Point	To the Registered Participants via B2B e-Hub inbox	To the <i>Metering Data Provider's</i> MDP's MSATS inbox



#### **TABLE 6: CSV INTERVAL DATA**

#### Table 4 CSVIntervalData

Table 4 CSVIntervalData				
Field Name	Field Format	Example		
NMI	The NMI-(National Metering Identifier), which identifies the connection point. It consists of 10 alphanumeric characters.	8105157686 8166755454 VSSSS00001		
Suffix	The NMI Suffixsuffix. This is the suffix for the data stream Datastream as defined in CATS (section 4.11.2).	N1 N2		
MDPVersionDate	This is the date ∧ time stamp the participant system assigned to the data record.  It is the date ∧ time the metering data was loaded into the MDP's system.  The date & time, which must be in thethis format: yyyymmddhhmmss	20010714083045		
SettlementDate	The date which the reading relates to ie: it is, the readMeter Reading date.  This, which must be in thethis format:  Yyyymmdd	20010724		
Status	Status of the Meter_Reading. A status will need to be included for each 30minute interval value (therefore there could be 48 'A' characters included for each data stream_Datastream).  Valid values are: A (Actual); E (Estimated); S (Substituted); or F (Final Substitutions)  Refer metrology procedures Metrology Procedure: Part B for further detail on quality flags.	AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA		
Period 1 – 48	The consumption (in kWh) for each of the 30minute interval readingMeter Reading periods, each. Each consumption record must be separated with a comma.	P1,P2,P3,P4,P5,P6,P7,P8,P9, P10,P11,P12,P13,P14,P15,P1 6,P17,P18,P19,P20,P21,P22, P23,P24,P25,P26,P27,P28,P2 9,P30,P31,P32,P33,P34,P35, P36,P37,P38,P39,P40,P41,P4 2,P43,P44,P45,P46,P47,P48,		
DCTC <sup>1</sup>	Populate with the Meter Data Collection Type Code allocated for Metering Installation Type Code <sup>2</sup> associated with the metering data. Populate the Data Collection Type Code in accordance with section 3.9.	COMMS, COMMS4D, COMMS4C, MRIM, PROF, SAMPLE, MRAM VICAMI, UMCP.		

Below Figure 4 is an example of the Transaction Information transaction information for a XML file used in the loading of Interval Data. <u>interval metering data.</u> Note the information components included next to the <CSVIntervalData> section:

¹DCTC code to be an included part of the CSV Interval Data File from 25<sup>th</sup> November 2009 with release of version r25 schema, (part of the MSATS 46.74 build implementation). MSATS will accept MDM files complying with all schema versions up to 26 May 2010, after which MSATS will reject any MDM files not compliant to r25 schema version. Refer table 7. Data Collection Type Code.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>-Metering Installation Type Codes are defined in Section 4.12 of the MSATS Procedures: CATS



```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<ase:aseXML xmlns:ase="urn:aseXML:r25" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-
instance" xsi:schemaLocation="urn:aseXML:r25
http://www.aemo.com.au/aseXML/schemas/r25/aseXML_r25.xsd">
               <Header>
                               <From>MDA1</From>
                               <To>NEMMCO</To>
                               <MessageID>MDA1-MSG-34567856</messageID>
                               <MessageDate>2009-10-31T13:20:10.100+10:00
                               <TransactionGroup>MDMT</TransactionGroup>
                               <Priority>Low</Priority>
                               <SecurityContext>zz023</SecurityContext>
                               <Market>NEM</Market>
                </Header>
    <Transactions>
                                <Transaction transactionID="MDA1-TNS-12343456" transactionDate="2009-10-</p>
31T13:20:10.090+10:00">
                                               <MeterDataNotification version="r25">
                                                < CSVInterval Data
Name="Interval">NMI,Suffix,MDPVersionDate,SettlementDate,Status,Period01,Period02,Period03,Pe
riod04, Period05, Period06, Period07, Period08, Period09, Period10, Period11, Period12, Period13, Period1
4. Period 15. Period 16, Period 17, Period 18, Period 19, Period 20, Period 21, Period 22, Period 23, Period 24, Period 24, Period 25, Period 26, Period
riod25, Period26, Period27, Period28, Period29, Period30, Period31, Period32, Period33, Period34, Period3
5, Period36, Period37, Period38, Period39, Period40, Period41, Period42, Period43, Period44, Period45, Pe
riod46,Period47,Period48,DCTC
AAAAAAAAAAAA,3.422,3.825,4.163,3.456,3.979,3.401,3.567,3.556,3.948,3.732,3.743,3.898,3.859,3.
899,3.749,3.396,3.685,3.827,3.448,3.562,3.949,3.465,3.462,3.618,3.699,3.838,3.68,4.158,3.705,4.14
9,3.633,3.514,4.022,4.077,3.916,3.501,3.429,3.796,3.645,3.695,4.079,3.36,3.962,3.432,3.852,3.965,
3.412, 4.002, COMMS</CSVIntervalData>
                                               </MeterDataNotification>
                               </Transaction>
                 </Transactions>
</ase:aseXML>
```

Figure 4 FIGURE 4: XML Transaction information

## 3.8 CSV Profile Data

Please refer to **Section 3.7 – CSV Interval Data** for the format of profile data . The only difference relates to the CSV Data typeCSVProfileData differs from CSVIntervalData in the aseXML transaction information, which reads <CSVProfileData>, rather than <CSVIntervalData> see section 3.5, table 2. CSVProfileData is currently used for sample meters (meter installation codesMetering Installation Type Codes of Sample or COMMS4) to supply profile data for the control load Controlled Load profile calculation process in the relevant jurisdictions.

# 3.9 Data Collection Type Codes

The Data Collection Type Codes (DCTC) used within the MDM interval metering data file must be the DCTC that has been allocated for referred to in Table 4 are the Metering Installation Type Code<sup>3</sup> associated with the metering data. in all but one case. The table below provides only exception is where a list of applicable DCTCs and corresponding Metering Installation Type Codes: Code for a metering installation is a COMMS1, COMMS2, COMMS3 or COMMS4. The equivalent DCTC is COMMS. See table 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>-Metering Installation Type Codes are defined in Section 4.12 of the MSATS Procedures: CATS



#### Table 5 DCTC Code – Metering Installation Type Code Mapping

DCTC Code	Metering Installation Type Code
<u>COMMS</u>	COMMS1, COMMS2, COMMS3, COMMS4
COMMS4D	COMMS4D
COMMS4C	COMMS4C
<u>MRIM</u>	MRIM
PROF	PROF
SAMPLE	SAMPLE
MRAM	MRAM
<u>VICAMI</u>	VICAMI
<u>UMCP</u>	<u>UMCP</u>

The inclusion of the DCTC field within the MDM interval metering data files delivered to AEMO becomes a requirement from 25 November 2009 with the release of schema version r25. The inclusion of the DCTC field to be as follows:

The DCTC code shallRules governing the use DCTC codes are:

- (a) <u>It must</u> be a maximum of eight characters in length.
  - (b) Additional DCTC codes may be added to this list in the future to support other market developments. -
  - (c) AEMO system will accept MDM interval metering data files compliant to all MDM schema file versions for a period of six months post the implementation of schema version r25 as part of of MSATS Build 46.74 scheduled for 25 November 2009.
- (d) After the 26 May 2010, all MDM interval metering files delivered to AEMO must comply with the required r25 schema syntax.
- (e)(b) MSATS will not validate the DCTC fieldcode against previous file history for the NMI.

#### **TABLE 7: SCHEMA VERSION FIELD REQUIREMENTS**

Table 4 Table 6 For the period up to 26 May 2010, valid combinations Valid Combinations of Schema and Transaction Versions are:

Schema Version	Transaction Version	Interval	Profile	Consumption
<del>r7</del>	r4	no DCTC field required	no DCTC field required	no DCTC field required
r <del>9</del>	r <del>9</del>	no DCTC field required	no DCTC field required	no DCTC field required
<del>r10</del>	<del>r9</del>	no DCTC field required	no DCTC field required	no DCTC field required
<del>r22</del>	<del>r19</del>	no DCTC field required	no DCTC field required	no DCTC field required
<del>r25</del>	<del>r25</del>	DCTC field optional	DCTC field optional	no DCTC field required

For the period from 26 May 2010 onwards, valid combinations of Schema and Transaction Versions are:



Schema Version	Transaction Version	Interval	Profile	Consumption
r25	r25	DCTC field required	DCTC field required	no DCTC field required

#### <MeterDataNotification version="r25">

#### < CSVInterval Data

Name="Interval">NMI,Suffix,MDPVersionDate,SettlementDate,Status,Period01,Period02,Period03,Period04,Period05,Period06,Period07,Period08,Period09,Period10,Period11,Period12,Period13,Period14,Period15,Period16,Period17,Period18,Period19,Period20,Period21,Period22,Period23,Period24,Period25,Period26,Period27,Period28,Period29,Period30,Period31,Period32,Period33,Period34,Period35,Period36,Period37,Period39,Period39,Period40,Period41,Period42,Period43,Period44,Period45,Period46,Period47,Period48,DCTC

#### FIGURE 5

#### <MeterDataNotification version="r25">

#### < CSVInterval Data

Name="Interval">NMI,Suffix,MDPVersionDate,SettlementDate,Status,Period01,Period02,Period03,Period04,Period05,Period06,Period07,Period08,Period09,Period10,Period11,Period12,Period13,Period14,Period15,Period16,Period17,Period18,Period19,Period20,Period21,Period22,Period23,Period24,Period25,Period26,Period27,Period28,Period29,Period30,Period31,Period32,Period33,Period34,Period35,Period36,Period37,Period38,Period39,Period40,Period41,Period42,Period43,Period44,Period45,Period46,Period47,Period48,DCTC

# Figure 2 Figure 5 Example (MDM) Meter Metering Data File with DCTC

#### 3.10 File Format

Once all the information in the aseXML file is correct the file, it must be saved and converted into a .zip file. The .zip file must have a name that conforms to the following standard.

# **Table 8: file format**

# Table 7 Zip File Format

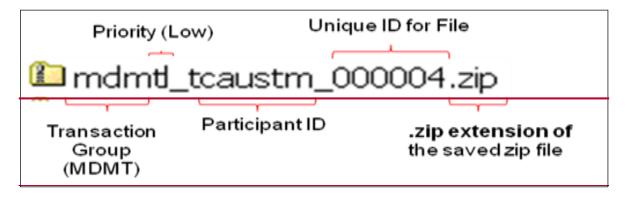
Field Name	Field Format	Example
Transaction Group	In the case of MDM Transactionstransactions, the transaction group will be "mdmt". 'mdmt'.	4 Alphanumeric
Priority	h = High m = Medium l = Low  Messages within each priority group are processed in last modified order. The priority for metermetering data transactions is I.	1 Character
Unique ID	Unique ID that can be generated by Participant systems. The first part may be the Participant ID.	30 Alphanumeric characters



Field Name	Field Format	Example
Extension	The Data file ( <b>XML</b> -wrapped CSV file) should be saved as <b>.zip file</b> .  The .zip extension is the only extension recognised by MSATS.  Once recognised the batchhandlerbatch handler will pick up and process the file.	3 characters



An example of a filename (once zipped) is shown below:



**FIGURE 6: FILENAME EXAMPLE** 

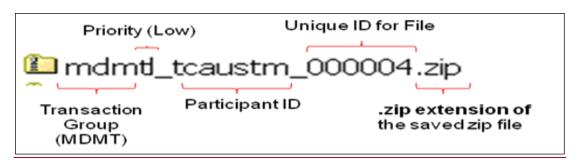


Figure 6 Filename Example

## 3.11 Data Load of Metering Data Files via the Browser (Interactive Upload)

Once set up with an appropriate MSATS login ID and password, thean MDP participant will then be able to import metering data using the 'File UpleadUpload' screen (or 'Participant InboxInbox').

MDPs that have a limited amount of files to process can elect to use the Browser interface; however it is highly recommended that larger MDPs implement automated batch interface processes. The browser interface should also be considered as an emergency option for delivery of *metering data* inif the event of a batch processing system failurefails.

The browser interface allows an MDP to interactively manage theirits file transfer activities. MDPs will be able to view, upload, and delete files from their 'Participant Inbox', and read any acknowledgments from their 'Participant OutboxOutbox'.

#### **Important Note:**

In order for an MDP to To use the Browser browser interface to deliver metering data into the to MSATS database, they, MDPs must be set up with the following access rights in the system:

- (a) Active Participant ID
- (b) Full access to the 'Participant Mailbox Mailbox' entity (Inbox, Outbox' inbox', 'Outbox' and Archive' Archive')
- (c) Active User ID & Passwordpassword
- (d) Ensure that the UserID identified in the SecurityContext has been assigned a Rightright that will allow access to the appropriate MSATS batch procedures.

To import metering data interactively using the Browser Interface browser interface:

1. Log onto the MSATS Browserbrowser with appropriate access rights.



2. From the 'Data Load ImportImport' menu select the 'Participant Inbox submenu-Inbox' sub-menu option on the MSATS menu bar.

▼ Data Load Import

Participant Inbox Participant Outbox Participant Archive



The following screen will display in the main window-:



3. To import data into MSATS click on the <a href="Upload">Upload</a> hyperlink above the 'File <a href="SizeSize">Size</a> column.



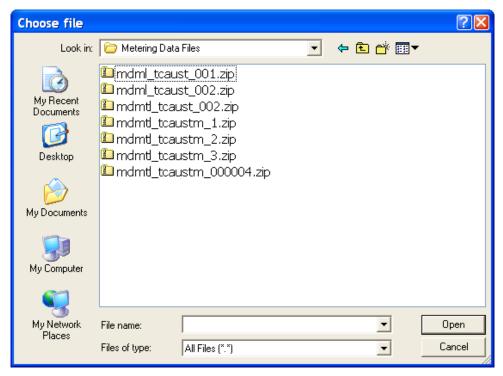
4. The following screen will display in the main window.



## Note: File Upload

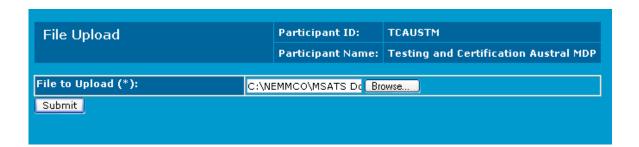
- (a) Using this screen the MDP will have the ability to can select one of their data files to import into the MSATS database.
- (b) The <u>userMDP</u> can either enter the path to the file directly in the text field, or use the <u>BROWSE'Browse'</u> button to open the standard navigator type interface.
- 5. To select a file to import click on the Browse... button. A CHOOSE FILE 'Choose File' window should now appear.
- 6. The CHOOSE FILE 'Choose File' window will allow the user to browse through their local network to select the relevant file to import.





#### Note:

- (a) Once you have found the file you wish to import, highlight it in the window and click on the line button. (Alternatively you can double-click on the file to attach.)
- (b) Ensure you select the zipped version of your data file. The MSATS batch handlers that pickuppick up and process these files will only identify those files with a '.zip' extension.
- 7. The <u>'File Upload'</u> screen will now appear, and the <u>'File to Upload'</u> field will be populated with the location details of the file you just selected.



8. To import the file click on the Submit button. MSATS will now attempt to upload the file.

#### Note:

- (a) The time taken to upload a file will vary depending on the size of the file, and the speed of the connection.
- (b) When uploading via the <u>Browserbrowser</u> interface the size of the file to be uploaded (before compression into a .zip file) is limited to a maximum of 1MB.
- (c) The action of clicking <u>Submit'Submit'</u> will place the .zip file into the <u>'Participant InboxInbox'</u> directory.

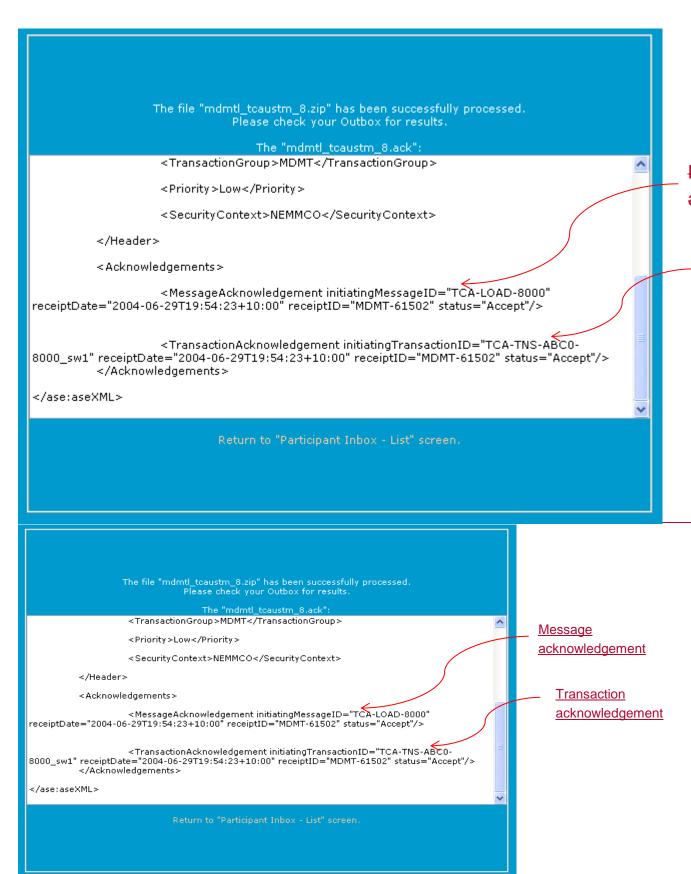


- (d) MSATS will then process the .zip file and create an acknowledgment file in the Participant Outbox.
- 9. During this initial upload, MSATS will perform <u>1sta first</u> level validation on the aseXML file. MSATS will ensure that the following information is correct:
  - (a) the The UserID nominated in the SecurityContext element of the message is permitted to perform the type of batch transaction being submitted (MDM Meter Data metering data batch entity).
  - (b) the The XML is well formed (i.e. that it meets the rules defined for writing XML).
  - (c) the The file is valid according to the rules specified in the aseXML schema.
  - (d) the The schema and transaction versions are supported by MSATS.
  - (e) the The TransactionID has not previously been submitted.
  - (f) the The file size does not exceed the 1MB unzipped limit.
- 10. After completing the first level validation, MSATS will display the submitted information and the results of the validation in the form of an acknowledgement or .ack file.

#### Note:

- (a) If the validation can be completed immediately, the message is displayed on the screen.
- (b) If MSATS is able to<u>can</u> load the data in the message, the acknowledgment screen will display an XML transaction that acknowledges the status of the message as a whole and of the transaction in the message.
- (c) An example of the acknowledgement is as follows:





- (d) That there is both a message acknowledgement and a transaction acknowledgement.
- (e) There is only ever one message acknowledgement per batch file.



- (f) Depending on the number of transactions in the message there could be multiple transaction acknowledgements.
- (g) For this transaction group, there will only be one transaction in a message, but the message can consist of many rows.
- (h) A transaction can contain consumption or interval .csv data, but not both.
- (i) Messages and transactions that pass the validation have a status of 'Accept'. \_Messages and transactions that fail the validations have a status of 'Reject'.
- (j) It is possible that for the message mayto be accepted but not the transaction. This would be the case if, for example, the message is well formed, the header details are correct but the nominated user did not have the rights to perform this specific transaction within the Transactions element
- (k) Once the .zip file message (data file) has been uploaded it will remain in the 'Participant InbexInbox' until MSATS has processed it. Once processed, an .ack file will be placed in the corresponding 'Participant OutboxOutbox'. Once the .ack file has been read and processed by the MDP's system, the original .zip file will need to be deleted from the 'Participant InbexInbox' following which MSATS will delete the .ack file.
- 11. If *metering data* that was successfully loaded from the .xml file (i.e. the transaction had an Accept'Accept' message), the .csv data will undergo a 2ndsecond level functional validation. Once this 2nd level processing is complete MSATS will generate a message containing a 'Meter Data Response transaction and place it into the MDP's 'Participant Outbox' in a .zip file. The second level validation consists of the following:
  - (a) the MDP (Participant ID) submitting the data is correct based on the MDP of record in MSATS for all *NMIs* and all intervals and periods of *metering data* submitted;
  - (b) the NMI data stream Datastream, as identified by the suffix has a Data stream Datastream Status Code of 'A' (Active) for the period of data provided; and
  - (b)(c) that the start and end dates of the data record being validated do not overlap any existing records in such a way that the new record would replace only part of the period covered by an existing record. (See section 3 on validation).

#### Note:

If a consumption data file contains multiple <code>readsMeter Readings</code> for the same <code>NMI</code> and suffix they will be validated to see if they would form a 'virtual single read' or 'meta-read'. The file is checked to see if all data periods considered together will represent a continuous period of time – i.e. one <code>read'sMeter Reading's</code> end date must be the day before the next one's start date). Multiple <code>readsMeter Readings</code> that form a 'meta-read' are, for the remainder of the validations, treated as a single <code>read-Meter Readings</code>. If the 'meta-readread' fails any of the other validations, the group of <code>readsMeter Readings</code> are not loaded. Each of the individual <code>readsMeter Readings</code>, however, are then validated independently and loaded if they pass the validation. If the 'meta-readread' passes all of the other validations, <code>then-each</code> of the individual <code>readsMeter Readings</code> that make the virtual <code>readMeter Reading</code> will be loaded as separate records.

12. Navigate to the 'Participant Outbox – ListList' screen.

There is one 'Meter Data Response, Response' in the form of an .xml message in a .zip file, for each 'Meter Data Notification' transaction in the original file. Given that currently MSATS only allows one 'Meter Data Notification' transaction per file, this means that there will be one 'Meter Data Response Response' file for each file that was loaded. Each response file will appear in the Participant Outbox. The filename of the response appears in the format of:

(a) Transaction Group & Priority = mdmtl

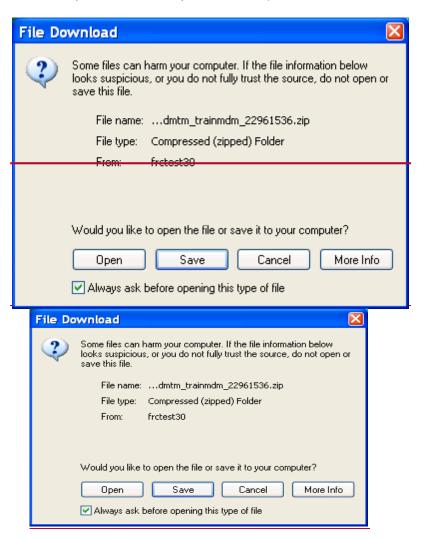


- (b) Underscore = \_
- (c) User ID = <participantid>batch
- (d) Underscore = \_
- (e) Unique Message ID = e.g. 22899696



Participants can then click on the <u>'File NameName'</u> hyperlink to view the <u>meter data</u> response' Meter Data Response' file, which contains details of <del>2nd</del>second level processing.

13. To view the 'Meter Data Response' message, click on the 'File Name' hyperlink. You may then be asked if you wish to "Open the file" or "Save it to your computer".computer.



Select the option that best suits the needs of your organisation. (This message may or may not appear depending on your Windows settings for opening files with a .zip extension.)



14. You should save the file if you wish to keep a permanent copy. I may want to open it first, the process which is described in these steps. Click the .zip file.

You will now be able to see the .xml file inside the .zip file.

15. Once the .zip file is opened (either immediately or later after you've downloaded it), you then need to open the .xml file contained in the .zip file so you can read its contents.

Depending on the application you use to open compressed files and your Windows settings, either singleclick the file name (if it's underlined) or double-click the file name to open it.

The file will be opened in whatever application you have associated with .xml files. In the examples in this documentation, it is Internet Explorer.

FollowingFigure 7 is an example of a 'Meter Data Response Response' message:

```
<?xml version="1.0" ?>
<ase:aseXML xmlns:ase="urn:aseXML:r25" xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-
instance" xsi:schemaLocation="urn:aseXML:r25
http://www.aemo.com.au/aseXML/schemas/r25/aseXML r25.xsd">
                       <Header>
                                               <From>MDA1</From>
                                               <To>NEMMCO</To>
                                               <MessageID>MDA1-MSG-34567856// In the state of the state of
                                               <MessageDate>2009-10-31T13:20:10.100+10:00
                                               <TransactionGroup>MDMT</TransactionGroup>
                                               <Priority>Medium</Priority>
                                               <SecurityContext>zz023</SecurityContext>
                                               <Market>NEM</Market>
                       </Header>
                       <Transactions>
                                               <Transaction transactionID="MDMT-TNS-12343456" transactionDate="2009-10-</p>
31T13:20:10.090+10:00"
   initiatingTransactionID="MDA1-TNS-12343456">
                                                                        <MeterDataResponse version="r6">
                                                                       <ActivityID>67856</ActivityID>
                                                                       <AcceptedCount>1</AcceptedCount>
                                                                       <LoadDate>2009-11-29T19:52:50+10:00</LoadDate>
                                                                        </MeterDataResponse>
                                               </Transaction>
                        </Transactions>
</ase:aseXML>
```

#### FIGURE 7: XML RESPONSE MESSAGE FORMAT

#### Figure 7 XML Response Message Format

Note: version"r6" version'r6' is correct for this response report under the r25 schema

The ActivityID' ActivityID' is a unique ID assigned by MSATS which is used for internal MDM processing.

The numeric part of the <u>MessagelD'MessagelD'</u> and the <u>TransactionlD'TransactionlD'</u> matches the numeric part of the .zip file name.

The end of the first line in the Transactions' Transactions' element contains the initiating TransactionID.



<u>'TransactionID'.</u> This is the <u>TransactionID'</u> that was supplied by the MDP in the <u>MeterDataNotification' MeterDataNotification'</u> transaction. This identifier is the key piece of information for identifying which original transaction this response refers to.

The value in the AcceptedCount'AcceptedCount' element is the number of rows that were accepted (i.e. loaded) and LoadDate' is the date and time MSATS loaded the accepted data.

The code within the **Event**' element(s) contains the outcome of the validations.

A code of '0' means that all of the data was successfully loaded.



If any errors are encountered, then summary information about each failed readMeter Reading is displayed in an Event'Event' element (i.e. one Event'Event' element for each failed readMeter Reading). Thus, the AcceptedCount'AcceptedCount' plus the number of error events should equal the number of reads submitted.

In the example that follows, there are two rejected reads.

The four digit code in the <u>Code'Code'</u> element is an error code. Error code 1089 represents the error 'There is a record in the system that overlaps this record with a <u>'Version <del>Date Date'</del></u> that is after or equal to the <u>'Version <del>Date Date'</del></u> of this record.' Error code 1099 represents the error 'Read failed as part of Meta-read'.

A full list of error codes and descriptions are available <u>fromin</u> MSATS. The list of error codes is found under <u>'</u>Administration/Codes Maintenance/Error <u>CodesCodes'</u> or via a C1 report the on <u>'</u>Error <u>CodesCodes'</u> table.

The KeyInfo'KeyInfo' element contains the row number. Note that the first row number that contains metering data is row 2. Row 1 contains the column headings.

The Context' Context' element contains each of the following, separated by commas.

- (a) NMI
- (b) Data stream
  - (b) Datastream
  - (c) Start Date
  - (d) MDP Version Date Time.



# 3.12 Data Load of Metering Data Files via the Batch Process (Direct Loading)

MDPs will<u>can</u> also have the ability to deliver data files into MSATS using the batch process. This would involve placing the aseXML data file directly into the 'Participant InbexInbox' directory onat the appropriate AEMO network location.

The information to be included in the aseXML file is identical to that which is detailed in section 3.3. at the beginning of section 2 — Process of Loading Metering Data.3.

#### To load data directly:

- 1. Create the aseXML metering data file and save it as a zip file (ensure the file is saved according to AEMO aseXML standards and that the file is under 1MB before it is compressed into a .zip file).
- 2. The file should be loaded into the appropriate 'Participant InbexInbox' with an extension of .tmp (this is to ensure the system does not attempt to process a partially loaded file).
- Once loaded rename the file to have its correct extension (i.e. change the name from XXX.tmp to —XXX.zip).
- The MSATS batch handlers will detect this .zip file in the INBOX directory and perform 1st Level a first level validation.
  - (a) —MSATS will produce an acknowledgment file (.ack) and will-place it in the OUTBOX 'Outbox' directory.
  - (b) —This .ack file will contain the results of 1st Levelthe first level validation.
  - (c) —Having received the .ack file, you need to delete the .zip file from your <a href="Inbox">Inbox</a>'Inbox'.</a>
  - (d) —MSATS will detect that the .zip file has been deleted and delete the .ack file from the Outbox'Outbox'.
- 5. Assuming that the acknowledgment indicated that the transaction passed the <u>1stfirst</u> level validations, the data loaded from the file will now undergo <u>2ndsecond</u> level validation processing.
  - On completion of <a href="mailto:2ndsecond">2ndsecond</a> level validation processing, a message containing a <a href="mailto:Meter Data Response">Mesponse</a> ransaction (in a .zip file) will appear in the MDP's <a href="mailto:Participant Outbox">Participant Outbox</a> directory.
- 6. This file is identical to the one you would receive if you submitted the file containing the metering data using the Browserbrowser. You can either:
  - (a) —Follow the steps for "Data Load of Metering Data Files via the Browser (Interactive Upload)", Browser, beginning at step 12 to view and acknowledge the message using the Browserbrowser; or
  - (b) Copy the file from the <u>'Participant Outbox'</u> folder to your own system and then write an .ack file in your <u>'Participant InboxInbox'</u> folder to acknowledge its receipt. MSATS will then delete the original.



#### 4. FILE VALIDATION

# 4.1 Principles

Validation of single reads<u>Meter Readings</u> is based on alignment with overlapping start and end dates of existing records as well as on the MDP <u>Versionversion</u> date and time. Exceptions are where the existing overlapping read<u>Meter Reading</u> is a <u>forward estimate</u>.

Initial validations undertaken in CATS (before it is accepted by the MDMs):

- (a) Data streams Datastreams are active. For non—interval Datastreams, this includes for the duration of the readMeter Readings.
- (b) The MDP must be the 'current/active' Current MDP on the 'To Date Date' for a non-interval read Meter Reading and the 'Read Date' if it is interval/profile data.
- (b)(c) The TNI is assigned to a profile area Profile Area.
- (c)(d) There are no duplicate readsMeter Readings within the input file (NMI, data streamDatastream, start date, or readMeter Reading date if interval date) If there is a duplicate record the first record is accepted and following records are rejected.
- (d)(e) Validation of start (1000 days from submit date) and end date (1000 days from submit date) for a non-interval read. Meter Reading. For an interval/profile read Meter Reading the read date must be no more than 1000 days before the submit date or 1000 days into the future.

#### 4.2 Validation of MDPVersionDT

For Intervalinterval and non-interval readsMeter Readings:

- (a) The load of any new metermetering data records into MSATS, which are to replace existing metermetering data records for a NMI-/ datastream/Datastream, will be validated for MDPVersionDT' where the MDP participant ID is the same for both readsMeter Readings supplied. The MDPVersionDT'MDPVersionDT' for the new data record must be greater than, the MDPVersionDT'MDPVersionDT' of the existing record in MDM.
- (b) The load of new data records into MSATS which are to replace existing metermetering data records for a NMI-/ datstream/Datastream where the existing data record was supplied by a different MDP participantParticipant ID will be accepted. No validation is undertaken against MDPVersionDT MDPVersionDT in this situation.

A separate error code exists for the situation where the MDPVersionDT' is the same – to distinguish from those where the MDPVersionDT' MDPVersionDT' is less than the record existing in MDM.

For 'meta-readsreads', the maximum MDPVersionDT' MDPVersionDT' of the 'meta-readread' is used (i.e. the maximum of the MDPVersionDT' MDPVersionDT' of all the individual records that make up the 'meta-readread'). This is then compared with the maximum MDPVersionDT' MDPVersionDT' of all of the overlapping existing records in MDM in the 'meta-readread' start and end date range. This could allow some of the rows in the 'meta-readread' to replace records in MDM that have a later MDPVersionDT', but as the incoming metermetering data file is created from the MDPsMDP's metering data base, then database, all the records in the incoming file should be the latest, if one or more of them has a later MDPVersionDT'MDPVersionDT' than that exists in MDM.



# 4.3 Validation of Start and End dates of reads (Including meta-reads)

The process of the validation of start and end dates of basic meter read Accumulation Meter Reading records in a single transaction will be as follows:

- (a) Sort the reads Meter Readings in start date order.
- (b) Create a 'meta-readread', which consist of all records that align with each other, and use the start date and the end date of the 'meta-readread' for validation (e.g. two readsMeter Readings one 1/3 to 31/3, one 1/4 to 30/4, meta-read 1/3 to 30/4) (Overlapped new readsMeter Readings will not form 'meta-readsreads' since their dates do not align and will be validated as single readsMeter Readings, each in turn).
- (c) The start and end dates of the 'meta-read'read' (which may be a single readMeter Reading) must either align with existing valid current readsMeter Readings or fall in periods where there is no current readMeter Reading this allows the new 'meta-read'read' to fill in gaps in readsMeter Readings.
  - Forward
- (d) Estimate Test: Existing forward estimates [stimates] (read type flag = 'E') are not considered in the start and end date validation process of new reads [Meter Readings] (regardless of whether the new read [Meter Reading] is a forward estimate or not an Estimated Meter Reading).
  - Data stream
- (e) <u>Datastream</u> Inactive Test: Existing <u>readsMeter Readings</u> that span periods that the <u>datastream Datastream</u> is now inactive (due to retrospective changes) are also not considered in the start and end date validation process of new <u>readsMeter Readings</u> (these existing <u>readsMeter Readings</u> are now effectively invalid due to the <u>readMeter Reading</u> spanning an inactive period).
- (f) If a 'meta-read' read' fails validation, then each component read Meter Reading of the 'meta-read' is considered separately with the above validations.

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<u>Note:</u> the <u>Forward-Estimate Test</u> and the <u>data stream Datastream</u> Inactive Test are performed against existing <u>readsMeter Readings</u> to determine whether <u>these existing readsthey</u> are eligible for use in the start and end date tests. <u>MDPVersionDT'MDPVersionDT'</u> validation is still undertaken.

#### 4.4 MSATS Data File Validations

All submitted <u>'Meter Data Notification'</u> data files must pass the following MSATS validations before they are accepted and loaded into the MSATS system.

## 4.4.1 Interval Data

#### **TABLE 9: INTERVAL DATA INFORMATION**

#### <u>Table 8 Interval Data Information</u>

Term	Description
Submitting MDP	MDP is the <u>Current</u> MDP for the <u>readMeter Reading</u> date for that <i>NMI</i> in CATS. <u>MDP is active in CATS</u> .
NMI, NMI SUFFIX	NMI and NMI suffix must exist in CATS
Davied (Deadings)	48 numeric values within string (47 commas)
Period (Readings)	String should contain no Alphaalpha characters (i.e. 0-9, ""," and ""," only)
	No blank fields and no double commas
Status	Length of string is 48. String can only contain "A": A' - Actuals, "S": S' - Substitute, "F": F' - Final Substitute and "E": E' - Estimates.



Term	Description
Settlement Date	Valid date format
MDPVersionDT	Valid date format

#### 4.4.2 Consumption Data

#### **TABLE 10: CONSUMPTION DATA INFORMATION**

#### Table 9 Consumption Data Information

Term	Description
Submitting MDP	MDP is the <u>Current MDP</u> for that <i>NMI</i> in CATS for readthe Meter Reading period. MDP is active in CATS.
NMI, NMI SUFFIX	NMI and NMI suffix must exist in CATS
Reading	Only 1 value within string (0 commas)
	String should contain no Alphaalpha characters (i.e. 0-9, ""; and ""; only)
Status	Length of String is 1. Can only contain "A" A' - Actuals, "S" S' - Substitute, "F" F' - Final Substitute and "E" E' - Estimates.
From Date	Must be in valid date format and be between Startstart date and End Dateend date of the NMI Suffix in CATS.
To Date	Must be in valid data format and be between Startstart date and End Dateend date of the NMI Suffix in CATS.
	No blank readsfields and no double commas
MDP Version Date	Valid date format

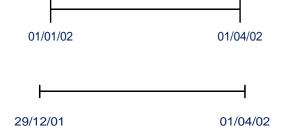
# 4.4.3 Consumption Meter Data Record date relationship examples

# A. One existing metermetering data record loaded into MDM

The following examples assume that the data stream Datastream is active for the entire period.

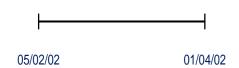


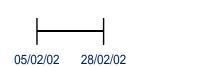
#### Scenarios in relation to Record Above



- **1.** This record **will load**, existing record archived to history.
- 2. This record will load, existing record 1 archived to history. In this case start date of new record is before start date of existing record and the end date of new record is after the end date of the existing record.





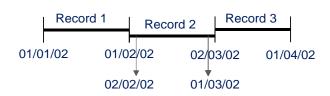


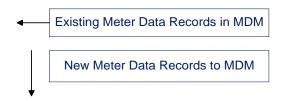
- **3.** This record **will not load** unless record 1 is a forward estimate. In this case the start date of new record is after the start date of the existing record and therefore will fail the validation.
- **4.** This record **will not load** unless record 1 is a forward estimate. In this example the start date of the new record is after the start date of existing record, the end date of the new record is before end date of existing record, and therefore will fail the validation.



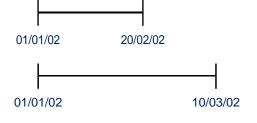
#### B. Three existing metermetering data records loaded into MDM

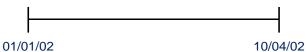
The following examples assume that the data stream Datastream is active for the entire period.

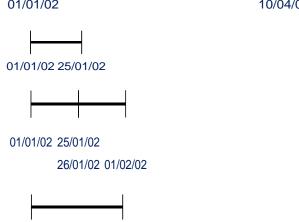




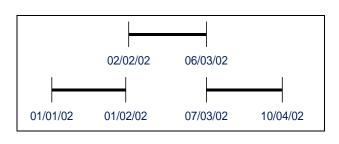
#### Scenarios in relation to Records Above

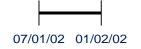






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- 5. This record **will not load** unless record 2 is a forward estimate; there is no date continuity to record 3. Data gap would result 21/2/02 1/3/02
- **6.** This record **will only load** if record 3 is a forward estimate (Record 3's read\_type\_flag = 'E'). If record 3 is forward estimate, then new record replaces previous records 1,2 and 3.
- **7.** This record **will load**, replaces previous records 1, 2 and 3.
- **8.** This record **will not load** unless record 1 is a forward estimate; there is no date alignment with Record 1. Data gap would result 26/1/02 1/2/02
- **9.** These records **will load**. If the meta-read validation fails, then each record of the meta-read will be validated separately these 2 will fail as they do not align with existing records (unless record 1 is a forward estimate then both records will load).
- **10.** This record **will load**, replaces previous record 1, if the version date is greater than existing record.
- 11. All of these records will load. New records will replace existing records 1,2 and 3. If the meta-read ill validation fails, then each record of the meta-read will be validated separately record 1 will load if it passes the MDPVersionDT test, records 2 and 3 will fail as they do not align with existing records (unless records 2 & 3 are forward estimates).
- **12.** This record **will NOT load** unless record 1 is a forward estimate an Estimate there is no start date alignment with record 1

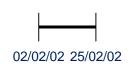




# C. Overlapping reads Meter Readings in a transaction

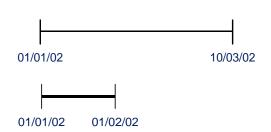


# Scenarios in relation to Existing Records Above

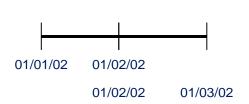


**13.** This record **will NOT load** unless record 2 is a forward estimate – there is no data continuity to replace record 2.

Data gap would result 26/2/02 - 1/3/02.



**14.** This first record **will only load** if record 3 is a forward estimate (read\_type\_flag = 'E') and its MDPVersionDT is greater than the max of MDPVersionDT of the first 2 existing records. Record 2 will **not** load as it is a duplicate record in the file, (see 3.1 Principles).

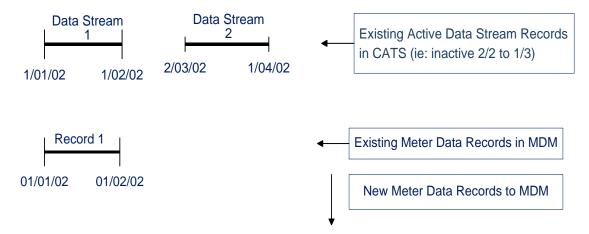


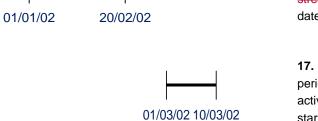
**15.** The first record **will load**, and the second record **will not load**, unless the first new read is a forward estimate and has an MDP Version ID that is less than the second record. Start and end dates are INCLUSIVE, meaning that the start of a subsequent record must be 1 day after the end date of the previous record.



### D. One existing metering data record loaded into MDM (example 1)

The following examples assume that the data stream Datastream is not active for the entire period.



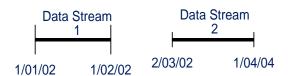


- **16.** This record **will not load**, as <del>data</del> <del>stream</del><u>Datastream</u> is not active at end date.
- **17.** This record **will not load**, as it spans period where data streamDatastream is not active (data streamDatastream not active at start date of record).

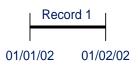


#### E. One existing metermetering data record loaded into MDM (example 2)

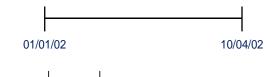
The following examples assume that the data streamDatastream is not active for the entire period.



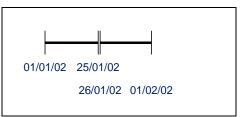
Existing Active Data Stream Records in CATS (ie: inactive 2/2 to 1/3)

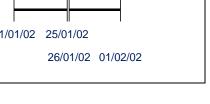


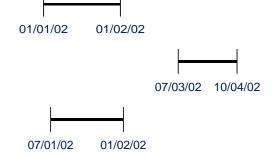














- 18. This record will not load, as it spans period where data stream Datastream is not active
- 19. This record will load if the existing record is a forward estimate an Estimate (read type flag = 'E').
- 20. These 2 records will load. New records will replace the existing record. If the 'meta-read validation' fails, then the individual records of the 'meta-readread' will be validated separately -\_records will not load as they do not align with existing meter-record.
- 21. This record will load, replaces existing record 1 if the version date is greater than existing record.
- 22. This record will load as new record does not overlap any existing record. There will be a gap in the data period where metermetering for streamDatastream is inactive and also up to 6/3/02.
- 23. This record will not load unless record 1 is a forward estimatean Estimate as new record does not align with the start date of the existing record.
- 24. This record will not load unless record 1 is a forwardan estimate as new record does not align with the start date of the existing record.
- 25. This record will not load spans period where data stream Datastream is inactive



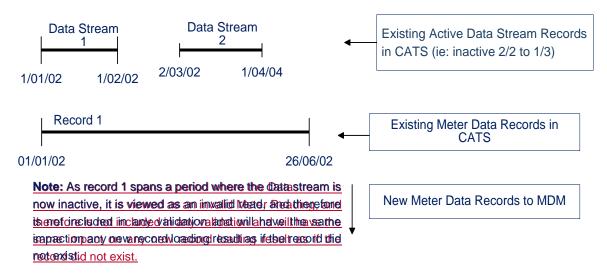


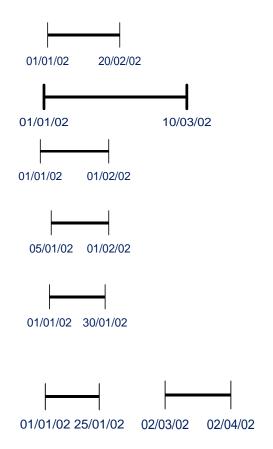
26. This record **will not load** – spans period where data stream is inactive.



## F. One existing metermetering data record loaded into MDM whichthat now spans period of inactive data stream Datastream

The following examples assume that the data stream Datastream is not active for the entire period.





- 27. This record **will not load**, as data streamDatastream is not active at end date.
- 28. This record **will not load**, as it spans period where data stream Datastream is not active
- 29. This record **will load**, existing record spanning 1/1 to 26/6 archived to history table.
- 30. This record **will load** existing record is not validated against as it is an invalid record (spans period where data stream Datastream is inactive).
- 31. This record **will load**, existing record spanning 1/1 to 26/6 archived to history table. Existing record not validated against since existing read is invalid.
- 32. Both Records **will load** even though gap exists between 25/1 and 1/2; existing record spanning 1/1 to 26/06 archived to history table. In the future may be different MDPs for these two active data stream Datastream periods. Existing read is invalid so it is NOT validated against



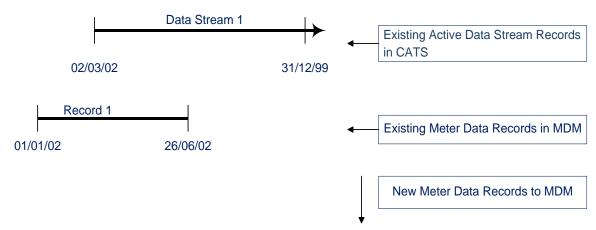


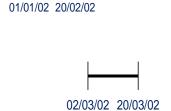
33. Both these records **will load**. Existing record spanning 1/1 to 26/06 archived to history table.



# G. One existing metermetering data record loaded into MDM which now spans period of inactive data stream Datastream

The following examples assume that the data stream Datastream is now not active for the entire period, but has no gaps.



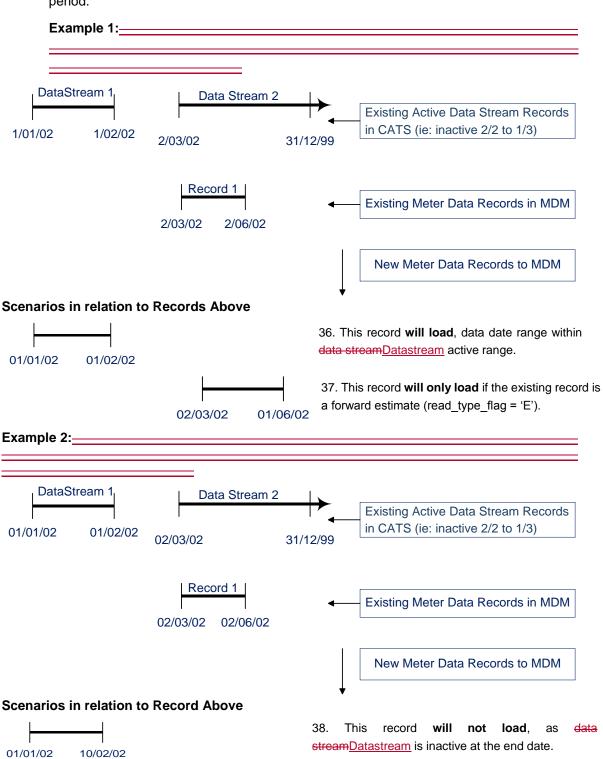


- 34. This record **will not load**, as <del>data</del> <del>stream</del> is not active at start or end date.
- 35. This record **will load**, existing record spanning 1/1 to 26/6 archived to history table. Existing read is invalid so it is NOT validated against.

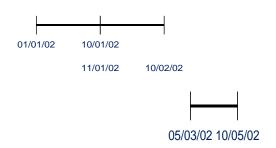


H. Data load in first period of active data stream Datastream where existing meter metering data record loaded into MDM for second period of active data stream Datastream

The following examples assume that the data stream Datastream is not active for the entire period.





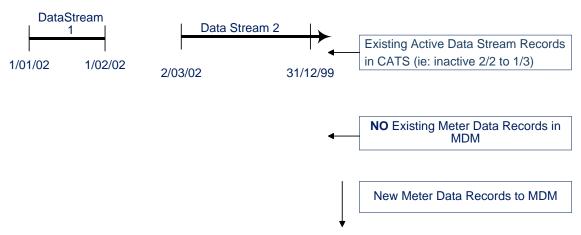


- 39. First record **will load**. Second record **will NOT** ad load as data stream is inactive at the reading end date.
- 40. This record **will not load** unless the existing readMeter Reading is a forwardan estimate. New record start date does not align with overlapping existing record

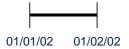


I. Data load in first period of active data stream Datastream where no existing meter metering data record loaded into MDM

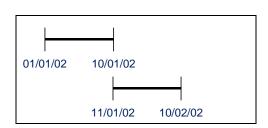
The following examples assume that the data stream Datastream is not active for the entire period.



#### Scenarios in relation to Records Above



41. This record will load.

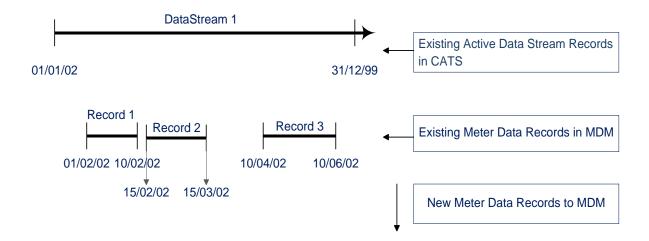


42. The first record **will load**. The second record **will not load** as the data stream Datastream is not active at the end

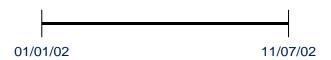


#### J. Three existing metermetering data records loaded into MDM

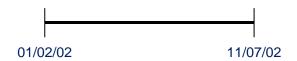
The following examples assume that the data stream Datastream is active for the entire period.



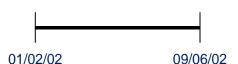
#### Scenarios in relation to Records Above



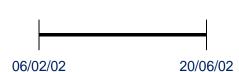
43. This record **will load**. The three existing records will be archived to history. As start date and end date of new record does not overlap any existing records, there is no requirement for alignment of dates.



44. This record **will load**. The three existing records will be archived to history. As new record start date overlaps first existing record, there is a requirement for alignment of start dates.



45. This record **will only load** if record 3 is a forward estimate as the end date of the new record overlaps existing record 3 (forward estimate means read\_type\_flag = 'E'). If record 3 is a forward estimate, then new record replaces previous records 1, 2 and 3.

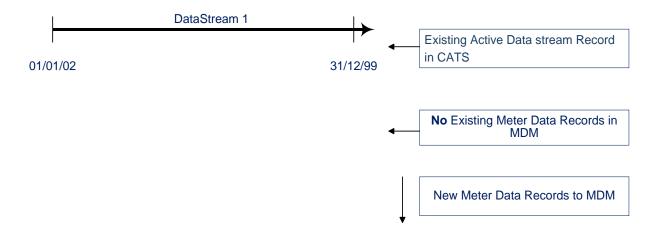


46. This record **will not load** unless Record1 is a forward estimate, as the new record does not align with start date of overlapping first existing record.

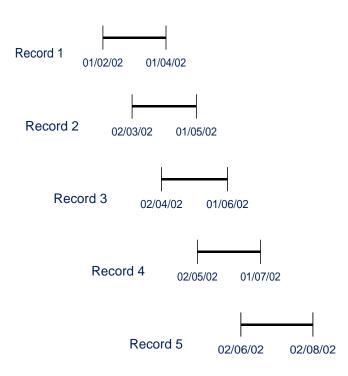


#### K. No existing metering data records loaded into MDM

The following examples assume that the data stream Datastream is active for the entire period.



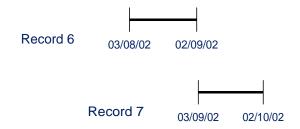
Note: all of the following records are in the one metermetering data file.



47. Records 1, 3, and 5, 6 and 7 **will load.** Records 2 and 4 will fail as they do not align with the previous loaded record.

One Meta read is created (records 5, 6 & 7) - other read records will be processed on a record by record basis.

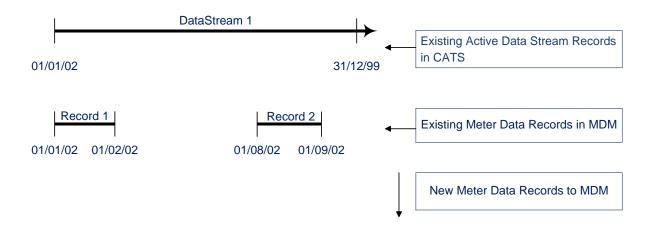




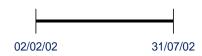


#### L. Existing metermetering data records loaded into MDM

The following examples assume that the data stream Datastream is active for the entire period.







48. Record will load.



49. Both records **will load**. Data gap still exists between 2/4/02 and 31/7/02.



50. Record **will not load**. New record does not align with existing record, and record 1 is not a forward estimate an Estimate.



51. Record **will load**. Data gap still exists between 2/2/02 and 28/2/02, and 2/4/02 and 31/7/02.



## 5. MSATS ERROR CODES (MDM)

All submitted Meter Data Notification data files that do not pass MSATS validations prior to data load will create an error. See the CATS-Hints and Tips — CATS & NMI Discovery for more detail on the common error codes found on the AEMO web site.

## 5.1 Validation Failure Error Codes (MDM)

All error codes relating to validation failures of MDM metermetering data files are tabulated in MSATS. This listing is located under Administration > Codes Maintenance > Error Codes.



## Appendix A. GLOSSARY

Terms which are defined in the National Electricity Rules are deemed to have the same meaning under these Procedures. See also the MSATS Procedures for further definition of terms.

Table 11: GLOSSARY

Term	Description
ase XML	A Standard for Energy eXtensible Markup Language
CATS	The Consumer Administration and Transfer Solution.
Data stream	A stream of metering data associated with a connection point, as represented by a NMI. A NMI can have multiple data streams (from multiple meters or from multiple channels or registers that comprise a single meter). Each data stream is identified by a suffix which is associated with the NMI to which it belongs.
DCTC	Data Collection Type Code (refer R25 Schema changes)
Interval meter	Is a meter that is capable of providing energy data for Trading Intervals (see National Electricity Rules). Classified in MSATS as COMMS 1 to 4, MRIM or UMCP.
MDM	The part of the MSATS system which is known as 'meter data management'.
MDM data stream	The term used to represent a NMI suffix, as distinct from a meter suffix.  The NMI suffix is required by MDM to enable the metering data associated with a NMI to be correctly identified.
MDP	See Metering Data Provider
Metering Data Provider (MDP)	The person responsible for the collection, processing and transfer of energy data from the meter or data logger to AEMO. The MDP consists of two accredited service provider groups:  The Metering Data Agent, who is responsible for the type 1, type 2, type 3 and type 4 metering installations; and  The Metering Provider Category D, who is responsible for the type 5, type 6 and type 7 metering installations.
MSATS	The Market Settlements and Transfer Solution
MSATS system	The centralised computer system which is managed by AEMO for MSATS.
National-Electricity Rules	The legal instrument formed under the National Electricity Law. The National Electricity Rules is available from AEMC.
AEMO	Australian Energy Market Operator Limited as defined in the National Electricity Rules.
NMI	National Metering Identifier as defined in the National Electricity Rules.
Profile name	Is the code that identifies the algorithmically derived shape of consumption that will be used to determine trading intervals for Basic Meter readings?
SAMPLE	The NMI classification code which is used to define a metering installation that forms part of the sample of metering data for use in a non NSLP profile shape application.
TNI	Transmission Node identifier means the unique identifier assigned by AEMO to each node in the transmission system.