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ISG Mission Acquisition Powered by NCB

July 2024

Mission Acquisition (Powered by NCB)

Objective: To motivate our Channel Team and Lenovo Sellers to further collaborate on winning new Acquisition business

Eligible Partners
All Channel Partners (new!)

What's New



Other Changes

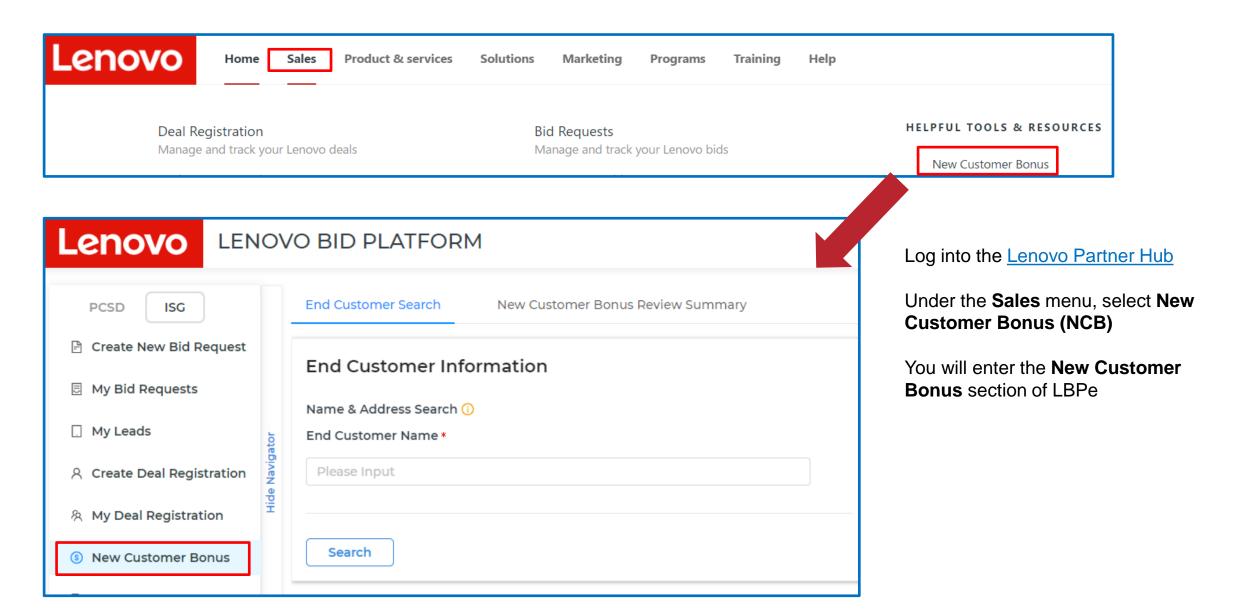
- Automation around customer qualification (no need to submit lists!)
- Partners able to search customers via LBP
- Authorized and Silver partners now eligible to participate

LBPe Process Walkthrough

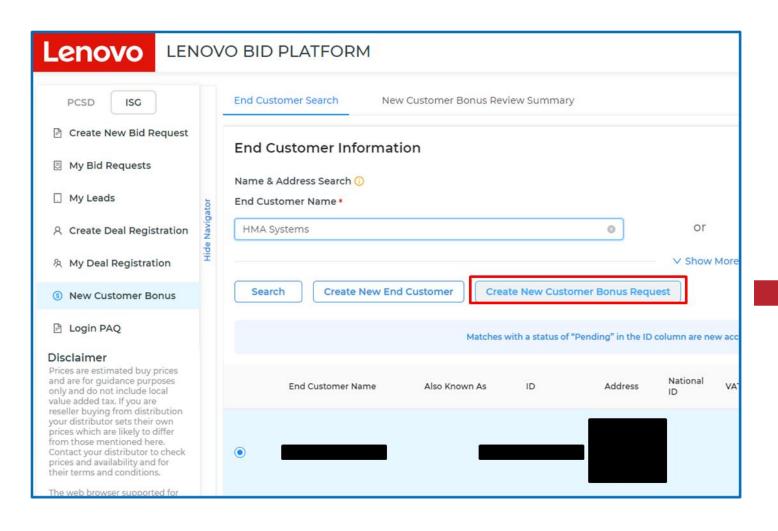
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Accessing New Customer Bonus in LBPe



Requesting NCB for an End Customer

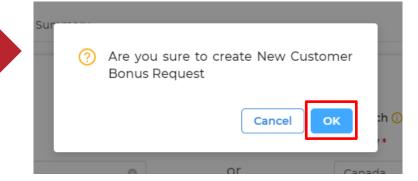


Search for an End Customer by Name or CRM ID

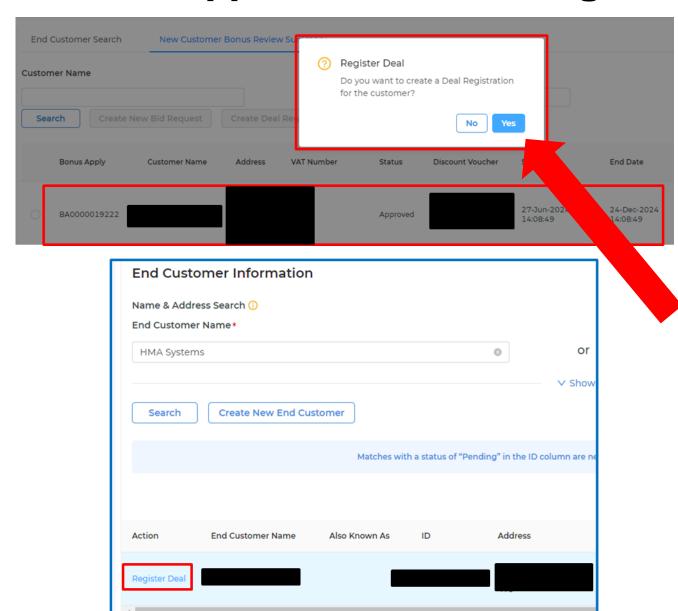
If end customer is eligible, select the name

Select Create New Customer Bonus Request

Select OK



NCB Auto Approval and Deal Registration



NCB will auto-approve and assign an NCB Number

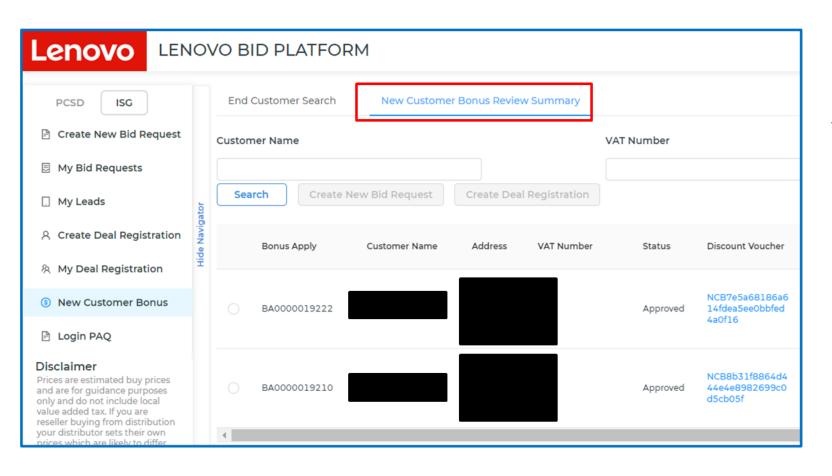
Simultaneously a pop-up message will ask if you want to create a Deal Registration

SELECT YES TO DEAL REG – you cannot apply an NCB code to a bid without deal reg

Select Register Deal next to the customer name

Complete the Deal Reg form as normal and Submit

Viewing Your NCB submissions



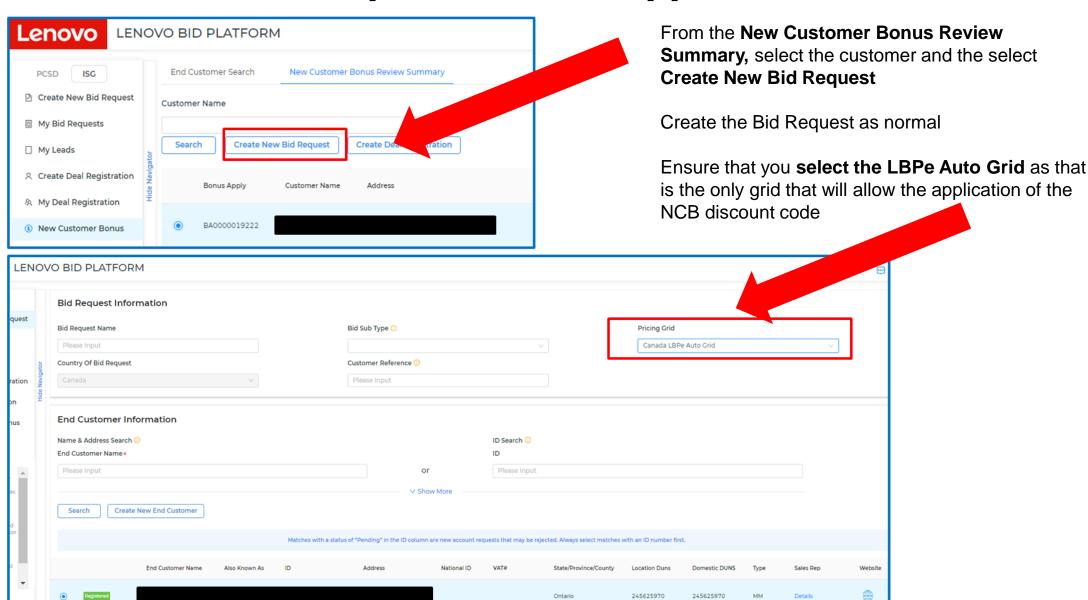
In the **New Customer Bonus Review Summary**, you can:

View your approved NCB's

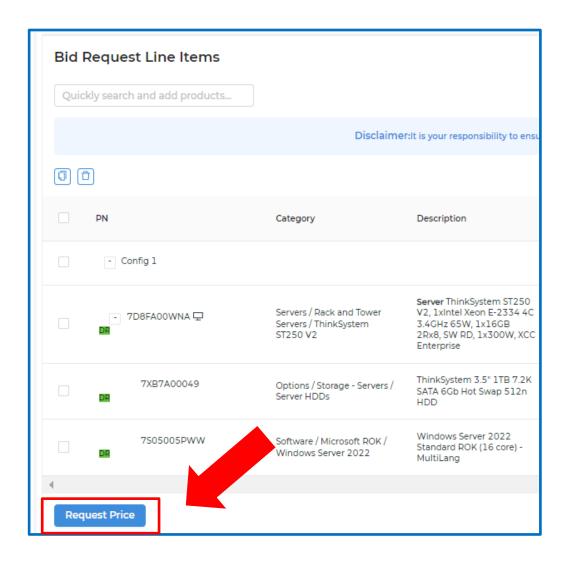
Create **Deal Reg** if you didn't at the time of NCB submission

Create a New Bid Request

Create New Bid Request from an Approved NCB



Progressing the Bid to Price Approved



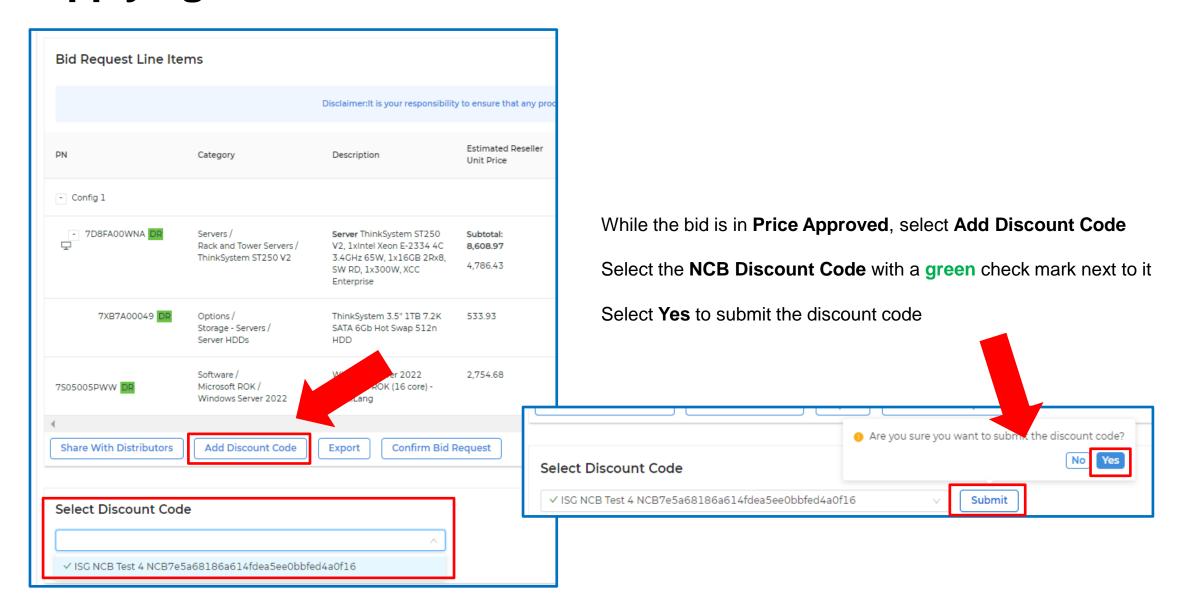
Add the products you wish to price and select Request Price

This moves the bid from DRAFT to **Price Approved**

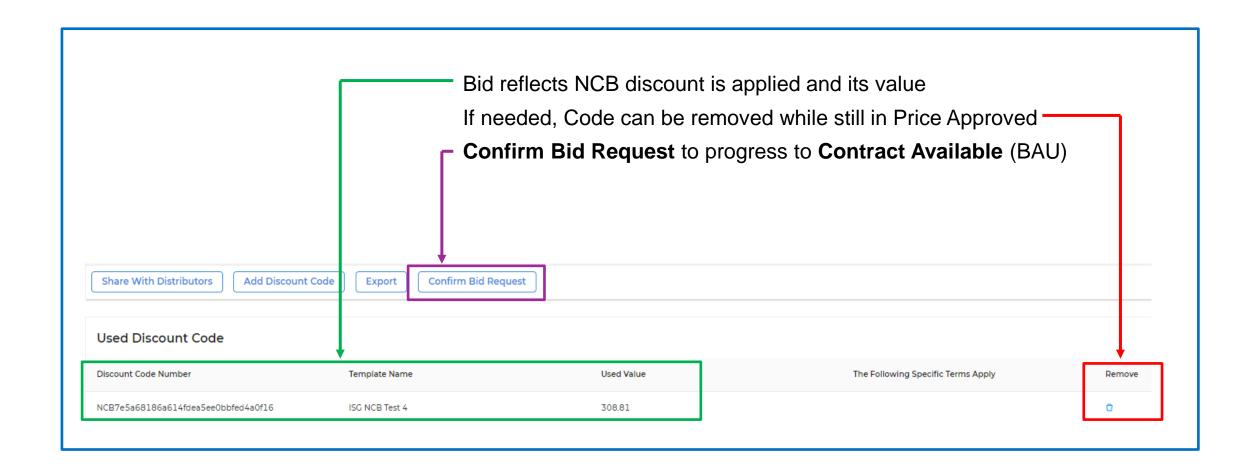
The bid must be in **Price Approved** to apply the NCB discount code

The option to add the discount code will not be viewable in Draft or Contract Available status

Applying the NCB Discount Code to a Bid



Confirming NCB Discount is Applied and Moving Bid to Contract



Partner FAQ

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ISG NCB FAQ

- What is the difference between Mission Acquisition and New Customer Bonus (NCB)?
 - Mission Acquisition is the Program and NCB is the process within LBPe used to execute the Program. LBPe will reflect NCB terminology (i.e., a Partner will request NCB approval; if awarded, an NCB discount code can be applied to bids, etc.)
- When does the NCB process go live in LBPe?
 - July 1, 2024
- How is an "Acquisition / New" Customer defined?
 - The end customer must not have generated any ISG revenue / contract activity in the last three years
- What if an end customer is already active under the original Mission Acquisition program from a prior quarter?
 - Any end customer that is already approved for Mission Acquisition under prior program terms will be excluded from this new program
- Is Deal Registration required to receive NCB approval?
 - No, HOWEVER, Deal Reg IS required to apply the NCB discount code to a bid
 - Best practice is to request NCB and immediately submit a deal registration
 - Upon NCB approval, you will be prompted to select Yes or No to deal registration. PLEASE SELECT YES.
- What end customer segments are eligible for NCB?
 - All ISG customer segments are eligible
- Are any end customers excluded from NCB?
 - Yes, end customers who already have an active approval under the prior Mission Acquisition program

ISG NCB FAQ continued

- Who approves NCB submissions?
 - NCB submissions are set up to auto-approve based on built-in logic around historical activity
- When the NCB is approved, it generates a long discount voucher number, do I need to remember that?
 - No, the code will be available in a dropdown list in the bid (see step by step guide on how to apply it)
- Can NCB be applied to LBPi bids?
 - No, the NCB discount code is only available for use in LBPe
- Can an NCB be withdrawn after it is approved?
 - Yes. Lenovo reserves the right to withdraw an approved NCB if requested by the Partner or if deemed necessary
- What is the NCB discount percentage?
 - 10% off the final bid price
- How long is the NCB discount code valid for?
 - The NCB code is valid for six months from the date of NCB approval
- Can the NCB discount code be reused?
 - Yes, the NCB code is reusable for six months on LBPe created bids for the approved end customer
- Are all ISG products eligible?
 - All ISG products that can be bid in LBPe are eligible for the NCB discount for an approved end user

ISG NCB FAQ continued

- Can the NCB discount code be stacked with other discounts?
 - No, the NCB discount code cannot be stacked with other discount codes
- Can a bid that has an NCB discount applied be further discounted under the Lenovo Review process?
 - No, bids with NCB discounts are not eligible for further discounting
- Is there a specific pricing grid that needs to be used when creating bids for NCB approved end customers?
 - Yes, please use the US or Canada LBPe Auto Grid
 - You will not be able to apply the discount code if another grid is selected
- If I have an end customer that is approved for NCB, will the discount automatically be applied when I create an LBPe bid?
 - No. After you populate the bid with the products you wish to price, you will need to select Request Price (this progresses the bid from Draft to Price Approved)
 - The you will need to select the Add Discount Code button located under the Bid Request Line Items section
 - In the dropdown, look for the Discount Code named ISG Mission Acquisition powered by NCB (it will have a green check mark next to it)
 - Select the code and answer Yes to apply it
- What if there is a red X next to the NCB discount code but the end customer is approved for NCB?
 - This means that you either did not use an approved deal reg in the bid and / or you have not selected the correct pricing grid.
 - You must create a bid in LBPe with a valid deal registration AND use the LBPe Auto Grid to be able to apply the NCB discount code

ISG NCB FAQ continued

- What if the NCB discount code does not appear at all in the Discount Code dropdown?
 - This means that the end customer is not approved for NCB
 - If you feel this is an error, please send an email to <u>isglbp@lenovo.com</u> and include the bid number so we can research the issue
- What if a Distributor submitted the NCB request and it was approved, but a National or Solution Provider wants to create the bid(s), or vice versa?
 - The NCB is approved for an end customer so regardless of who requested it, any Partner type can create bids if they are named on the approved Deal Reg for that end customer
- If I own a deal reg for an end customer, can another reseller get approved for NCB for that same end customer?
 - No. If you own the deal reg, that end customer will show as ineligible for NCB to all other reseller companies
- If I have NCB approved for an end customer, can another reseller submit a deal reg for that same end customer?
 - Yes, but they will not be able to get NCB approved.
- What if I need help or have other questions?
 - Please send any ISG NCB related questions to <u>isglbp@lenovo.com</u>

thanks.