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To validate the AMS invoice, we check a number of scenarios, which includes high value (Over £25K). For NDM we do initial high level energy checks to check that the correct energy has been calculated for the period. We then perform full recalculations of the rec on a sample of these.

Full recalculations are done using a tool which enables us to enter the variables such as reads, energy factors, AQ's, EUC's etc to determine if the system has calculated the reconciliation correctly. We also check that the correct rates have been applied.

For DM, we do a full check on every reconciliation which again involves recalculating the rec to the reads in UK Link.

Where we have found any issues with the calculation, a full root cause analysis is done. This is then profiled to see how many other recs this has or is affecting. This can result in a defect being raised, however for isolated incidents corrective action is taken straight away. Incorrect calculations will, where possible, be held off the invoice until they have been corrected.

Once the invoice has been aggregated to shipper/network level we perform a number of checks on the high level financial values to ensure these are within reasonable parameters and in proportion. We will not run the UIG Smear until we are satisfied that the core reconciliation is accurate.

The GRE from the core reconciliation feeds into the smear so we need to check that this matches before initiating the smear. Once completed we again check that the amount smeared matches the pre-smear values. We also then again check that the values by shipper are in line, usually comparing to the indebtedness report from Gemini.

