



**STATEMENT OF CHARGES FOR
SOUTHERN ELECTRIC POWER DISTRIBUTION PLC' S
DISTRIBUTOR METERING AND DATA SERVICES IN ITS AREA
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**SOUTHERN ELECTRIC POWER DISTRIBUTION PLC'S STATEMENT OF
CHARGES FOR DISTRIBUTOR METERING AND DATA SERVICES IN ITS AREA:
Effective from 1 April 2007 .**

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 SSE Power Distribution is a trading name of Southern Electric Power Distribution plc, Scottish Hydro-Electric Power Distribution Ltd and Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Ltd, part of the Power Systems division of Scottish and Southern Energy plc. Southern Electric Power Distribution plc is the licensed electricity distribution business, which operates networks in the Central Southern England part of Great Britain. It also owns and operates small, embedded distribution systems in other parts of the England and Wales and Scotland. This statement is produced by Southern Electric Power Distribution plc, referred to in this statement as the company, in accordance with the requirements of its electricity distribution licence.
- 1.2 This statement describes the terms and conditions under which a charge for the provision of distributor metering and data services within the company's distribution service area will be made. This statement gives information relating to the other terms that will apply to the provision of each service, and sets out the basis of the charges made by the company for the provision of such services within its distribution service. The company's metering charges are regulated by a price control set by the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority and the charges are set to be within the price control limits.
- 1.3 The company is obliged, under Condition 36 of its electricity distribution licence, to prepare a statement approved by the Authority setting out the basis upon which charges will be made for the provision of distributor metering and data services within the company's distribution service area will be made. We are also obliged to review the information contained in this statement annually.
- 1.4 Words and expressions used in this statement have (unless specifically defined herein) the definitions given to them in the Act or the licence and shall be construed accordingly. The charges shown are current at the time of publication but are subject to change without notice, except as otherwise provided by agreement. All charges are quoted exclusive of VAT.
- 1.5 This statement has been approved by the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority. A fee of £5 (excluding VAT) will be payable for each copy of this statement which is provided in accordance with a request.

2. PERSONS ENTITLED TO APPLY FOR DISTRIBUTOR METERING AND DATA SERVICES

- 2.1 On application the company will offer to enter into agreement with any person for the provision of non half-hourly distributor metering (Meter Asset Provision (MAP) and / or Meter Operator (MOp)) services within the company's distribution service area. In addition, any eligible licensed Electricity Supplier will be entitled to use the company's metering point administration and data transfer services within the company's distribution service area. In order to protect all users of the company's distributor metering and data services, security may be required before agreeing terms.

3. PROCEDURE

- 3.1 Any application for distributor metering and data services within the company's service area should be made to the appropriate person, at the address shown in paragraph 6 of this section.
- 3.2 Applicants will be required, prior to using the services, to enter into the relevant agreement(s) for distributor metering and data services setting out the obligations of both parties, including the arrangements for invoicing and payment. The agreement(s) include details of service levels, which will apply to the services being provided. Where appropriate, the agreement details the method by which the company can be appointed to provide services at any individual location and how visits to customer's premises may be arranged.
- 3.3 For the provision of the company's non half-hourly distributor metering services (MAP and MOp) the applicant is required to enter into an agreement for the provision of non half-hourly meter operation services and should contact the Contract Manager, see paragraph 6.1.
- 3.4 If the applicant and the company, within a reasonable time, fail to agree contractual terms, or any variation of contractual terms proposed by the company, either party may request settlement of the dispute by the Office of Gas and Electricity Markets (OFGEM). The matter in the first instance should be referred to OFGEM at the address shown in paragraph 6 of this statement.
- 3.5 The company will not be obliged to enter into any agreement if in the company's opinion it is likely to breach any of its statutory or licence obligations or any obligations contained in existing agreements into which the company has entered as part of its licence obligations.
- 3.6 Where a user, having entered into an agreement(s) with the company terminates it, for whatever reason, the entitlement to use distributor metering and/or data services will cease forthwith, but the user will remain liable under the agreement(s) unless and until all charges which would have accrued had any of the agreements continued to be in place have been paid. A user wishing to terminate any agreement should give the company the notice

required in accordance with its terms, and should ensure that all registrations of customers under the MRA have ceased.

- 3.7 The company may wish to, at its sole discretion, carry out metering activities, which are outside the scope of the price controlled activities. The company's charges, for these excluded service activities, will reflect the costs incurred (including profit) in performing those services.

4. APPOINTMENTS/ DE-APPOINTMENTS

- 4.1 The company's obligation to provide MAP and MOp does not apply to a given supplier in relation to metering point at which the supplier has de-appointed the distributor network operator as MAP and MOp.
- 4.2 The transmission of a large number of Data Transfer Network messages in any working day is expected to interfere with the processing of other data transfer messages associated with the provision of services to all licensed Electricity Suppliers. Should a licensed Electricity Supplier choose to de-appoint the company from all (or substantially all) of the Metering Point Administration Numbers (MPANs) they supply, they will be required to agree a migration plan with the Contract Manager, see paragraph 6.1. Provided the licensed Electricity Supplier agrees a migration plan with the company, charges for de-appointment will not be made.

5. BASIS OF CHARGES FOR METERING AND DATA SERVICES/ PRINCIPAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 5.1 The charges payable in relation to distributor metering and data services will be calculated in accordance with the principles set out below. Such principles will also be incorporated to the extent appropriate in the terms and conditions set out in any agreement for distributor metering and data services.
- 5.2 The metering charges are set so that they are within the price controls limits set by OFGEM. These price controls cap the prices that the company can charge electricity suppliers for providing domestic credit and prepayment meters and limit the revenue for meter operation. These charges for the 2007/08 period have been set so that they are equal to the tariff caps.

Meter Asset Provision (MAP) Tariff Caps from 1 April 2007

Meter Type	Tariff Cap p/MPAN/day
Domestic single phase, single rate credit meter	0.350
Prepayment meter (Key)	2.820
Prepayment meter (Token)	2.679

The level of the revenue cap will adjust in line with a revenue driver based on the volume of metering activities.

- 5.3 Schedule 1 details daily charges on a pence per MPAN basis for non half-hourly MAP. The charges for the provision of MAP services are on the basis that the certified meter and any related timing device or other associated equipment is, and remains, in the ownership of the company. The individual services are described in schedules to the relevant Agreement. The daily MAP charges reflect the costs of providing, by way of hire, the certified meter asset and any related timing device or other associated equipment only. The MAP charges reflect depreciation costs, an allowance for a return on the value of meter asset, an amount for overheads and the costs associated with replacing meters at the end of their useful life, on an average annualised basis. In setting the tariff caps, OFGEM assumed that the company's domestic credit meters are depreciated over twenty years, key and token meters over 9.72 years. The non-tariff-capped charges are regulated through a non-discrimination condition in the company's licence. The methodology used to derive the tariff capped and the non-tariff capped MAP charges are on a costs reflective basis reflecting the type and functionality of the company's certified meter and any related timing device or other associated equipment. As of 31 March 2007, OFGEM will lift the requirement on distributors to offer terms at a price controlled rate for the provision of new/replacement meters. Distributors will still be required to offer terms at a price capped rate for the rental of electricity meters installed prior to 31 March 2007.
- 5.4 Schedule 2 details transaction based charges for non half-hourly MOp which are made in respect of specific metering related activities carried out by the company. The provision of MOp services including installation, commissioning, testing, fault repair, maintenance and re-certification. The transaction (one-off) charges for the metering activities in Schedule 2 reflect labour cost, material cost and other work relating costs including profit. The MOp charges are set to ensure its revenue does not exceed the total revenue calculated under the revenue control. In Schedule 2, "Normal Working Hours" applies to pre-programmed work between 0800 and 1800 on any day other than a Saturday, Sunday, Christmas Day, New Year's Day or a day which is a not a working day within the meaning of the Electricity Act 1989. The individual services are described in schedules to the relevant Agreement. As of 31 March 2007, OFGEM will lift the requirement on distributors to offer terms at a price controlled rate for meter operation services.
- 5.5 Where the company, after evaluation of the characteristics of the requested metering system, identifies that none of the categories of charges in the attached Schedules is appropriate, the company will offer specific terms which will be on a cost reflective basis. In general, the company will make its offer of terms within 28 days of receiving the application.
- 5.6 The charges shown in Schedules 1 to 3 are stand alone charges which will be invoiced in accordance with the terms of the agreement(s) between the company and the applicant. Invoices will be produced within 21 days after the end of a calendar month specifying the payment due from the supplier for that month. Payment terms are contained in the relevant agreement for each service. Generally, payment is required within 30 days of receipt of an invoice.

5.7 The charges shown in Schedules 1 to 3 exclude VAT, which will be applied at the appropriate rate.

6. CONTACT DETAILS

6.1 This statement has been prepared in order to discharge the company's obligation under Condition 36 of the licence. If you have any questions about the contents of this statement please contact us at the address shown below. Also given below are contact details for the Office of Gas and Electricity Gas Markets should prospective users wish to enquire separately on matters relating to this statement.

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Customers requiring the company to provide half-hourly metering, telemetry or data processing equipment required for the measurement of supply will be charged the costs of such metering and its installation within a separate metering contract. For further details and the terms and conditions of metering services, please contact:

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SCHEDULE 1*(Reference: Schedule 3 Non Half-Hourly Meter Operation Services)***SOUTHERN ELECTRIC POWER DISTRIBUTION PLC****Daily Charges for Non Half-Hourly Meter Asset Provision (MAP) Services for meters installed prior to 31/03/07: Effective from 1 April 2007.**

Group	Line Loss Factor Class Code	Meter Type		pence per MPAN per day
1	100, 126	Single phase	Single Rate Credit Meter	0.352
2	101, 127	Polyphase	Single Rate Credit Meter	1.263
3	102, 128, 300, 302	Single phase	Single Rate Pre Payment Key Meter	2.836
4	104, 112 -117, 124, 129, 133, 138 -141, 154, 156	Single phase	Two Rate (1 element) or equivalent Meter	1.650
5	105, 118 -123, 125, 130, 134, 142 -145, 155, 157	Polyphase	Two Rate (1 element) or equivalent Meter	2.136
6	106, 131, 301, 303	Single phase	Two Rate Key Meter	3.023
7	108, 110	Single phase	Multi-rate (2 element) or equivalent Meter	3.107
8	109, 111	Polyphase	Multi-rate (2 element) or equivalent Meter	3.708
9	135, 400, 401, 605 - 606	Single phase	Multi-rate Meter	3.921
10	136	Polyphase	Multi-rate Meter	5.665
11	909, 931,932	Single phase	Multi-rate Import / Export Meter	1.391
12	910	Polyphase	Multi-rate Import / Export Meter	4.383

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Daily Charges for Non Half-Hourly Meter Asset Provision (MAP) Services for the provision of new/replacement meters as of 31/03/07: Effective from 1 April 2007.

Group	Line Loss Factor Class Code	Meter Type		pence per MPAN per day
1	100, 126	Single phase	Single Rate Credit Meter	0.352
2	101, 127	Polyphase	Single Rate Credit Meter	1.263
3	102, 128, 300, 302	Single phase	Single Rate Pre Payment Key Meter	2.836
4	104, 112 -117, 124, 129, 133, 138 -141, 154, 156	Single phase	Two Rate (1 element) or equivalent Meter	1.650
5	105, 118 -123, 125, 130, 134, 142 -145, 155, 157	Polyphase	Two Rate (1 element) or equivalent Meter	2.136
6	106, 131, 301, 303	Single phase	Two Rate Key Meter	3.023
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Daily Charges for Non Half-Hourly Meter Asset Provision (MAP) Services: Effective from 1 April 2007.

Return of Meter Asset Following Removal by Meter Operator (MOp)

In the event of the Company's meter being removed by the Supplier's MOp, the Supplier must arrange the return of any such meter within 28 days to Southern Electric Power Distribution plc, Metering Test Station, Hambridge Road, Newbury, Berkshire, RG14 5TP. A charge will be payable by Supplier for any failure as follows:

<u>Meter Type</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Single Rate Credit Meter	£ 29.00
Two Rate Credit Meter	32.50
Time Switch/contactor	34.50
Radio Teleswitch	48.00
Single Phase Import / Export Meter	48.25
Radio Telemeter	66.50
Prepayment Meter	74.75
Polyphase Non Programmable Meter	77.00
Polyphase Phase Import / Export Meter	117.00
Polyphase Programmable Meter	148.50

(A switched meter is generally an additional meter with a switching device attached to or integrated within the meter)

SCHEDULE 2

(Reference: Schedule 3 Non Half-Hourly Meter Operation Services)

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Transactional Charges for Non Half-Hourly Meter Operator (MOp) Services: Effective from 1 April 2007.

	Within normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
1 <u>Prepayment Metering</u>		
Issue Key by Site Visit		
A charge will be payable by the Supplier for each visit to the Premises of a Prepayment Meter Customer to issue a prepayment key.	£ 22.50	£ 49.75
Additional charge for the provision a Prepayment Key unless coincident with change of supplier.	£ 6.75	£ 6.75
Customer Service Calls to Prepayment Meter Customers		
A charge will be payable by the Supplier for each Customer Service visit to the Premises of a Prepayment Meter Customer.	£ 23.00	£ 51.75
An additional charge will be made for the provision of a Prepayment Key during the Customer Service Call.	£ 6.75	£ 6.75
<u>Meter Damage</u> : Charges for meter damage may be levied in accordance with the meter damage charges list (refer to item 4 below).		
2 <u>Installation and Maintenance of Metering Systems</u>		
Install a Metering System for a New Connection		
A charge per Relevant Metering System for each new connection will be payable by the Supplier (or customer where appropriate) to complete the work to connect, install and energise the metering		

	Within normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
system (excludes provision of an appropriate meter and / or associated equipment):		
Single Phase Metering System	£ 38.75	£ 85.00
Polyphase Metering System	£ 65.00	£ 108.75
CT connected Metering System	£ 146.75	£ 212.00

Investigate a Metering System Fault where Supply is interrupted

A charge per Relevant Metering System may be payable by the Supplier of each Metering System Fault investigation:

Faulty Metering System	No Charge	No Charge
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No fault found or fault lies in equipment which is the responsibility of another party:

Single Phase Metering System	£ 22.75	£ 51.00
Polyphase Metering System	£ 50.00	£ 81.50
CT connected Metering System	£ 120.00	£ 173.75

Meter Damage: Charges for meter damage may be levied in accordance with the meter damage charges list (refer to item 4 below).

Investigate Metering System Fault where Supply is not interrupted

A charge per Relevant Metering System may be payable by the Supplier in respect of each Metering System Fault investigation:

Faulty Metering System.	No Charge	No Charge
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No fault found or fault lies in equipment which is the responsibility of another party:

Single Phase Metering System	£ 22.75	£ 51.00
Polyphase Metering System	£ 50.00	£ 81.50
CT connected Metering System	£ 120.00	£ 173.75

Meter Damage: Charges for meter damage may be levied in accordance with the meter damage charges list (refer to item 4 below).

Within normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
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Accuracy Check

A charge per Relevant Metering System may be payable by the Supplier in respect of each Metering System accuracy check undertaken:

Faulty Metering System	No Charge	No Charge
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No fault found or fault lies in equipment which is the responsibility of another party:

Single Phase Metering System	£ 41.00	£ 78.00
Polyphase Metering System	£ 67.25	£ 113.25
CT connected Metering System	£ 152.00	£ 220.25

Meter Damage: Charges for meter damage may be levied in accordance with the meter damage charges list (refer to item 4 below).

Install a Check Meter

A charge per Relevant Metering System may be payable by the Supplier in respect of each Metering System where a check meter is installed:

Faulty Metering System	No Charge	No Charge
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No fault found or fault lies in equipment which is the responsibility of another party:

Single Phase Metering System		
Polyphase Metering System	£ 37.00	£ 69.25
CT connected Metering System	£ 63.75	£ 106.00
	£ 145.75	£ 212.00

These charges apply where the check meter can be fitted adjacent to the existing metering systems. At locations where space is constrained, or where additional equipment (more than a meter equivalent to that whose operation is being checked) must be provided, will be subject to a site-specific surcharge.

Meter Damage: Charges for meter damage may be levied in accordance with the meter damage charges list (refer to item 4 below).

Within normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
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**Replacement of Metering System for
Recertification**

A charge per Relevant Metering System will be payable by the Supplier to replace a time expired meter. This covers up to three visits and excludes any associated cost of exchanging the meter beyond this, e.g. attending with Supplier on warrant call:

Single Phase Metering System		
Polyphase Metering System	£ 29.50	£ 62.00
CT connected Metering System	£ 65.75	£ 89.00
	£ 140.00	£ 207.75

**Attendance with Meter Examiner or Supplier
(£/hr)**

A charge per hour per Relevant Metering System may be payable by the Supplier in respect of each Metering System where attendance is required with the Supplier or with a Meter Examiner unless the purpose of the visit is for fault investigation and the existence of a fault is proved.

With Supplier and / or with Meter Examiner:

Single Phase Metering System		
Polyphase or CT connected Metering System		
	£ 48.75	N/A
	£ 72.50	N/A

Attendance with Suppliers Debt Collector

Where the request is for a Meter Fixer to assist the Suppliers Debt Collector, this service must be requested giving 10 working days notice and will include the following information: the geographic location(s); the number of days / half days required and the number of sites to be visited. Full details (MPAN's, site addresses, meter serial numbers, location for first meeting with debt collector and debt collectors mobile telephone number) must be provided giving at least 5 working days notice. A cancellation fee of 50% (of the hours requested

	Within normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
multiplied by the hourly rate) will be charged if the job is cancelled with less than 3 working days notice.		

Provision of an operative:

For a half day 4 hour period (am or pm)

For a full day maximum 8 hour period	£ 188.00	N/A
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	£ 318.00	N/A
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Meter Damage: Charges for meter damage may be levied in accordance with the meter damage charges list (refer to item 4 below).

3 Functionality

Functionality Change

A charge per Relevant Metering System will be payable by the Supplier for each change of functionality:

Single Phase Metering System	£ 38.75	£ 85.00
Polyphase Metering System	£ 65.00	£ 108.75
CT connected Metering System	£ 146.75	£ 212.00

Installation of Timeswitch/Teleswitch

A charge per Relevant Metering System will be payable by the Supplier on his request where equipment is not faulty for each change of installation.	£ 23.50	£ 51.50
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Re-Energisation and De-Energisation - Change of Energisation Status

A charge per Relevant Metering System will be payable by the Supplier for each change to the Energisation status of the system:

Single Phase Metering System	£ 23.50	£ 51.75
Polyphase Metering System	£ 36.25	£ 61.00
CT connected Metering System	£ 48.75	£ 70.50

4 Miscellaneous

Abortive Visits

	Within normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
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Where the company is unable to perform a service which requires a visit to the Premises of a Customer due to:

- a. insufficient information being provided by the Supplier, or
- b. the Customer failing to keep an agreed appointment.

A charge will be made to the Supplier:

Single Phase Metering System	£ 21.75	£ 49.75
Polyphase or CT connected Metering System	£ 36.50	£ 58.75

except that where the cost of the requested visit less than the above price, the cost of the visit will be charged.

Erroneous Appointments

Where the Company is appointed in error (e.g. at Change of Supplier) and the Company perform services and / or incur costs then the Company will charge the Supplier.

Cost incurred

Cost incurred

Special Site Visit

Where the company is requested to visit the premises of a customer for any other purpose.

As agreed

As agreed

Collection and Return of Property Keys

This service will be provided free of charge where property keys can be collected/returned near the appointment address (i.e. within 0.5 mile radius and 5 minutes travelling time). Otherwise, a charge may be made for each collection or return of the keys.

£ 21.75

£ 49.75

Meter Damage

Where the company's equipment is found to have been damaged due to the action of a third party the

	Within normal working hours	Outside normal working hours
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following charges to rectify that damage will apply:

Single Rate Credit Meter		
Two Rate Credit Meter	£ 42.50	
Time Switch/contactor	£ 50.50	
Radio Teleswitch	£ 54.00	
Single Phase Import/Export Meter	£ 86.00	
Radio Telemeter	£ 86.00	
Prepayment Meter	£ 131.25	
Polyphase Non Programmable Meter	£ 151.00	
Polyphase Programmable Meter	£ 156.00	
Polyphase Import/Export Meter	£ 211.00	
	£ 157.50	

The charge is inclusive of the transactional element.

Ancillary equipment

Replacement of cutout fuses following faults in the customer's installation.	£ 23.00	£ 51.75
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Other ancillary equipment will be replaced at labour and material rates.

Replace Faulty Meter Owned By Third Party

A transaction charge will be payable by the User for visits made by the MOP to replace a faulty meter owned by a third party MAP (i.e. not S+S).	£ 36.50	£ 74.50
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