

Performance Based Contracts in Non-Revenue Water Reduction Programs

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Why is NRW Management So Important?

- Reducing NRW delivers multiple benefits:
 1. Improves customer service levels – higher pressures and/or better continuity and/or expanded coverage
 2. Enhances asset lives and utility management – if NRW reduction leads to 24/7
 3. Improves utility financial performance (and/or reduces local government subsidies) by reducing costs and increasing revenues
 4. Makes cities more competitive when accompanied by service improvement
 5. Improves climate resilience by reducing demand on scarce water resources
 6. Reduces emission of GHGs – less energy/m³ delivered

This is not a “win win” (W²) - it is a “win win win win win win” (W⁶)

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Non Revenue Water

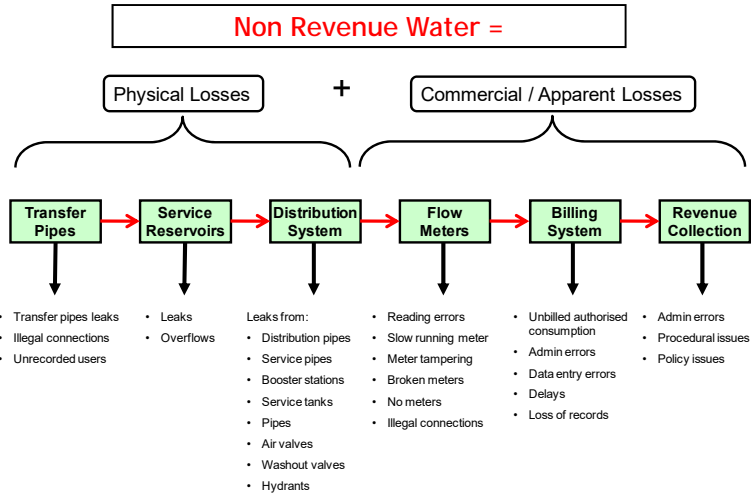
The volume of water supplied into the network that does not generate sales revenue

Usually expressed in:

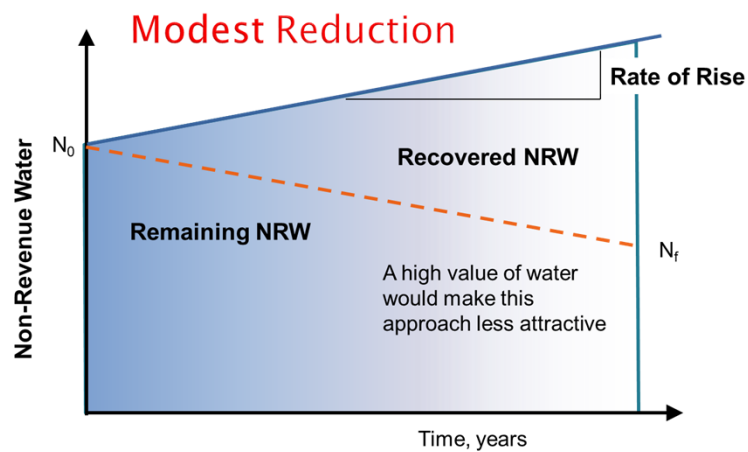
- m³/day; or
- % of $1 - \frac{\text{Water Volume Sold}}{\text{Water Volume Produced}}$



Areas of Non Revenue Water



The Nature of NRW



Some Reasons for High NRW

- Lack of management focus
- Lack of understanding or awareness
- Lack of staff motivation and incentives
- Lack of skills and training
- Poor construction standards – especially service connections
- Absence of technology for Active Leakage Control
- Others that are specific to a utility, area or country



Institutional Factors

- Denial by managers that physical losses are the main problem
- Insufficient or incomplete network zoning
- Insufficient attention to commercial loss reduction
- Absence of a powerful NRW department
- Absence of an NRW management strategy



International Water Association – Water Balance

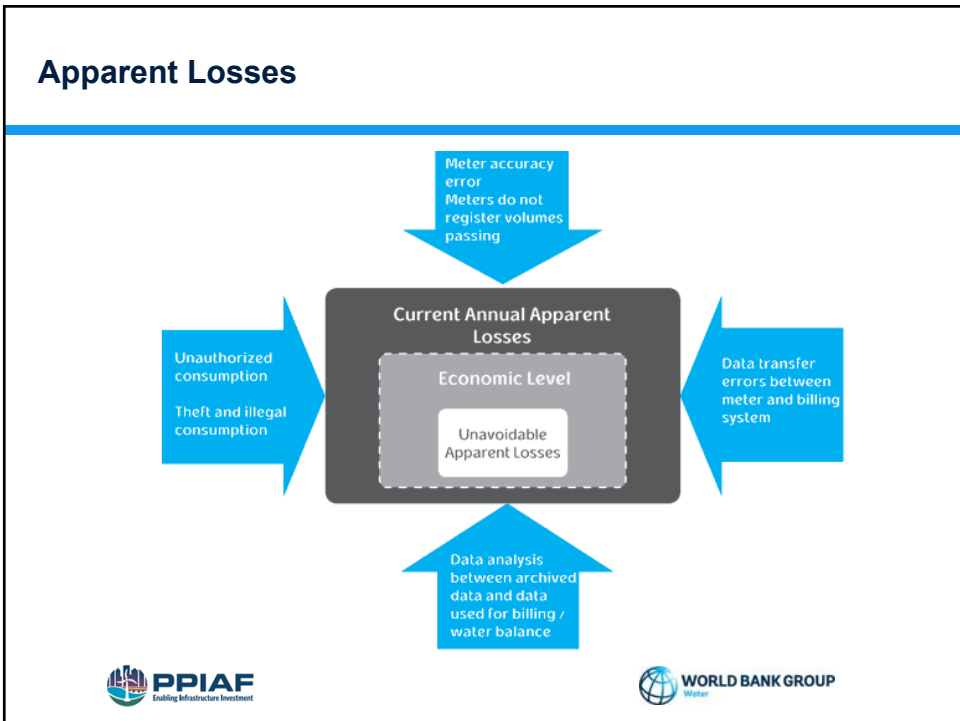
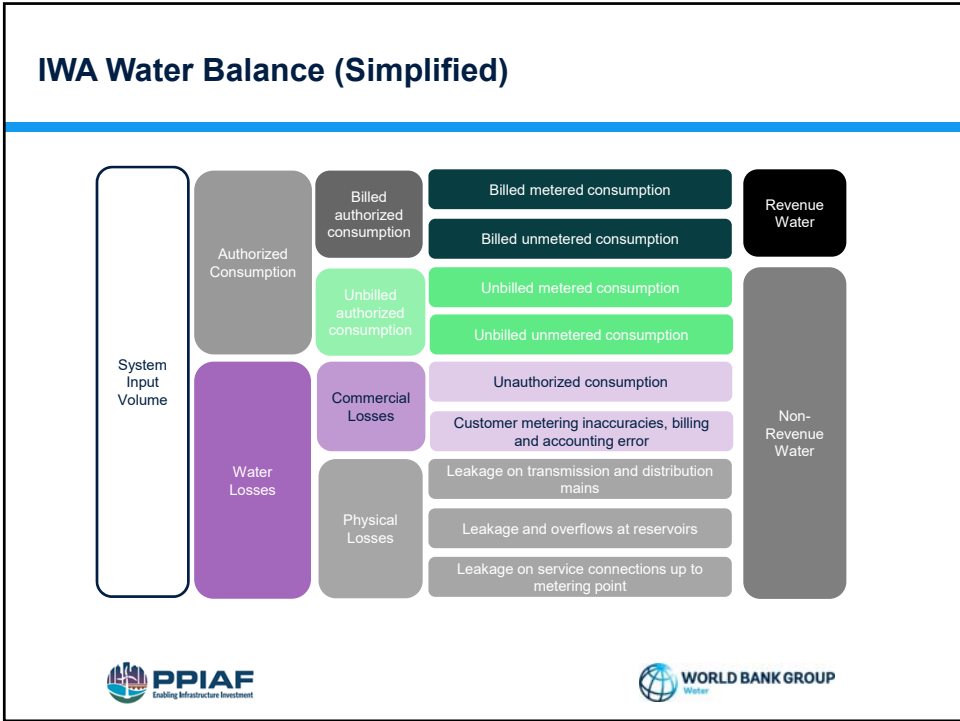
- The International Water Association (IWA) gives best practice for calculating NRW using a 'Water Balance'
- The IWA methodology is generally considered the standard for reporting NRW
- It is typical to use this methodology to baseline and calculate the NRW reduction for each DMA in a network system
- Further details are on the web-site www.iwahq.org



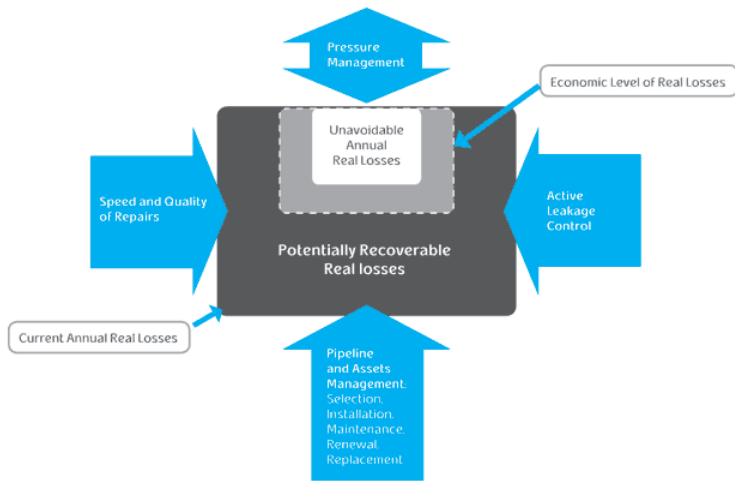
Water Balance: Scope and Goal

- The Water Balance Identifies:
 - The volume of water lost
 - Where the water is lost from
 - The value of the loss
 - The business case for reducing the loss
- The goal is to help the utility **select** and **implement** programs to **reduce and sustain** water losses and **manage** the utility as an **efficient** business



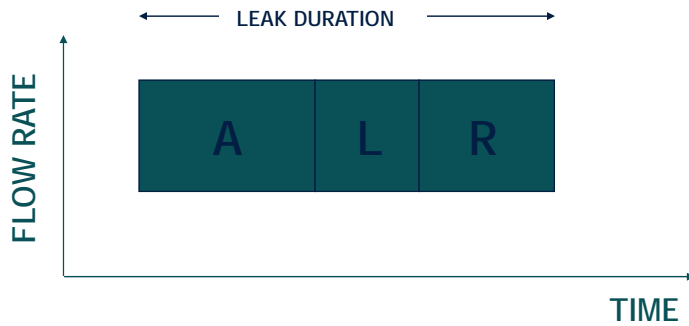


Physical Losses

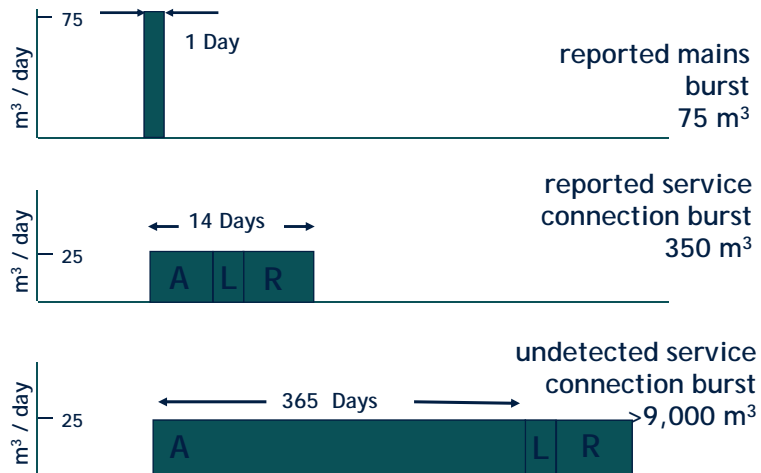


The Effect of Time

$$\text{Leak Volume} = \text{Awareness} + \text{Location} + \text{Repair Time} \times \text{Flow Rate}$$

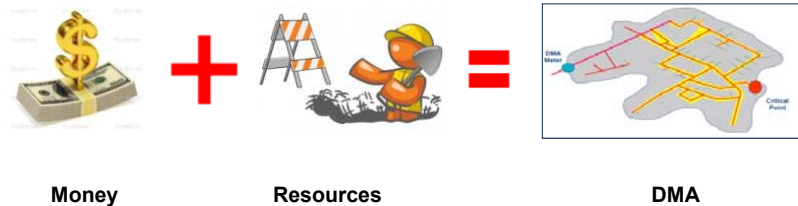


Time Makes The Difference

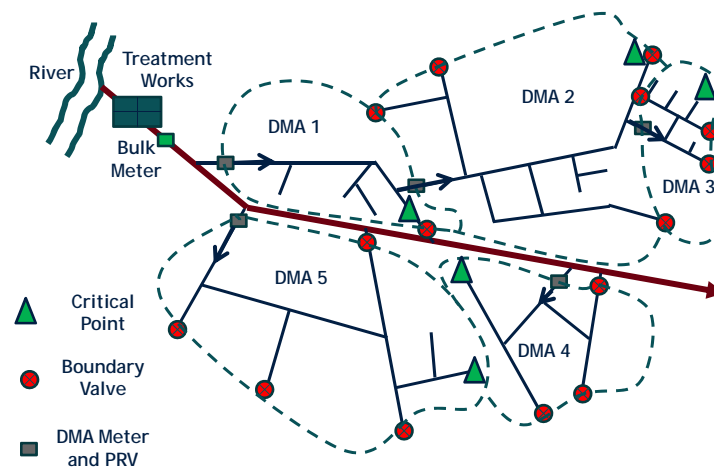


Why DMA Management?

A lot of money and resources is spent to establish DMAs



Example of DMAs



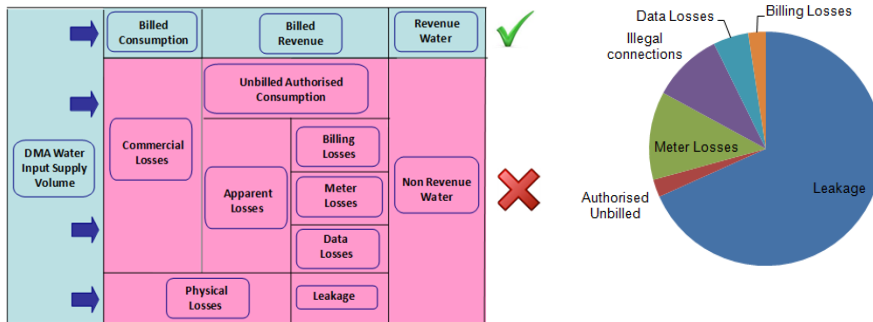
Why DMA Management?

By dividing a large, complex network into smaller metered areas, we can:

1. Monitor and prioritize leak reduction
2. Prioritise Commercial Loss reduction
3. Manage water pressure to meet Customer requirements
4. Target the most cost effective areas for capital investment
5. Allocate ownership and sense of pride to Caretakers responsible for managing and operating the DMA

NRW Components in Each DMA

- We need to calculate the DMAs' water balance components
- This allows us to prioritise our efforts to reduce NRW
- Using on-site measurements and experience, we will calculate / estimate the:
 - Leakage, and
 - Commercial Loss components



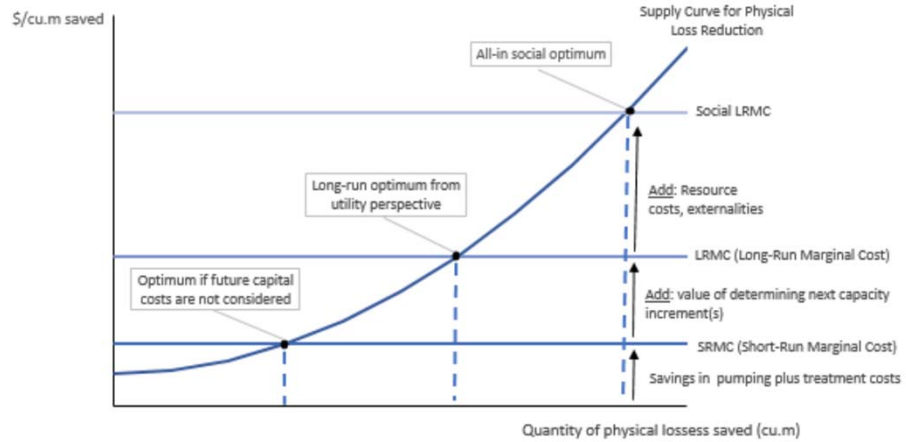
Economic Level of Leakage

The Economic Level of Leakage (ELL) is . . . :

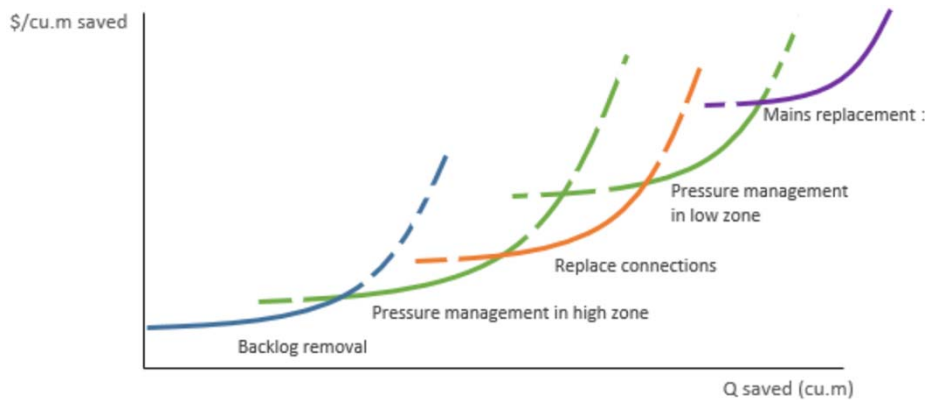
' . . . the level of leakage at which any further reduction would incur costs greater than the benefits derived from the savings'

- In theory, the ELL would serve as the water company's leakage target
- In practice, it is extremely difficult and time consuming to calculate the ELL; it is specific to each water company and even to each DMA
- Consequently, best international practice for leakage target setting uses the easier performance indicators of:
 1. Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI); and
 2. Volume of Leakage per Service Connection per Day
- Calculating these leak performance indicators enables DMAs to be prioritised for proactive leak reduction activities
- It allows leakage targets to be easily set

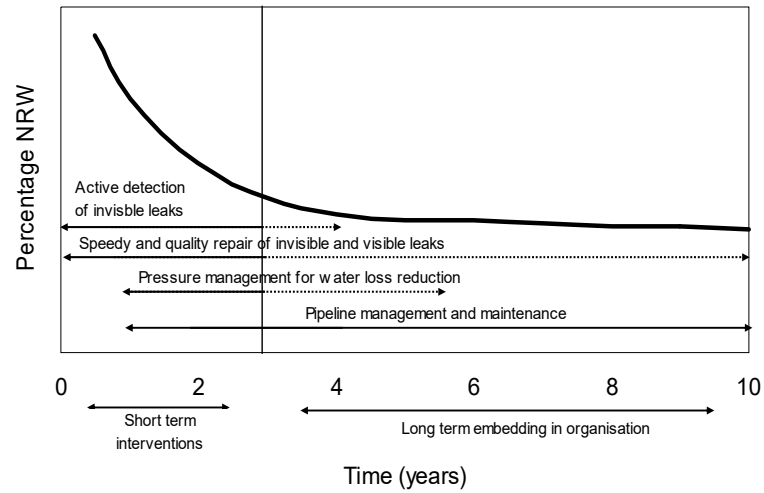
The Value of Water



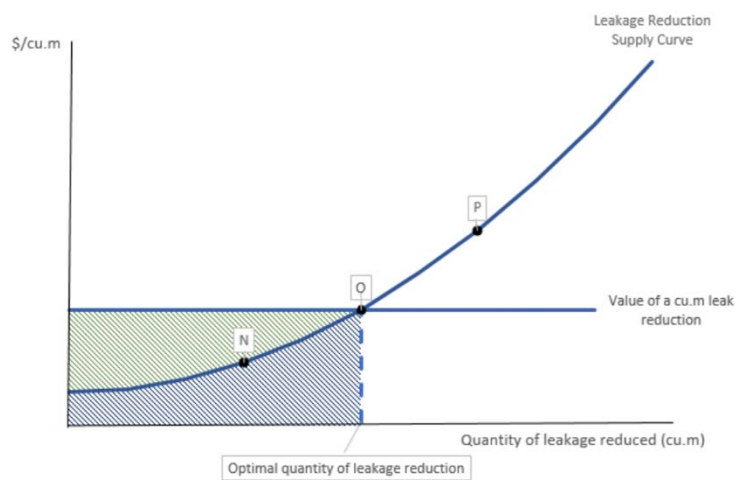
The Cost of NRW Management



The Timing of Activities



Optimization



Method 1 – Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI)

- Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI) is the ratio of:

"actual leakage" vs "best possible minimum leakage"

Referred to as
MAAPL - Minimum
Achievable Annual
Physical Losses

- It is the international indicator for water network efficiency
- An ILI of 4 is comparable with an efficient water company
- It can also be used to compare leakage performance across DMAs

Referred to as
CAPL - Current
Annual Volume of
Physical Losses

"Best possible minimum leakage" is calculated by:

| | |
|---------------------------------|---|
| On distribution pipes (Lm) = | 18 litres/km mains/day/metre of pressure + |
| On service connections (Nc) = | 0.8 litres/service connection/day/metre of pressure (property boundary) + |
| On customer supply pipes (Lp) = | 25 litres/km/day/metre of pressure (to customer meter) |



Method 1 – Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI)

Data required to calculate Minimum Achievable Leakage:

| DMA Data | Units | Source |
|---|----------------------|------------------------|
| Total length of pipe (Lm) | Km | Measured from GIS maps |
| Number of connections (Nc) | Number | Billing database |
| Total Service connection length (Lp) | Km | Estimate |
| Average DMA pressure | Metre | Logger data |
| Minimum Achievable Annual Volume of Physical Losses | m ³ / day | Calculation |

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Method 1 – Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI)

Example calculation for Minimum Achievable Leakage of a DMA:

| DMA Data | Value | Units |
|---|------------------|----------------------|
| Total length of pipe (Lm) | 4.81 | Km |
| Number of connections (Nc) | 1,196 | Number |
| Total Service connection length (Lp) | 3.6 (each at 3m) | Km |
| Average DMA pressure | 11.7 | Metre |
| Minimum Achievable Annual Volume of Physical Losses | 13.20 | m ³ / day |

$$\text{Min Leakage} = [(18 \times 4.81 \times 11.7) + (0.8 \times 1,196 \times 11.7) + (25 \times 3.6 \times 11.7)] / 1000$$

Min Achievable Leakage for DMA = 13.20 m³/day

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Evaluating Infrastructure Leakage Index

$$\text{Infrastructure Leakage Index} = \frac{\text{Actual Leakage}}{\text{Minimum Achievable Leakage}}$$

| ILI Range | Band | Leakage Reduction |
|-----------|------|--|
| < 4 | A | Further loss reduction may be uneconomical |
| 4 to < 8 | B | Lower priority |
| 8 to < 16 | C | Medium Priority |
| ≥ 16 | D | High Priority |



Method 1 – Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI)

Evaluating Infrastructure Leakage Index

| | DMA 1 | DMA 2 | DMA 3 | DMA 4 | DMA 5 | DMA 6 |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Actual Leakage | 776 | 180 | 51 | 92 | 400 | 210 |
| Minimum Possible Leakage | 13.2 | 14.9 | 17.1 | 16.4 | 11.4 | 14.6 |
| ILI | 59 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 35 | 14 |
| Category | D | C | A | B | D | C |

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Guideline Targets for ILI

| Technical Performance Category | ILI | Physical Losses [Litres/connection/day] (when the system is pressurised) at an average pressure of: | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| | | 10 m | 20 m | 30 m | 40 m | 50 m | |
| Developed Countries | A | 1 - 2 | < 50 | < 75 | < 100 | < 125 | |
| | B | 2 - 4 | 50-100 | 75-150 | 100-200 | 125-250 | |
| | C | 4 - 8 | 100-200 | 150-300 | 200-400 | 250-500 | |
| | D | > 8 | > 200 | > 300 | > 400 | > 500 | |
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| | C | 8 - 16 | 100-200 | 200-400 | 300-600 | 400-800 | 500-1000 |
| | D | > 16 | > 200 | > 400 | > 600 | > 800 | > 1000 |



Conclusion

- NRW is a well developed area but global losses are still high, solution?

A reinvigorated public sector

Or

The private sector (skills and equipment)

+

Performance based contracts (incentives)



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Physical Losses (Leakage)

Leakage is the water escaping from the distribution network before reaching the customer

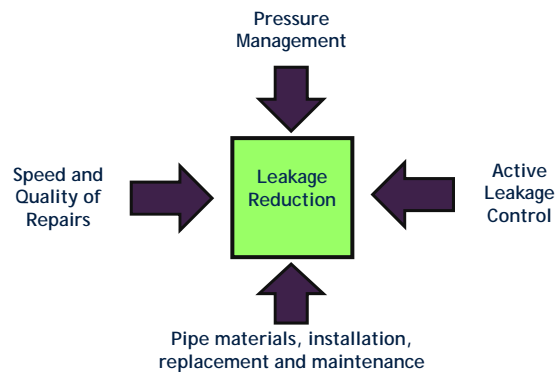
This is usually in the form of leaks from the:

- Transfer and distribution pipes;
- Joints and fittings including air valves, hydrants etc;
- Service reservoir floors and walls;
- Reservoir overflows; and
- Service connections up to the point of customer boundary or meter



The Four Approaches to Leak Reduction

Prioritise Leak Reduction Approach



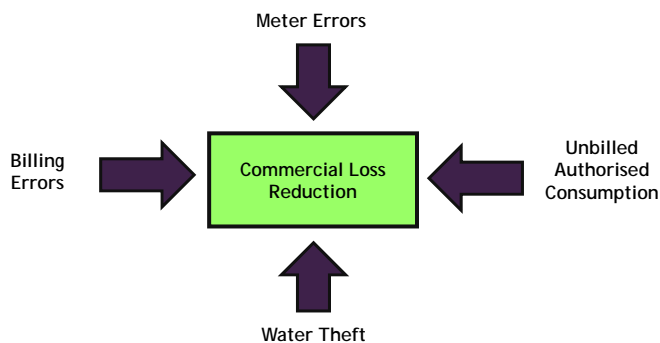
Key Components of Commercial Loss

| Commercial Loss | Component |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Unbilled Authorised Consumption | <p>Unbilled Authorised Consumption:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E.g. fire water, sewer cleaning, pipe flushing etc) |
| Apparent Losses | <p>Unauthorised Consumption:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Billing errors e.g. legitimate connection where billing team not informed, or no action taken (intentional and accidental) Permanent or temporary meter bypass Illegal connections |
| | <p>Revenue Meter Inaccuracies and Data Handling Errors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volume under-recorded by revenue meter due to its condition Over-sized revenue meters Meter tampering (water theft) Meter reader and customer collusion (water theft) 'Fictitious' readings (water theft) Data handling errors |



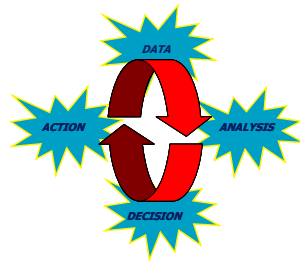
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Importance of Accurate and Reliable Data

- Measuring and collecting accurate and reliable data is critical
- We must have confidence that the water balance is accurate
- Otherwise we may waste money chasing non-existing water losses
- And our benchmark and NRW reduction progress will be in doubt
- Best practice is to allocate owners who will be responsible for collecting and reporting data



- Review the correct Data
- Do the correct Analysis
- And you will make the correct Decision
- And take the correct Action
- **NRW will reduce**



Example DMA Data to Collect and Analyze

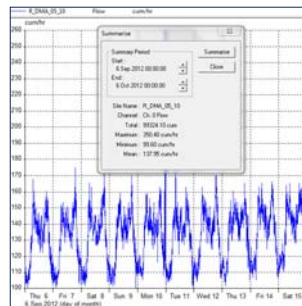
| NRW Component | Example Data to Collect and Analyze For each DMA |
|----------------------------------|--|
| DMA Water Supply Volume | Flow data from DMA meter |
| Billed water consumption | Billing database |
| Unbilled Authorised Consumption | Fire hydrants, pipe flushing, fountains etc |
| Illegal connections | Check GIS property number v actual property in DMA v billing database |
| Billing and data handling errors | Same as illegal connections Check billing database against actual meter readings |
| Meter Tampering | Analyse information from meter reading / meter replacement team |
| Revenue meters errors | Sample each age of meter and test accuracy Check meter is sized correctly Check meter is installed correctly |
| Leakage | DMA night line and legitimate night time consumption |



DMA Water Supply Input Volume

The volume of water entering a DMA over a fixed period of time

- Try to coincide the period of time with the DMA billing period
- Calculated by:
 - Physically reading the DMA meter at the start and end of the period
 - Analysing the flow data at the office (if meter fitted with GPRS / SMS)



DMA Billed Water Consumption

The volume of billed water in a DMA over a fixed period of time

- Billed volume taken from the monthly billing database
- Try and read the customer meters on the same day

| DMA | Month | Customer ID | Name | Address | Water Meter Size | Last reading | New Reading | Last Meter Read Date | New Meter Reading Date | Days of Period | Metered Consumption |
|-------|-------|-------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------|---------------------|
| 05-01 | 12 | 10142370091 | DOAN NGOC KHOA | DIEN BIEN PHU | 15 | 627 | 671 | 16/11/2011 | 15/12/2011 | 29 | 44 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 10202930229 | TRAN THI TUYET XINH | THANH THAI | 15 | 204 | 204 | 27/10/2011 | 28/11/2011 | 32 | 0 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 10243320151 | VU HUUY TU | CC 830 SU VAN HANH | 15 | 137 | 143 | 08/11/2011 | 08/12/2011 | 30 | 6 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020010 | LAI SAN MIEN | PHU THO | 15 | 921 | 958 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 37 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020011 | LUU HONG NGOC | PHUTHO | 15 | 1345 | 1397 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 52 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020020 | CHUA SUNG DUC | HONG BANG | 15 | 2407 | 2469 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 62 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020022 | NG NGOC SANG | (SAN CHUA SUNG DUC) | 15 | 608 | 726 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 118 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020029 | LE ANH TUAN | PHU THO | 15 | 1189 | 1236 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 47 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020030 | CHENH A CAU | PHU THO | 15 | 73 | 85 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 12 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020040 | NGUYEN AN MY | PHU THO | 15 | 139 | 167 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 28 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020041 | NG BINH MINH | PHU THO | 15 | 1106 | 1153 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 47 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020050 | DO TO | PHU THO | 15 | 0 | 50 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 104 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020060 | TRAN AN TRAN | PHU THO | 15 | 2415 | 2454 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 39 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020070 | LIEN CHIEU DUC | PHU THO | 15 | 36 | 43 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 7 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020071 | NG THI HOANG | PHU THO | 15 | 971 | 971 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 0 |
| 05-01 | 12 | 11011020075 | HOANG VAN TAM | PHU THO | 15 | 1052 | 1077 | 21/10/2011 | 21/11/2011 | 31 | 25 |



Unbilled Authorized Consumption

What is Unbilled Authorised Consumption?

- Water legitimately consumed but not billed
- Cannot be reduced unless there is a change in policy
- Still should be metered as part of the water balance
- This can be:
 - Water fountains
 - Pipe and sewer flushing
 - Water bowsers
 - Watering parks and gardens / sprinklers
 - Public drinking fountains
 - Fire fighting - e.g. hydrants



Illegal Connections

Illegal connections are Customers who have connected to the water network without notifying the water company; these can be:

1. Permanent connections to properties; or
2. Temporary connections for building, construction sites etc



- Loss of revenue to the water company
- Connections are likely to be poor quality - often leaking and source of contamination
- Encourages others to illegally connect



Reducing Billing Errors

- Using the same methodology for reducing illegal connections, identify legal connections not on the billing database
- Audit the end-to-end processes and make improvements (if any) for:
 - Meter read to the bill being paid
 - Estimated readings
 - Replacing meters
 - Billing reports
- Rotate meter readers to avoid customer collusion
- Use hand held meter reading devices to avoid data errors



Spot billing minimises data handling errors.



Meter Tampering

Meter tampering is customers illegally altering the revenue meter so they pay less money; common methods are:

1. Inserting a pin or needle to stop the totaliser moving
2. Blocking the meter inlet or chamber
3. Placing a powerful magnet to break the magnetic coupling of impellers and gears
4. Reversing the meter
5. Temporary removal of the meter
6. Hitting the meter hard - some meters now come with an impact warning system
7. Cutting or damaging the impellor

To complete the water balance, we have to identify the reduced consumption of these tampered meters



Examples of Meter Tampering



Pipe used to partially bypass water meter.



Water meter removed and replaced with straight pipe.



Meter magnet



What is the Impact of Meter Tampering

Water is being consumed without the full volume being measured and billed

- Loss of revenue to the water company
- Encourages others to tamper meters

Reducing the risk of meter tampering:

- Select good quality meters that have anti-tampering devices
 - Impact alarms
 - Magnet proof
 - Toughened bodies and dial
 - Meter seals
 - Non return valves



The Elster V100 has all these features



Reducing Meter Tampering – Proactive Approach

For each DMA:

- Set alarms in the billing system for:
 - Large variations in monthly consumption
 - Substantially reduced consumption compared to similar occupied households
- Establish an anonymous and free telephone number for reporting suspect meter fraud
- Enforce and prosecute customers who have committed meter fraud (this may also include plumbing / meter installation companies)
- Identify those DMA with frequent meter tampering for targeted publicity, education and enforcement
- Train the meter readers on how to detect tampered meters
- Regularly and randomly rotate meter readers



Reducing Meter Tampering – Reactive Approaches

1) Billing database Showing occupied properties with no billed consumption

| Customer ID | Consumption Norm (4m ³ x occ rate) | Meter Status Code | Billed Consumption (m ³) |
|-------------|--|----------------------|---|
| 11011020166 | 16 | 4 | 0 |
| 11011041260 | 16 | 4 | 0 |
| 11011041350 | 8 | 4 | 0 |
| 11011061020 | 4 | 4 | 0 |
| 11011061252 | 24 | 4 | 0 |

2) Exceptionally Low Consumption for Investigation

| Consumption Norm (4m ³ x occ rate) | No. of meters registering 50% or less of the Normal Consumption | | | |
|--|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | 1 m ³ /month | 2 m ³ /month | 3 m ³ /month | 4 m ³ /month |
| 4 m ³ | 36 | 27 | | |
| 8 m ³ | 38 | 24 | 28 | 1,878 |
| 12 m ³ | 52 | 37 | 37 | 2,841 |
| 16 m ³ | 93 | 72 | 63 | 4,995 |
| 20 m ³ | 45 | 35 | 36 | 2,585 |

It can be seen that 3 m³/month or less is unusual and should be investigated for fraud or meter error

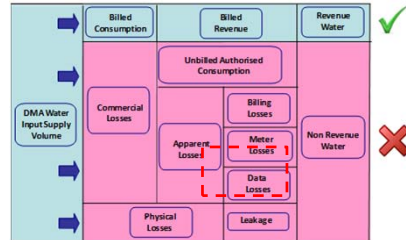
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Revenue Meter Errors

Meter errors are produced by the following:

1. Incorrect sizing
2. Their Class
3. Their condition:
 - Age
 - Water quality
 - Maintenance regime
4. Incorrect installation



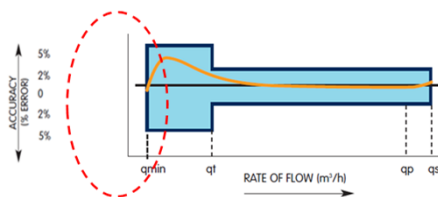
Impact of meter errors:

1. Almost all meter errors result in them under-reading
2. The meters will read less than the actual water volume being consumed;
3. Consequently, a proportion of the consumed water is not billed to the customer - loss in revenue



Meter Errors – Incorrect Size (too big)

1. Over-sized meters result in under-reading as the meter cannot detect low flows

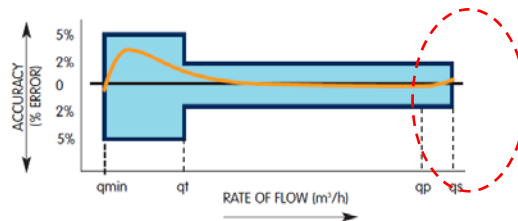


This 150mm meter should have been 80 mm; it under-reads by 15%



Meter Errors – Incorrect Size (too small)

- Under-sized meters also result in under-reading as the meter becomes damaged at high flows



- Electro-Magnetic meters have a better tolerance to size than mechanical meters:
 - No moving parts to damage
 - Wider flow range



Meter Errors – Class

- There are four types of ISO meter classes: - A, B, C and D
- A = least accurate and D = most accurate for measuring low flows
- A = least expensive and D = most expensive
- It is important to measure low flows where customers have private water tanks - e.g. Vietnam

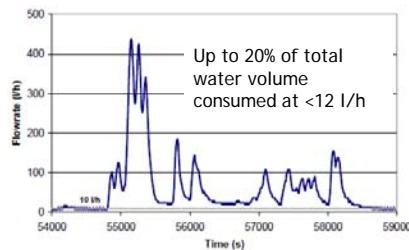
| Meter Class | Q nominal | Q min |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Class A | 1.5 m³/hour | 60 litres / hour |
| Class B | 1.5 m³/hour | 30 litres / hour |
| Class C | 1.5 m³/hour | 15 litres / hour |
| Class D | 1.5 m³/hour | 11.25 litres / hour |



Meter Error – Low Flow Class

Example meter error from a Class C revenue meter

| Meter Class C | Low Flow Accuracy Error |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| < 12 l/h | 100% under read |
| 12 to 30 l/h | 15% under-read |
| 30 to 120 l/h | 5% under-read |



Meter Errors – Condition Due to Age

- The older a meter is, the more it will under-read water volume
- The mechanics start to wear, causing increased friction
- The rate of deterioration is dependent on water quality and meter type
- The meters will reach a point where the loss in revenue justifies the cost of meter replacement
- The replacement age is different for each water company, as it is also a function of water tariff
- The economic age of replacement is typically between 5 and 12 years



Meter Errors – Condition Due to Age

We need to:

- Determine the average accuracy of customer meters due to their age
- Identify whether the meter replacement policy is economically justified

Methodology:

- Remove a sample of working revenue meters for each age group
- Test the meter accuracy on a calibration testing machine
- Use the results to extrapolate the average meter under-read across each DMA; for example:

| Age (years) | No. of Meters April 2010 | Proportion | % Under Read | Consumption (m ³) | Under read (m ³) |
|--------------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 0 - 5 | 7,868 | 33% | 2% | 212,442 | 4,248.8 |
| 6 - 10 | 5,957 | 25% | 2% | 160,858 | 3,217.2 |
| 11 - 15 | 5,538 | 23% | 4% | 149,545 | 5,981.8 |
| 16 - 20 | 2,391 | 10% | 16% | 64,555 | 10,328.7 |
| >20 | 2,149 | 9% | 30% | 58,035 | 17,410.4 |
| Total | 23,904 | 100% | 5% | NRW | 41,187 |



Meter Errors – Maintenance Regime

Meters operating in poor quality water require frequent filter cleaning to remove deposits:



- Blockages and mineral deposits cause meters to under-read
- Inaccuracy measured using same method as for age
- Does the water company use and clean meter filters?



Meter Errors – Incorrect Installation

- Meters require upstream and downstream straight length pipes to provide uniform velocity profile
- In general:

| Meter Type | Upstream Straight Length | Downstream Straight Length |
|------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Electro-Magnetic | 3 x pipe diameter | 2 x pipe diameter |
| Mechanical | 10 x pipe diameter | 5 x pipe diameter |

- Insufficient straight length distance can result in both over-read and under-read errors (typically 2 to 5% error)
- An estimate for meter error will be required for the water balance



Meter Errors – Incorrect Installation



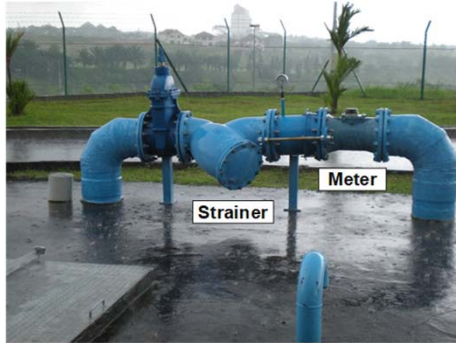
Wrong



Right



Meter Issues – Factory Meter Example



Size and Installation:

- Meter oversized (300mm)
- Insufficient straight lengths
- Meter damaged by air in pipe
- Under-reads (this example by 7,000m³/month)
- Significant revenue loss
- Contributes to NRW
- Customer unaware of his true water consumption



Meter Errors – Mounting Position Errors

- Domestic meters are sensitive to their mounting position
- Using Single Jet Meters as an example

| Meter Class | Horizontal Position | 45° Position | Vertical Position |
|-------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| Class B | - 1.2% | - 4.5% | - 7.9% |
| Class C | + 1.3% | - 2.9% | - 6.0% |

- Volumetric meters are generally unaffected by mounting position
- An estimate for meter error will be required for the water balance



Meter Error Action Plan

| # | Potential Meter Issue | Action |
|---|-----------------------|---|
| 1 | Meter Size | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Survey sample meters Prioritise under-reading meters for replacement If required, establish procedure for sizing new meters |
| 2 | Meter Age | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish age of meters Sample different age meters for accuracy Develop a prioritised and economic meter replacement programme |
| 3 | Meter Maintenance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Take sample meters from different areas Establish extent of meter blockages Identify best economic policy – reactive or proactive maintenance |
| 4 | Meter installation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Survey meter installations and evaluate Identify any large industrial meters for re-locating If required, establish standard meter installation designs |
| 5 | Meter Mounting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Survey meter mountings and evaluate If required, establish standard meter installation designs |



Calculating DMA Leakage

There are two methods to calculate DMA leakage:

1. Top-Down - subtract the Commercial Losses from the NRW
2. Bottom-Up - Measure the Minimum Night Flow and subtract the Legitimate Night Flow; then apply a pressure correction factor
 - Top-Down method is easier to calculate, but less accurate as many of the Commercial Loss components are estimated
 - Bottom-Up method requires complex measurement, but gives an accurate leakage figure

Best practice is to use both methods and compare as a 'check'



Calculating Leakage Using the Top-Down Method

1. Measure the monthly water into and out of the DMA to calculate the DMA input supply volume
2. Calculate the billed water volume for that period
3. Calculate the NRW by subtracting the billed volume from the supply volume
4. Estimate the Commercial Losses in the DMA
5. Subtract the Commercial Losses from the NRW to calculate leakage

| | | |
|---|---|----------------------------|
| DMA Input Supply 12,000 m ³ | Billed Consumption 7,500 m ³ (63%) | |
| | Commercial Loss 1,000 m ³ (8%) | Non Revenue Water |
| | Leakage 3,500 m ³ (29%) | 4,500 m ³ (37%) |

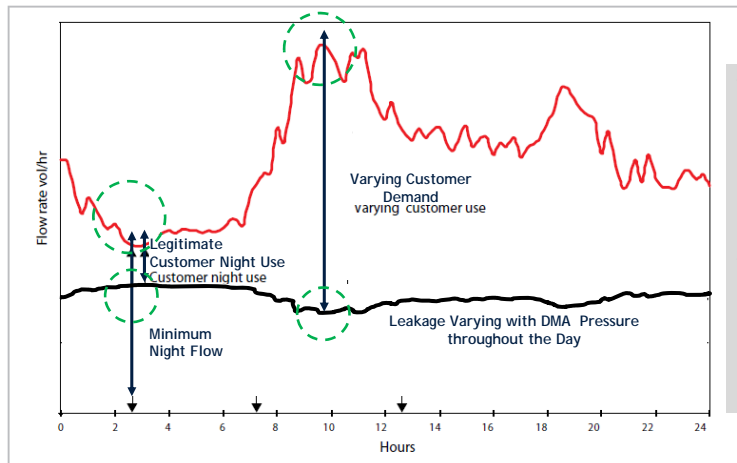


Estimating Commercial Loss for the Top-Down Method

| Commercial Loss Component | Data Source and Assumptions | Estimated NRW (m ³ /day) | Estimated NRW (%) |
|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Unbilled Authorised Consumption | Billing department; fire hydrants metered when flushing | 120 | 1% |
| Billing Errors | Billing database checked against GIS and walked DMA – no errors | 0 | 0% |
| Illegal Connections | Average value from GIS / DMA and billing database check | 50 | 0.4% |
| Meter inaccurate – age | Meter sample calibration test (meters average under read of 5%) | 375 | 3.1% |
| Meter inaccurate –class | Class B meters under read test | 150 | 1.3% |
| Meter inaccurate – size | Large revenue meter audit | 0 | 0% |
| Meter inaccurate - installation | Meter audit – meters installed correctly | 0 | 0% |
| Meter inaccurate - Tampering | Data taken from meter repair / calibration workshop | 225 | 1.9% |
| Data Handling Errors | Meter reading audit | 80 | 0.7% |
| Commercial Loss | | 1,000 | 8.3% |



Calculating Leakage Using the Bottom-Up Method



- Peak demand = lowest DMA pressure = lowest level of daily leakage
- Night demand = highest DMA pressure = highest level of daily leakage



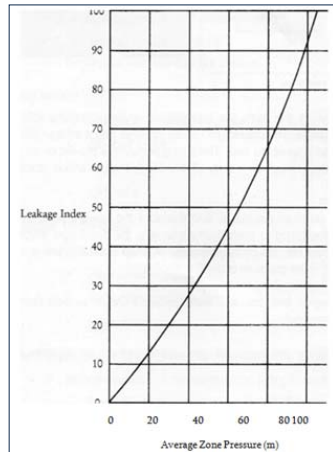
Calculating Leakage Using the Bottom-Up Method

- Identify the Minimum Night Flow (MNF) from the logged DMA meter
- The MNF is the lowest hourly average flow into the DMA over a 24-hour period
- Identify typical Legitimate Night Flow (LNF)
 - Domestic customers - toilet flushing, washing machines etc; use a standard legitimate night time factor, or measured sample
 - Large exceptional commercial users (>500 l/h) - manually night time read or log the meter
- Calculate the Net Night Flow: $NNF = MNF - LNF$
- Leakage is proportional to pressure, so we need to adjust the NNF to represent the average leakage through the day
- Apply a pressure correction factor; typically:
 - average daily DMA pressure / MNF pressure

The calculated volume is the DMA leakage



Pressure and Leakage Relationship



- The relationship between pressure and leakage is almost linear
- A 10% decrease in pressure can produce a 10% decrease in leakage
- Reducing pressure is the most cost effective method for reducing leakage



Calculating Leakage Using the Bottom-Up Method – Example

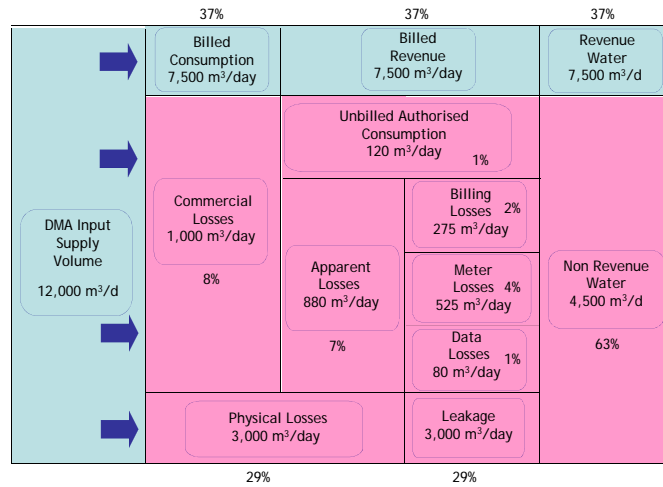
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|--|------------------------------------|
| Minimum Night Flow into DMA (MNF) | = 13 m³/hour |
| Number of domestic connections in DMA | = 500 |
| Average DMA occupancy rate | = 5 |
| Legitimate Domestic Night Use factor ^{Note 1} | = 1.7 litres / person / hour |
| Legitimate Domestic Night Use = 500 x 5 x 1.7 / 1000 | = 4.25 m ³ /hour |
| Measured Exceptional Night Use | = 1 m ³ /hour |
| Night leakage (L ₀) = 13 – 4.25 – 1 | = 7.75 m ³ /hour |
| Measured night pressure (P ₀) | = 25 metres |
| Measured average DMA pressure (P ₁) | = 15 metres |
| Therefore average DMA leakage (L ₁) = 7.75 x (15/25) | = 4.65 m ³ /hour |
| Or, average DMA leakage (L₁) | = 3,348 m³/month |

Note 1 - IWA Standard Factor

Compares well with the Top-Down leakage result of 3,500 m³/month

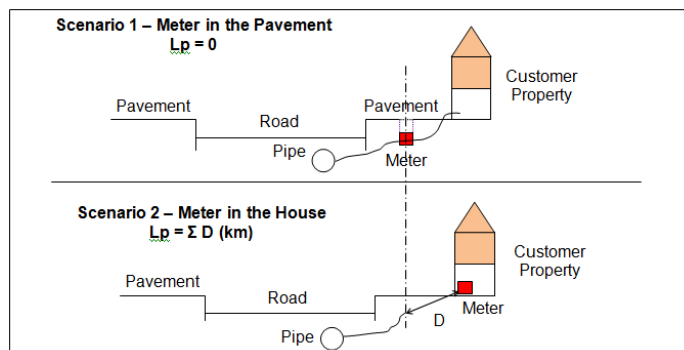


Completed IWA Water Balance



Measuring Customer Supply Pipe Length

L_p is the sum of the pipe lengths from the property boundary to the customer meter



Easier to estimate an average distance 'D' for the DMA ($L_p = \Sigma D$)



Method 1 – Infrastructure Leakage Index

Evaluating Infrastructure Leakage Index

| | DMA 1 | DMA 2 | DMA 3 | DMA 4 | DMA 5 | DMA 6 |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Actual Leakage | 776 | 180 | 51 | 92 | 400 | 210 |
| Minimum Possible Leakage | 13.2 | 14.9 | 17.1 | 16.4 | 11.4 | 14.6 |
| ILI | 59 | 12 | 3 | 6 | 35 | 14 |
| Category | D | C | A | B | D | C |

| ILI Range | Band | Leakage Reduction |
|-----------|------|--|
| < 4 | A | Further loss reduction may be uneconomical |
| 4 to < 8 | B | Lower priority |
| 8 to < 16 | C | Medium Priority |
| ≥ 16 | D | High Priority |



Method 2 – Leakage / Connections / Day

Evaluating the Leakage / Connections / Day

- Simply divide the DMA daily leakage by the number of service connections
- Then reference the performance category from the average DMA pressure
- Example - if the average DMA pressure is 10 m:

| NRW Management Performance Category | NRW in litres/connection/day when the system is pressurised at an average DMA pressure of: | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| | 10m | 20m | 30m | 40m | 50m |
| A1 | <55 | <80 | <105 | <130 | <155 |
| A2 | 55-110 | 80-160 | 105-210 | 130-260 | 155-310 |
| B | 110-220 | 160-320 | 210-420 | 260-520 | 310-620 |
| C | 220-400 | 320-600 | 420-800 | 520-1000 | 620-1200 |
| D | >400 | >600 | >800 | >1000 | >1200 |



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| Actual Leakage | 776 | 180 | 51 | 92 | 400 | 210 |
| # of Connections | 1,196 | 1,515 | 1,603 | 1,652 | 1,298 | 1,573 |
| Leakage / connection | 648 | 119 | 32 | 56 | 308 | 133 |
| Category | D | B | A1 | A2 | C | B |

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| A1 | <55 | <80 | <105 | <130 | <155 |
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| D | >400 | >600 | >800 | >1000 | >1200 |



Leakage Target Setting Using ILI

| | DMA 1 | DMA 2 | DMA 3 | DMA 4 | DMA 5 | DMA 6 |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Actual Leakage | 776 | 180 | 51 | 92 | 400 | 210 |
| Leak Reduction Volume | 700 | 90 | 0 | 0 | 330 | 120 |
| Target leakage (m ³ /day) | 76 | 90 | 51 | 92 | 70 | 90 |
| Minimum Possible Leakage | 13.2 | 14.9 | 17.1 | 16.4 | 11.4 | 14.6 |
| ILI | 6 | 6 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Category | B | B | A | B | B | B |

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Leakage Target Setting Using L/C/D of Pressure

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| Actual leakage | 776 | 180 | 51 | 92 | 400 | 210 |
| Number of connections | 1,196 | 1,515 | 1,603 | 1,652 | 1,298 | 1,573 |
| Target leakage (m ³ /day) | 700 | 90 | 0 | 0 | 334 | 117 |
| Leakage after project | 76 | 90 | 51 | 92 | 66 | 93 |
| Leakage / connection | 63 | 59 | 32 | 56 | 51 | 59 |
| Category | A2 | A2 | A1 | A2 | A2 | A2 |

| NRW Management Performance Category | NRW in litres/connection/day when the system is pressurised at an average DMA pressure of: | | | | |
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| D | IAP-400 | >600 | >800 | W1000 BANK GROUP | 1200 |