



ASSURING REVENUE FOR MUNICIPALITIES







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Who We Are

Cigicell is the foremost Revenue Assurance service provider for Municipalities across South Africa. We collect more than R20 Billion worth of prepaid electricity annually for over 95 municipalities as well as Eskom. We have assembled a team of revenue assurance specialists who pride themselves on making sure that municipal customers pay the right amount for electricity and water usage. Our team also implements systems and methodologies which will alert the municipality of any tampering or theft taking place on the electricity or water networks

Cigicell has a very strong balance sheet and we have an appetite for funding municipal infrastructure in the electricity and water space at our own risk.

The uniqueness of our model is that we pose no financial risk to the municipality. The municipality only pays for our services if we can produce additional revenue for the municipality. Thank you for taking the time to read through our brochure.







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Prepaid Electricity and Water Revenue Collection

We provide a fully STS compliant, ISO9001 certified meter management system to the municipality. It is fully hosted by Cigicell and user rights access controlled. Full reporting suite is available for technical and revenue department to comply with auditor general requirements. The system provides for Incline Block Tariffs and Arrears Collection on a single Point of Contact.Our core purpose is to assure municipalities that we will collect their revenue for water and electricity services delivered to customers. We make sure the right amount is billed and the revenue is collected promptly

Bill Payment Services

Cigicell provides additional pay points for customers to pay their municipality invoice. These pay points include corporate and



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informal independent retailers.







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Leading Banking and Retail Prepaid Top-Up Channels

Cigicell offers municipal prepaid electricity and water customers the ability to purchase their prepaid tokens and pay their municipal bills via safe, convenient and reliable channels. These channels include all banking apps, major corporate retailer till points and strategically placed informal retail locations.

MSCOA compliant Financial Management System

Cigicell offers municipalities a fully MSCOA compliant financial management system. A full demonstration of this system is available upon request.

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TID Rollover Compliant

All STS prepaid meters in South Africa need to be rolled over to the new STS version by November 2023. Our system is now compliant to the new version and we offer municipalities a solution for the rollover to be completed on time.

Assuring Electricity and Water Revenue for Municipalities

Our core purpose is to assure municipalities that we will collect their revenue for water and electricity services delivered to customers. We make sure the right amount is billed and the revenue is collected promptly.

No-Risk Funding of Metering Audits and Meter Replacements Cigicell has the appetite for investing in municipal metering infrastructure at risk, meaning we only get paid for our services if we demonstrate an improvement in revenue collection as a result of the work we do for the municipality. Therefore there is no financial risk to the municipality, only upside.

Specialist Large Power User Audit Team

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Municipalities predominantly earn most of their revenue from

Large Power Users (LPU). It is critical to ensure that the correct

NERSA-Approved tariff is being used per LPU and that the meter is

installed correctly and being read remotely (AMI).



Plugging Revenue Leaks for Municipalities

We have the ability to implement energy and water balancing methodologies which will pinpoint where there are revenue leaks in the municipality infrastructure.

Eradicating Ghost Vendors

The scourge of so called "Ghost Vending" will be eradicated fully once we have completed the prepaid meter audit.

Reconstruction of Under-Billed Electricity Accounts

NERSA allows municipalities to reconstruct erroneous accounts by up to 36 months in arrears. Cigicell has a team of expert account re-constructors who will do all the necessary research, paperwork and final reconstruction of the account. We also provide the municipality with expert witnesses should the customer dispute the findings and the matter goes to a court of law.

Refinancing Eskom Debt

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As part of our revenue assurance ecosystem, Cigicell has the

financial capacity to assist municipalities with re-financing their

debt owed to Eskom for electricity usage. Our financial experts

offer a detailed package solution with the main aim being to leave

the municipality in a far better financial position.



Emergency Electricity Solution

Cigicell is pioneering the emergency prepaid solution, offering customers who need a small amount of prepaid electricity in an emergency the ability to take an advance from Cigicell and repay us when they top-up again through the regular channels. This solution has been approved by NERSA.

Credit Control and Data Cleansing

Cigicell offers municipalities the full array of credit control and data cleansing solutions. It is vitality important for municipalities to penalise customers who break the law by tampering with municipal meters or customers who refuse to pay for services delivered to them by the municipality. Cigicell has systems which will ensure that customer data is cleaned up and geo-located using the latest technology. Penalty notices are delivered and resultant disconnections and/or reconnections are carried out efficiently.

Meter Tamper Detection

Our systems allow us to alert the municipality as soon as a small, medium or large power user tampers with their meter.

Full Smart Metering Solution



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Our Smart Metering solution facilitates the implementation of Time of Use tariffs

for residential customers. It also allows load limiting and remote

disconnections/reconnections of customers. It affords the municipality revenue

and technical departments a real-time view of the status of their prepaid meter

base.



Arrears Collection via Prepaid Purchases

Municipal debt amount is loaded onto the customer's prepaid meter and a percentage of prepaid purchases is automatically allocated to the debt. We believe this is the single most efficient way for a municipality to collect debt.

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