

PART 2: PRICING DATA

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C2.1 Pricing assumptions: Option B

1. The *conditions of contract*

1.1. How work is priced and assessed for payment

Clause 11 in NEC3 Engineering and Construction Contract, June 2005 (ECC3) Option B states:

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	11.2	<p>(21) The Bill of Quantities is the <i>bill of quantities</i> as changed in accordance with this contract to accommodate implemented compensation events and for accepted quotations for acceleration.</p> <p>(28) The Price for Work Done to Date is the total of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the quantity of the work which the <i>Contractor</i> has completed for each item in the Bill of Quantities multiplied by the rate and a proportion of each lump sum which is the proportion of the work covered by the item which the <i>Contractor</i> has completed. <p>Completed work is work without Defects which would either delay or be covered by immediately following work.</p> <p>(31) The Prices are the lump sums and the amounts obtained by multiplying the rates by the quantities for the items in the Bill of Quantities.</p>

This confirms that Option B is a re-measurement contract and the bill comprises only items measured using quantities and rates or stated as lump sums. Value related items are not used. Time related items are items measured using rates where the rate is a unit of time.

1.2. Function of the Bill of Quantities

Clause 55.1 in Option B states, "Information in the Bill of Quantities is not Works Information or Site Information". This confirms that instructions to do work or how it is to be done are not included in the Bill, but in the Works Information. This is further confirmed by Clause 20.1 which states, "The *Contractor* Provides the Works in accordance with the Works Information". Hence the *Contractor* does **not** Provide the Works in accordance with the Bill of Quantities. The Bill of Quantities is only a pricing document.

1.3. Guidance before pricing and measuring

Employers preparing tenders or contract documents, and tendering contractors are advised to consult the sections dealing with the bill of quantities in the NEC3 Engineering and Construction Contract (June 2005) Guidance Notes before preparing the *bill of quantities* or before entering rates and lump sums into the *bill*.

The NEC approach to the P & G bill assumes use will be made of method related charges for Equipment applied to Providing the Works based on durations shown in the Accepted Programme, fixed charges for the use of Equipment that is required throughout the construction phase, time related charges for people working in a supervisory capacity for the period required, and lump sum charges for other facilities or services not directly related to performing work items typically included in other parts of the bill.

The P & G section of the bill is not used for the assessment of compensation events.

2. Measurement and payment

2.1. Symbols

The units of measurement described in the Bill of Quantities are metric units abbreviated as follows:

Abbreviation	Unit
%	percent
h	hour
ha	hectare
kg	kilogram
kl	kilolitre
km	kilometre
km-pass	kilometre-pass
kPa	kilopascal
kW	kilowatt
l	litre
m	metre
mm	millimetre
m ²	square metre
m ² -pass	square metre pass
m ³	cubic metre
m ³ -km	cubic metre-kilometre
MN	meganewton
MN.m	meganewton-metre
MPa	megapascal
No.	number
Prov sum ¹	provisional sum
PC-sum	prime cost sum
R/only	Rate only
sum	Lump sum
t	ton (1000kg)
W/day	Work day

2.2. General assumptions

- 2.2.1. Unless otherwise stated, items are measured net in accordance with the drawings, and no allowance has been made in the quantities for waste.
- 2.2.2. The Prices and rates stated for each item in the Bill of Quantities shall be treated as being fully inclusive of all work, risks, liabilities, obligations, overheads, profit and everything necessary as incurred or required by the *Contractor* in carrying out or providing that item.
- 2.2.3. An item against which no Price is entered will be treated as covered by other Prices or rates in the *bill of quantities*.
- 2.2.4. The quantities contained in the Bill of Quantities may not be final and do not necessarily represent the actual amount of work to be done. The quantities of work assessed and certified

¹ Provisional Sums should not be used unless absolutely unavoidable. Rather include specifications and associated bill items for the most likely scope of work, and then change later using the compensation event procedure if necessary.

for payment by the *Project Manager* at each assessment date will be used for determining payments due.

- 2.2.5. The short descriptions of the items of payment given in the *bill of quantities* are only for the purposes of identifying the items. Detail regarding the extent of the work entailed under each item is provided in the Works Information.

2.3. Departures from the *method of measurement*

2.3.1.

2.4. Amplification of or assumptions about measurement items

For the avoidance of doubt the following is provided to assist in the interpretation of descriptions given in the *method of measurement*. In the event of any ambiguity or inconsistency between the statements in the *method of measurement* and this section, the interpretation given in this section shall be used.

2.4.1.

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ITEM	MATERIAL	SERIAL NUMBER	QUANTITY
10	6.6kV, 3 phase NEUTRAL EARTH COMPENSATOR, Rated 2000A for 10 seconds, 140A Continuous		1
20	BASE FRAME STAND		1