

NPCI/2018-19/CTS/037

November 14, 2018

To,

All CTS Member banks

CCH roll out in CTS Southern grid- reg

Refer to our circular no. NPCI/2018-19/CTS/015 on Centralised Clearing House (CCH) dated June 01, 2018. We wish to inform that clearing house will be migrated from existing ECPIX 4.0 version to Aprta Clear 6.0 version with effect from November 19, 2018.

The clearing house (CCH) set up will be a hybrid model, wherein both CHI and DEM can co-exist for the banks that wish to continue with CHI infrastructure there will not be any change in the process or communication channels due to the up-gradation of central system.

The banks that wish to migrate to Data Exchange Module have to follow the process given below:

- Certification by NPCI.
- Documents to be submitted:
 - Vulnerability assessment report and InfoSec audit report conducted by bank.
 - Letter in the enclosed format (Annexure-I). It should be signed by officials in the cadre DGM or above.
- Bank should have two DEMs (PR & DR).

Note:

- Indirect banks and sub-member banks to be migrated from CHI to DEM module on the same day.
- Existing CHI infrastructure to be retained for 90 days as a fall back mechanism.

The banks wishing to continue on CHI may take note to upgrade to the new version as the existing CHI application is coming to its end of life support by March 31, 2019. A separate communication was sent to the banks on this by the service provider.

With warm regards,


Giridhar G M
SVP- NACH & CTS Operations

***** For CHI banks migrating to DEM*****

Place:

Date:

To,

National Payments Corporation of India
C/O ICICI Towers, 6th Floor,
Plot No. 12, Tower III, South Wing,
Financial District,
Nanakram Guda,
Hyderabad, Telangana 500081.

Dear Sir/Madam,

We confirm that our Bank is ready to migrate from CHI setup to Data Exchange Module (DEM) application with effect from ===== (DD/MM/YYYY). The necessary infrastructure and other pre-requisites are in place. We have developed the DEM application (on our own as per specification shared from NPCI)/ through service provider (Name of the service provider).

We further confirm that:

1. The user acceptance test (UAT) as well as certification of NPCI have been completed.
2. Vulnerability assessment and penetration test (VAPT) and Information security audit have been completed and all the observations have been closed. Complete reports with status update against each audit point enclosed (**Annexure-A**).
3. All technical specifications issued by NPCI for DEM have been complied with.
4. We have completed and tested DR set up as well for DEM (it is mandatory for a bank to go live with two DEMs as fall back for each other).
5. The current CHI will be maintained for a period of 90 days from the date of migration to DEM in such a way that we can switch back to CHI in case of issues in processing through DEM.
6. We understand that switch back to CHI is possible only after all the sessions for the day are completed.
7. The list of banks that will continue to participate under our DEM application as indirect member /Sub member type –II is provided in **Annexure B**.
8. We shall adhere to all the clearing house guidelines, procedural guidelines of RBI and technical guidelines issued by NPCI from time to time.
9. As DEM is developed / procured by us it is our responsibility to ensure that the application is maintained to ensure up time, data is replicated between primary and DR to facilitate invocation of DR as may be required.
10. Planned and surprise DR drills will be carried in each quarters.
11. The necessary training and operational guidelines have been provided to all our internal clearing team members.

Our Routing No:

You are requested to migrate our bank to DEM with effect from =====.

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Annexure B:

Sl. No.	Name of the Bank	Routing Number	Grid

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