Smart Energy Code

Section A – Definitions and Interpretations

SEC Section A provisions concern:

- SEC Parties
- SFC Panel
- Data and Communications Company
- Registration Data Providers
- The Authority

Definitions

Section A1 'Definitions' sets out all of the terms used within the SEC and what they mean when used in the context of the Code.

Other Definitions within the Code

While Section A does contain the vast majority of the defined terms used in the Code, there are certain sections that have a set of specific definitions relevant to the Section they are in.

SEC Sections with embedded definitions are:

- Section K 'Charging Methodology' (see Section K11);
- Section N 'SMETS1 Meters' (see Section N1); and
- Section Z Alt HAN Arrangements (see Section Z6).

SEC Subsidiary Documents, may also have their own set of definitions.

Technical Specifications

Section A3 'The Technical Specifications and GB Companion Specification' sets out which version of a Technical Specification is a 'relevant version' to which version of another Technical Specification or related documents.

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What does Section A cover?

Smart Energy Code (SEC) Section A 'Definitions and Interpretations' sets out:

- meaning of defined terms used throughout the Code; and
- rules around how the content of the Code should be interpreted.

Interpretation

Section A2 'Interpretation' sets out how terms and phrases used within the Code should be interpreted for the purpose of the SEC.

Examples of this include:

- 'day', 'week' and 'month' is a reference to a calendar day, a week starting on a Monday or a calendar month respectively; and
- reference to a time is to the time in the UK.

What is the order of precedence for SEC documentation?

In the unlikely event of there being a conflict between the provisions set out in the Code and supporting provisions in other SEC documentation, the order of precedence is:

- SEC Sections (of which Section X takes precedence over others);
- 2. SEC Schedules; and
- 3. SEC Subsidiary Documents.

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