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- PUCT Project 37291
  - Project opened July 2009
  - Final Approval April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 with a July 1<sup>st</sup> effective date

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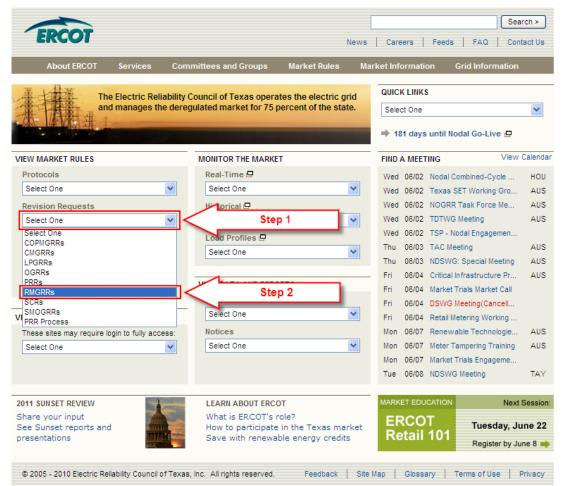
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#### **ERCOT Stakeholder Process**

- Meter Tampering Task Force
  - Formed by RMS in January 2010
  - Tasked with updating Retail Market Guide for July 1<sup>st</sup> processes and developing long-term solutions
  - RMGRR 087 is result of Task Force meetings
    - Created RMG Section 7.16 to deal with meter tampering issues

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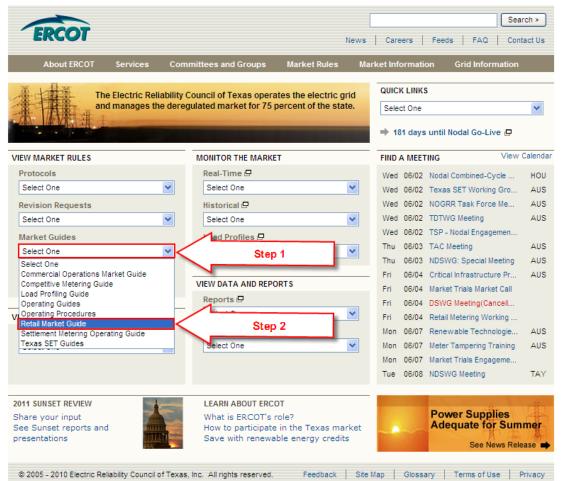
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#### MVI

- Complete Unexecutable (814\_28) with reason code "To19"
- If hazardous conditions exist TDSP may disconnect service
  - Notify REP via 650\_04 with reason code "TM001"

#### MVO

- Move-out request does not include reason code "2MR"
  - Complete Unexecutable (814\_28) with reason code "To19"
  - If a disconnection of service is necessary the REP will be notified via 650\_04 with reason code "TM001"
- Move-out request includes reason code "2MR'
  - MVO will be completed as requested

#### DNP

- If tampering does not create a hazardous condition DNP will be completed
- If unsafe condition exists TDSP may
  - Complete DNP from an alternate location; or
  - Not complete DNP and send REP 650\_02 with reason code "To19"; or
  - Suspend service, remove meter, and send REP 650\_04 with reason code "TMoo1"

#### RNP

- If tampering does not create a hazardous condition RNP will be completed
- If unsafe condition exists TDSP may
  - Not complete RNP and send REP 650\_02 with reason code "To19"; or
  - Suspend service, remove meter, and send REP 650\_04 with reason code "TMoo1"
- All existing DNP/RNP rules and processes remain in effect

#### **REP/Customer Notification to TDSP**

 TDSPs will have either an e-mail, website, or phone number available for REPs or Customers to report Tampering

	Website or E-mail	Telephone
AEP	www.ReportPowerTheft.com	1-877-373-4858
CNP	www.centerpointenergy.com/services/electricity/residential/metertheft	713-207-7225 or toll free 877-570-5770
Oncor	www.oncor.com	888-313-6862
SULP		956-687-5600
TNMP	MPRelations@tnmp.com	800-738-5579

# **Usage and Invoice Charges**

- Upon determination of tampering TDSPs will provide cancel/rebill transactions for impacted prior period 867 and 810 transactions
  - Rebilled usage will be coded as Estimated usage with reason code "O4"
  - Rebilled invoices will reflect changes due to tampering with any additional tampering/meter replacement charges

# **Usage and Invoice Charges**

- If tampering related discretionary charges apply with no consumption impact
  - TDSPs generate cancel/rebill transactions
    - 867 Usage cancel/rebill will reflect zero usage impact
    - 810 Invoice cancel/rebill will reflect additional discretionary charges
    - Cancel/rebill transactions will apply the prior billing period immediately preceding the tampering determination

# Placing of a Switch-hold

- Upon determination that tampering has occurred TDSP will place a switch-hold on the ESIID
  - Only the TDSP may place the switch-hold on an ESIID
  - Switch-hold is tied to the premise not the customer
  - Switch-hold will stop any switch or move-in from occurring on the ESIID

### **TDSP Notification to REP**

- TDSPs will provide two switch-hold lists each business day
  - Primary List
    - Includes all ESIIDs currently with switch-hold flag in TDSP systems
    - Available to all REPs
  - Secondary List
    - Includes all ESIIDs currently with switch-hold flag for a single REP
    - Available only to the REP whose customers are on the list

### Switch-hold List

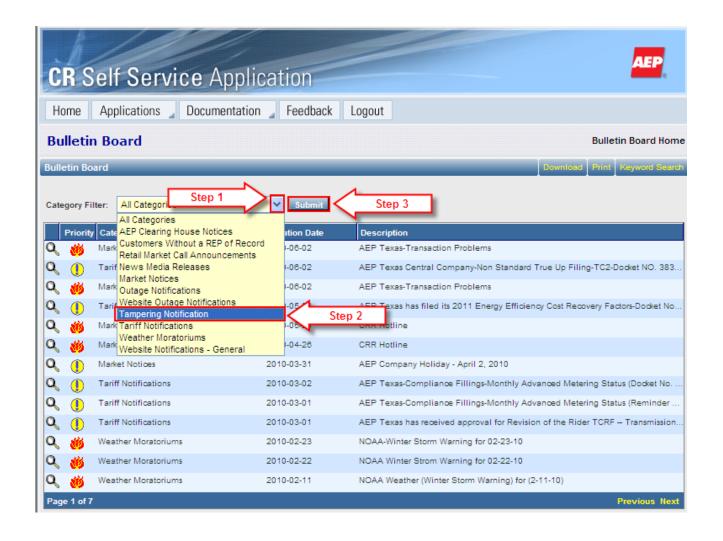
#### File locations:

- CNP <u>ftp.centerpointenergy.com</u>
- Oncor <u>ftp.oncor.com</u>
- AEP email distribution and <u>https://crss.aep.com</u>
- TNMP <u>ftp.tnmp.com</u>
- Sharyland ftp site in development

# Switch-hold List (CNP & Oncor)

- Utilize existing ftp sites and processes
  - Existing ftp username and passwords will provide access
  - Oncor
    - Top level folder accessible by all REPs will contain primary list
    - REP specific sub-folders will contain secondary lists
  - Centerpoint
    - Both primary and secondary lists will be posted in the REP of Record folder

#### Switch-hold List (AEP)



#### Switch-hold List (AEP)

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# Switch-hold List (TNMP & Sharyland)

- TNMP & Sharyland
  - Creating new ftp sites with usernames and passwords to be distributed to REPs prior to July 1<sup>st</sup>
    - For TNMP username and password send an e-mail request to <u>MPRelations@tnmp.com</u>
  - Will use the same two level structure being utilized by the Oncor ftp site

## Switch-hold List

- Lists will be posted by 9:00am CST each business day
- List format is defined in RMG Appendix J1
  - ESIID
  - Switch-hold Start Date
- File Naming Conventions
  - Primary List
    - <TDSPDUNS><"SWITCHHOLD"><MMDDYYYY>.txt
    - 1039940674000SWITCHHOLD07012010.txt
  - Secondary List
    - <TDSPDUNS><"SWITCHHOLD"><REPDUNS><MMDDYYYY>.txt
    - 1039940674000SWITCHHOLD10811454207012010.txt

## Switch-hold List

- What if there are no accounts on switch-hold?
  - All TDSPs will post files that are blank
- What happens if there is a system error and a file isn't posted for a day?
  - All TDSPs will post the next day's file, there will not be two files or any archive files
- What is going to be in the files on July 1<sup>st</sup>?
  - CNP, Oncor, and TNMP will have blank files
  - AEP will have data in their file

## **Switch Hold Process**

#### Switches

- TDSP shall reject the request by sending the 814\_04, Switch/Move-In CR Notification Response, with the reason code "A13" and "SWITCH HOLD" in the text description field
- REP will receive 814\_05 Reject Response, with the reason code "A13" and "SWITCH HOLD" in the text description field
- No method for removing Hold for a switch except by the REP of Record

## **Switch Hold Process**

#### MVI

- TDSP shall reject the request by sending the 814\_04, Switch/Move-In CR Notification Response, with the reason code "A13" and "SWITCH HOLD" in the text description field
- REP will receive 814\_05 Reject Response, with the reason code "A13" and "SWITCH HOLD" in the text description field

## **Switch Hold Process**

#### MVI

- TDSP shall reject the request by sending the 814\_04, If 814\_05 Accept has already been sent prior to determination of tampering; TDSP will Complete Unexecutable (814\_28) with reason code "To19"
  - Oncor only> If the MVI scheduled prior to the Tampering Determination is within 36 hours of the scheduled date, the MVI will complete.

- RMG Section 7.16.4.3.2 defines a detailed process for removing a switch hold for a valid MVI request
- MarkeTrak will be the only way that a removal of a switch hold for a MVI request will be processed
  - No e-mails, spreadsheets, or other off-line processes

- Request to remove switch hold must include two documents
  - One of these documents
    - Copy of signed lease;
    - Affidavit of landlord;
    - Closing documents;
    - Certificate of occupancy; or
    - Utility bill, in the Customer's name, dated within the last two months from a different Premise address
  - New Occupant Statement
    - Found in RMG Appendix J2

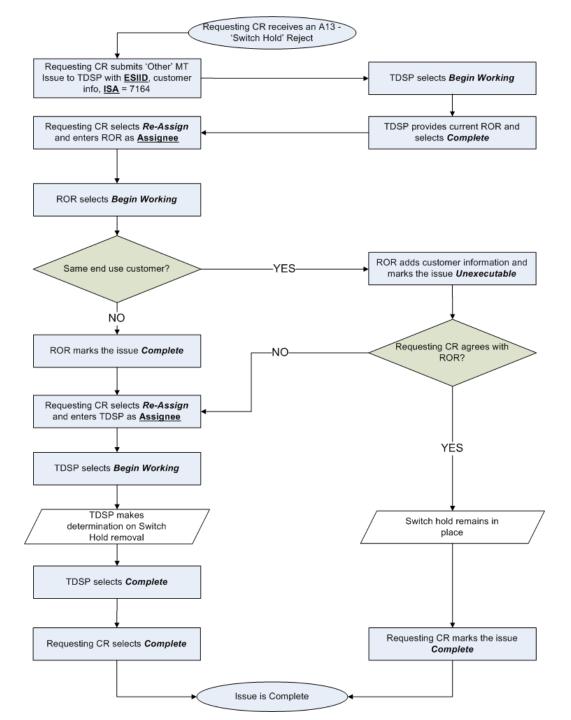
- What if the customer doesn't have one of those documents?
  - PUCT rule allows the use of "comparable documents"
  - What is a comparable document?
    - Establish residency of customer at a premise (positive or negative) on a specific date
  - TDSPs prefer documents off the list, use of other documents will be "messy"

#### Timelines

- Entire process must be completed within 4 hours
- REP of Record has one hour from receipt of MarkeTrak issue to reply
  - Failure to meet this timeline requirement will result in removal of switch hold without exception, with no recourse for the REP of Record
- Gaining REP has 30 minutes to transition issue between TDSP and REP of Record
  - Failure to meet this timeline requirement can result in rejection of removal of switch hold request

#### 6 Step Process

- Gaining REP creates MarkeTrak issue and assigns to TDSP
- 2. TDSP can accept or reject issue; assigns to Gaining REP with REP of Record identified in response
- 3. Gaining REP assigns to REP of Record
- REP of Record can agree or disagree; assigns to Gaining REP
- 5. Gaining REP assigns to TDSP
- 6. TDSP makes final determination; assigns to Gaining REP



## **Removal of Switch Hold**

#### REP of Record Request

- Per (h)(1) in new PUCT rule language, "The REP via a standard market process shall submit a request to remove the switch-hold once satisfactory payment is received from the retail customer for the back-billings and meter repair and restoration charges."
- REPs will use MarkeTrak process defined in RMG 7.16.4.4

# RMG 7.16.4.4 (REP)

- By 1500 each Business Day, the REP of Record may submit a MarkeTrak issue to the TDSP to remove the switch hold and to remove the ESI ID from the next Business Day's switch hold list provided by the TDSP per Section 7.16.3, Transmission and/or Distribution Service Provider Switch Hold Notification, using the following process:
  - Create an individual MarkeTrak issue for each ESI ID to be removed from the switch hold list using the "Other" subtype;
  - Include the number "71644" in the ISA Number field of the MarkeTrak issue;
  - Populate the ESI ID field; and
  - Assign the issue to the TDSP.

# RMG 7.16.4.4 (TDSP)

- The TDSP, upon receipt of MarkeTrak issue, will perform one of the following:
  - Remove the switch hold; or
  - Reject the issue due to the following:
    - Incorrect MarkeTrak issue subtype;
    - Incorrect ISA Number or ISA Number field is not populated; or
    - Incorrect ESI ID or ESI ID field is not populated.

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#### MVO

- TDSP will remove a switch-hold from an ESIID upon completion of a Move-Out Request
- Sending a MVO after DNP will remove the Switch Hold
- CSA
  - Upon receipt of a move-out to Continuous Service Agreement (CSA) for an ESIID under a switch-hold, the TDSP shall remove the switch hold upon completion of the move-out and then complete the CSA move-in

## **Removal of Switch Hold**

#### POLR

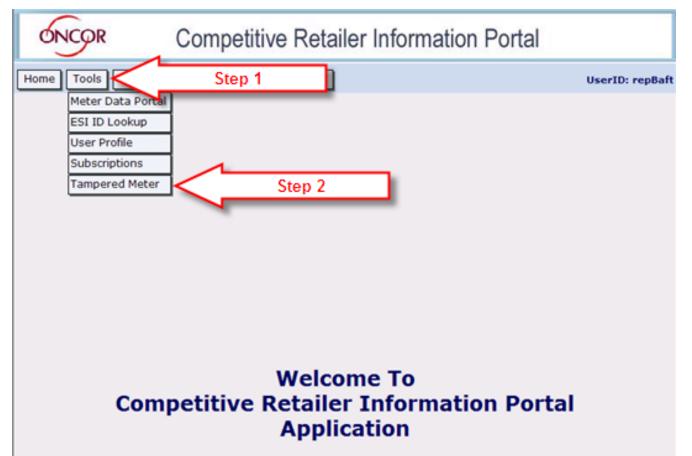
- TDSP will remove switch hold on any ESIIDs that are part of the Mass Transition event; and
- TDSP will provide CRs (both POLR and non-POLR) a list of ESIIDs that previously had a switch-hold due to tampering in which the switch-hold was removed as a result of the Mass Transition event
   DNP
- Does not remove Switch Hold
- All existing DNP/RNP rules remain in effect

### Tampering Investigation Information

- Centerpoint, TNMP, and Sharyland
  - Utilize ftp sites with same folders to post files to REP of Record
- AEP
  - Utilize the Online Self-Service Portal with documents posted in the same manner of the switch hold lists
- Oncor
  - Utilize Online Self Service Portal

### Tampering Investigation Information (Oncor)

#### <u>https://crip.oncor.com/cripweb/</u>



### Tampering Investigation Information (Oncor)

Competitive Retailer Information Portal		
Home Tools Documentation Feedback Logout		UserID: repBaft
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### Questions



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