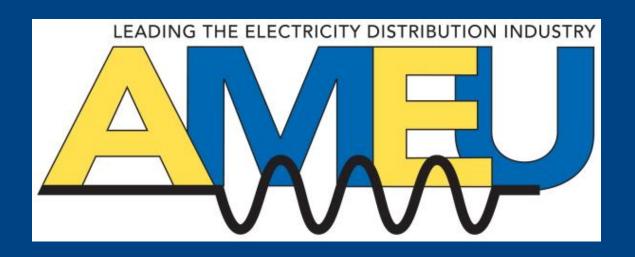
# Building a real smart solution



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- **Project drivers:**
- The players:
- The tools:
- **Technology:**
- **Getting it together:**
- The solution:

#### Local context

- > Smart meters in households consuming > 1,000kW per month
- > Infrastructure projects
  - > Rural electrification 2.2 million
  - > 1.2 million informal settlements
- > Issues related to skills retention and training

#### Our customers

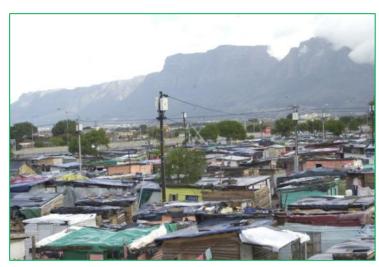
#### > High income / high consumption

- > In excess of 50kWh per day
- Multiple geysers, pool pumps, air conditioning, appliances
- > 3 phase, maximum demand 70kW
- > Revenue more than R 1,500 pm

#### > Lower income / Lower consumption

- > Less than 7kWh per day
- Lights, two plate cooker, kettle, radio,
   TV, (possibly) a bar heater
- > Single phase, maximum demand 5kW
- > Average revenue R 170 pm





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### More bang for your buck

- > Optimised cost per connection
  - > Use the existing infrastructure (build on the installed base)?
  - > Sustainability of the prepayment revenue management model
  - > Use appropriate technology
  - > Cost / benefit optimised
  - > Appropriate functionality
- > System simplicity



**Context:** 

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#### Stakeholders / beneficiaries

- > Utilities / Municipalities
  - > Finance
  - > Engineering / Maintenance
  - > IT / Customer services
- > Value added service suppliers
  - > GSM network providers
  - > Internet service providers
  - > IT infrastructure
- > Third party vendors
- > End users / consumers



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### Utility toolbox

- > Remote meter reading / meter status updates
- > Alarm enunciation
- > Remote token loading
- > Energy balancing
- > Consumer load profiling
- > Remote supply connection / reconnection
- > Demand side load management
- > Asset traceability



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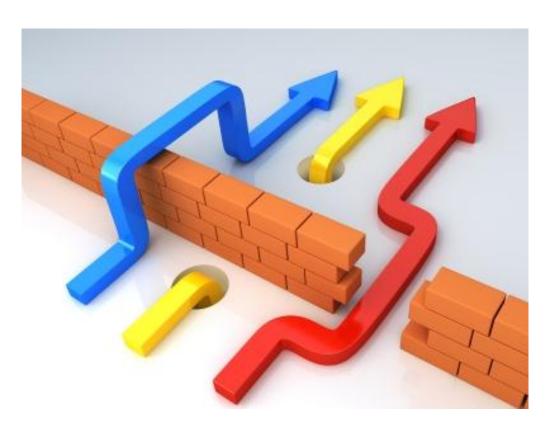
### The right stuff

#### > Standards

- > STS/IEC
- > DLMS/COSEM
- > Secure communications

#### > Functionality

- > System complexity
- > 10mW transmission power
- > Intrinsically compatible with NRS049
- > ESKOM DSP34-1635 compliance



### Operational requirements

- > Field proven prepayment technology supplying redundancy
- Local communications infrastructure based on field proven RF technology
- Flexible connectivity into the web using a variety of communication technologies
- Servers and back-end scalable from hosted to large customised systems





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# Getting it together:

### System elements

- > Customer's premises
  - > Customer interface unit / keypad
- > At the point of supply
  - > Conventional split configuration "smart" prepayment electricity meter
  - > Low power 433MHz ISM licence free band
  - > Ability to manage up to four load control devices (control the appliances at the source)
  - > Configurable either as prepayment or conventionally billed





### System elements.....

- > Last mile communications
  - > Data concentrator unit (DCU)
    - > Low power 433Mhz ISM licence free band
    - > Flexible backhaul communications
      - GSM technology
      - Ethernet
      - PLC
      - Zigbee
      - Fibre Optic
      - RF wireless
    - > OTAP upgrades
  - > Field service terminal (FST)
    - > Drive by data collection
    - > GPS aware
    - > System backup





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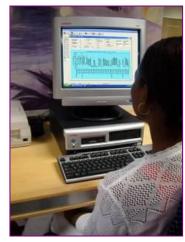
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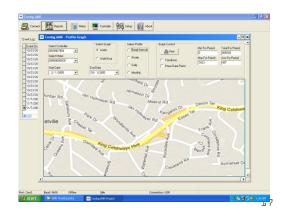
- > Network management servers
- > Data collection servers
- > Data management and reporting clients

#### > Value added services

- > Demand side load management
- > Asset management
- > Consumer notification / web services
- > Maintenance and engineering services





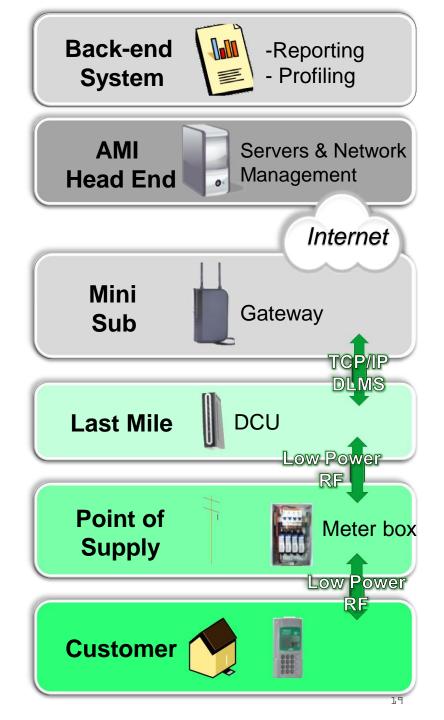


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### It all comes together

- > Build on the existing infrastructure and investment
- A business model that has stood the test of time
- > Built in system redundancy
- Technology that is appropriate to our reality
- A cost effective solution that caters
   for low consumption customers



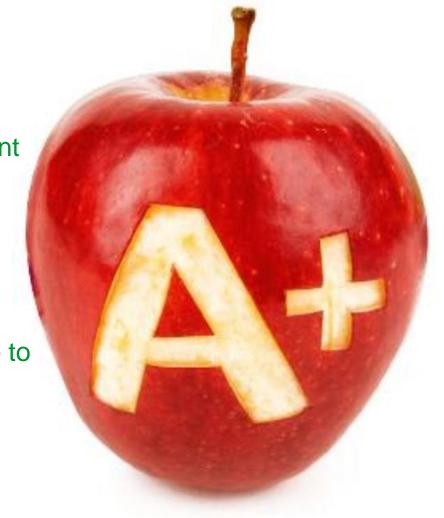
### The final analysis

 Revenue protection and management from the comfort of your office

Scalability and sustainability are guaranteed

 System is appropriate and justifiable to every level of consumer

Utilisation of existing knowledge,
 training and expertise



# Thank you

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