

CONTRACTS

CLOSE BILLING PERIOD

After processing contract billing, the current contract billing period must be **closed**. If this billing period is <u>not</u> closed, you will <u>not</u> be able to release the next billing period.

This process will close the contract billing period and not the financial period.

Ribbon Access: Contract > Close Billing Period



The **Contract Billing Period Closure** screen will be displayed.

CONTRACT BILLING PERIOD CLOSURE SCREEN

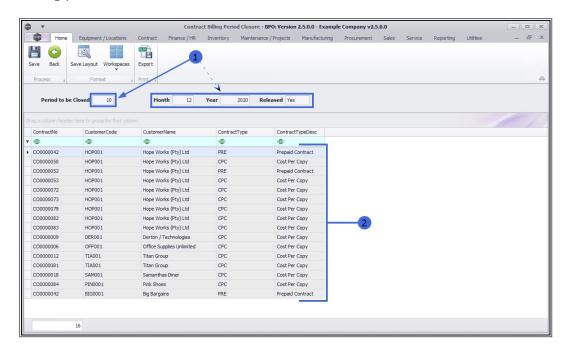
- 1. **Period to be closed** this shows the billing period to be closed (and not the financial period).
 - Month this shows the billing month to be closed.
 - **Year** this shows the billing year.
 - Released this shows whether the period to be closed was initially released for billing.

UNBILLED CONTRACTS

2. If there are contracts still to be billed in this billing period, then they will be listed in the *Contracts* data grid.



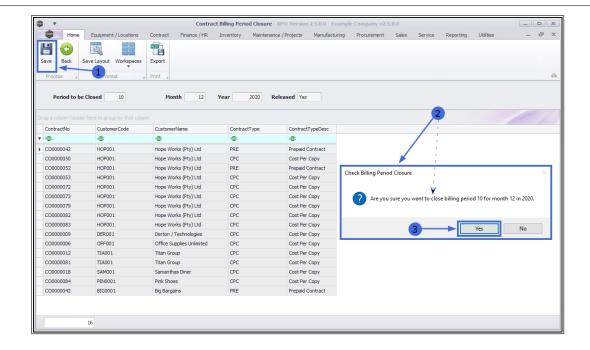
Any <u>unbilled</u> contracts displayed in the is screen will prevent will prevent the billing period closure.



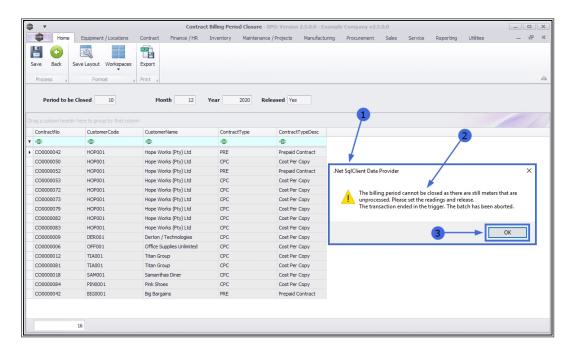
CLOSURE ERROR

- 1. If you click on *Save* when there are still items to be billed, you will first receive the following *Check Billing Period Closure* message:
- Are you sure you want to close the billing period [] for month [] in [].
- 3. Click on Yes.





- 1. An *error message* will pop up warning you;
- 2. 'The billing period cannot be close as there are still meters that are unprocessed. Please set the readings and release.'
- 3. Click on OK.

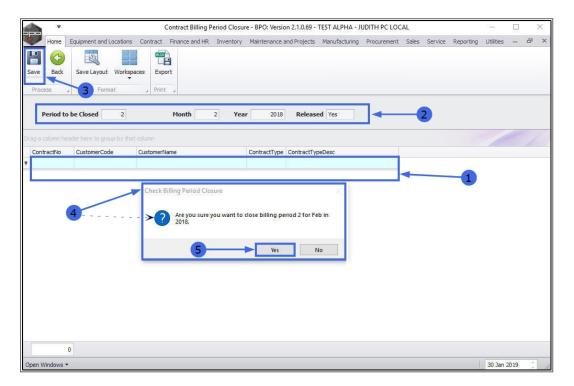




 Bill all the unbilled items first, then come back and close the billing period.

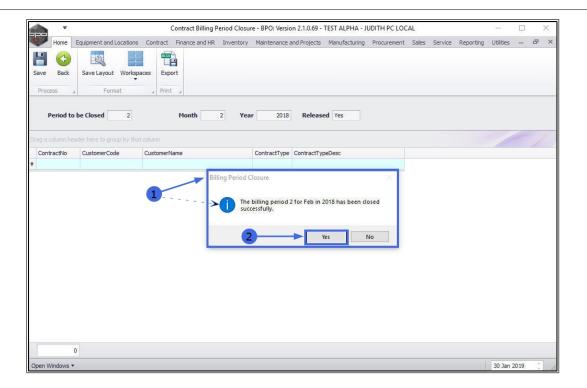
SUCCESSFULLY CLOSE BILLING PERIOD

- 1. If there are <u>no</u> contracts yet to be billed in this screen
- 2. then you will be able to close the billing period successfully.
- 3. Click on Save.
- 4. A *Check Billing Period Closure* message box will pop up, asking;
 - Are you sure you want to close billing period [] for [] in []?
- 5. Click on Yes.



- 1. A Billing Period Closure message box will pop up informing you that;
 - The billing period [] for [] in [] has been closed successfully.
- 2. Click on Yes.

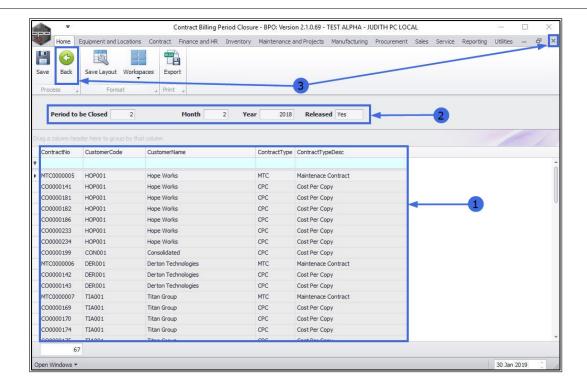




VIEW NEXT BILLING PERIOD CONTRACTS TO BE BILLED

- 1. Contracts waiting to be billed in the **next** billing period will now be displayed in the **Contracts** data grid.
- 2. **Note:** The *Periods to be Closed*, *Month*, *Year* and *Released* fields have not yet changed to reflect the new billing period.
 - Only when you exit the screen and then re-open the screen will these details be updated.
- 3. Click on *Back* or *Close* the screen to exit when you are done.





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