

AMI SERVICE OFFERINGS

NextGen Metrics service solutions are based on experience deploying and maintaining millions of AMI meters. They include:

- GIS services with expertise in geo coding, mapping, navigation and route optimization
- Consulting services that includes project management, custom software development, systems integration, xDoc operations, and materials management
- Server hosting and handheld computer rentals for AMI projects of all sizes



GIS SERVICES FOR AMR DEPLOYMENT

NextGen Metrics GIS services implement solutions that continuously improve SDP location accuracy with each location measurement.

Geo Coding Services

- Bulk File Processing. Real time geo coding on your bulk files in any format. Returned values include lat, lon, and geo code accuracy.
- Manual Processing. Some bulk file records may fail to obtain a geo code match or may only return the 5 digit zip centroid. Points without an address such as street signs and water pumps also fail bulk geo code processing. Our manual processing can improve the accuracy for these cases using other directional information that may be available.

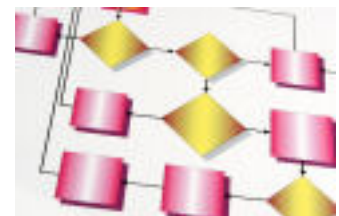
GIS Consulting

- Technical Support. Implementing a GIS system to support Field Operations may go beyond the experience of the typical GIS user. Rent our expertise to review GIS strategies, implement GPS measurement programs or just to fill technical gaps.
- Training. Whether using our GIS tools or implementing your own solutions, users, developers and those managing AMR deployments may need GIS training. We can assist at any stage of a project to help critical personnel get the training they need for success.

TECHNICAL CONSULTING FOR AMR FIELD OPERATIONS

NextGen Metrics millions of AMR meter installations experience brings process and quality control expertise to your AMR field operations project.

- Project Management. PMI Certified, AMR experienced.
- xDoc Operations. Asset Management, Operational Processes, Training
- Quality Programs. AMR specific SPC programs
- Systems integration.
- Custom software development in handheld environments.



R5 HOSTING SERVICES

Secure high availability virtual and dedicated servers to meet the requirements of any installation project.

Virtual Servers

Virtual Servers are inexpensive solutions to field automation for small deployments and trials. Best of breed routers and servers, 24X7 monitors and physical security assure reliable and safe data management. No set up fees when using NGM standard XML interfaces. Minimum one month. Combine with Handheld rentals for extra value.

- Small Deployments. Server supports R5 software for meter deployments up to 50K with installation rates up to 1500 meters/day.
- Mid size Deployments. Server supports R5 software for meter deployments up to 150K with installation rates up to 2000 meters/day.
- Custom Deployments. Virtual servers and bandwidth sized with R5 software to meet your specific deployment needs.

Dedicated Servers

Dedicated servers offer higher bandwidth and data storage capabilities for larger deployments or where additional data control is desired. Dedicated servers can typically be configured and operational with NGM standard XML interfaces within 24 hours. Hosting plans starting at a minimum of 2 months. No set up fees for dedicated server hosting contracts greater than 6 months.

- 120 to 600 GB disk storage
- 500 to 2000 GB Bandwidth
- Celeron, Pentium, and Core 2 Duo processor choices
- Ram to 2 GB
- Raid 1 (disk mirroring)
- FTP Backup

HANDHELD RENTAL

Minimize capital investments. Rent rugged field ready handhelds from NextGen Metrics. Our no additional cost next day replacement service keeps deployment schedules on track.

Our mobileR5 application runs on nearly all handhelds with the Microsoft® Windows® CE 5.0 operating system. NextGen Metrics has partnered with **Two Technologies, Inc.** to offer rugged handhelds at affordable price points. These handheld computers offer functionality needed for basic AMR meter deployments plus the options necessary to support the most demanding installation requirements.

- Microsoft® Windows® CE 5.0
- Intel PXA270 XScale® processor – 624MHz
- Rugged, IP 65 rated
- Sunlight readable 320 X 240 pixel QVGA-TFT color display with touch screen
- Nickel Metal Hydride batteries for 8+ hours average operating time

Options include:

- Integrated 5MP Camera with auto focus and illumination
- Flash Memory options from 512MB to 8+GB
- Up to 3 serial ports (RS232, RS422, RS485, USB)
- Peripherals (cables, chargers, hangers and mounts)
- RFID, bar code scanners, GPRS/GSM, CDMA



Flexible Rental Options

- Monthly or longer term rental agreement options.
- No minimum quantities
- Rentals with and without mobileR5 installed
- Next day replacement service for failed units at no charge
- Rental options for other handheld manufacturers available with minimum quantities and durations