

This document is classified as **Clear** in accordance with the Panel Information Policy. Recipients can distribute this information to the world, there is no limit on disclosure. Information may be shared without restriction subject to copyright.

Paper Reference:	CSC_57_2111
Action:	For Information

SEC Releases Update

1. Purpose

This paper presents an update on progress with upcoming Smart Energy Code (SEC) Releases. This includes updates on each of the scheduled SEC Releases up to the February 2025 SEC Release. There is also an indication of the current risk of individual modifications not being decided upon by the cut-off date for inclusion in the targeted release. A key to the red/amber/green (RAG) status can be found in Appendix 1.

2. February 2024 SEC Release

The February 2024 SEC Release will be a non-DCC Systems impacting release. The table below summarises the status of the modifications currently in scope of the February 2024 SEC Release on 29 February 2024:

Modification	Status	Impacts DCC Systems?	Changes since last update?	RAG Status
MP162 'SEC changes required to deliver MHHS' (legal text only)	Approved for inclusion.			Blue
MP167B 'Review of SEC documents (DCC Internal Systems change governance)'	Approved for inclusion.			Blue
MP230 'Review the SLA for delivery and completion for SMETS1 firmware'	The Refinement Consultation has been issued with a closing date of 22 Nov. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 15 Feb 2024</i>			Amber

Modification	Status	Impacts DCC Systems?	Changes since last update?	RAG Status
MP243 'CHTS v1.1 and GBCS v2.1 Installation End Date and Maintenance End Date'	Approved for inclusion.		✓	Blue
MP248 'RDP Requirements for DCC Gateway Connections'	The Refinement Consultation has been issued with a closing date of 29 Nov. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 15 Feb 2024</i>		✓	Amber

Please note:

- [MP162 'SEC changes required to deliver MHHS'](#) includes legal text changes to SEC Appendix R 'Common Test Scenarios Document' which will be implemented in the February 2024 SEC Release ahead of User Integration Testing (UIT). The remaining legal text and the associated DCC System changes will be implemented in the June 2024 SEC Release. The DCC has indicated that it would be beneficial to implement the SEC Appendix R changes sooner than the February 2024 SEC Release, however this is yet to be formalised.

Changes since the previous update:

- [MP224 'SEC Performance Assurance Framework'](#) has been removed from the scope of the February 2024 SEC Release, and instead will be implemented once approved as an Ad-Hoc SEC Release.
- [DP238 'TSAT Expired Communication Hubs'](#) has been removed from the scope of the February 2024 SEC Release as the proposal has been placed on hold to allow for the development of [DP252 'Amending the process for Communications Hubs returns'](#). Once DP252 has been finalised, work will continue with DP238.
- [MP248 'RDP Requirements for DCC Gateway Connections'](#) has been added to the scope of the February 2024 SEC Release.

The CSC baselined the scope of the February 2024 SEC Release at the August 2023 CSC meeting.

3. June 2024 SEC Release

The table below summarises the status of the modifications currently in scope of the June 2024 SEC Release on 27 June 2024:

Modification	Status	Impacts DCC Systems?	Changes since last update?	RAG Status
MP162 'SEC changes required to deliver MHHS'	Approved for inclusion.	✓		Blue

Modification	Status	Impacts DCC Systems?	Changes since last update?	RAG Status
MP178 'Removing DSP validation against the SMI join status for SR8.8.x'	Approved for inclusion.	✓		Blue
MP211 'Aligning the SMI with the CPL'	Approved for inclusion.	✓		Blue
MP253 'Traffic Management for Price Control Events'	SECAS will present this modification at the Nov 2023 SEC Panel meeting for feedback. Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 17 Jun 2024		✓	Amber
MP254 'Changes to GFI Arrangements'	SECAS is working with the Proposer to draft the legal text Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 17 Jun 2024		✓	Green

Changes since the previous update:

- [MP234 'Addition of GDPR Principles of Public Task and Legitimate Interests into the SEC'](#) has been removed from scope of the June 2024 SEC Release. This is due to the Proposer asking for the proposal to be placed on hold until an outcome has been decided for [MP219 'Accessing Consumption Data on behalf of SEC Parties'](#).
- [MP253 'Traffic Management for Price Control Events'](#) has been added to the scope of the June 2024 SEC Release.
- [MP254 'Changes to GFI Arrangements'](#) has been added to the scope of the June 2024 SEC Release.

4. November 2024 SEC Release

The table below summarises the status of the modifications currently in scope of the November 2024 SEC Release on 7 November 2024:

Modification	Status	Impacts DCC Systems?	Changes since last update?	RAG Status
SECMP0028 'Prioritising System Messages'	SECAS will present this proposal to the Change Board in Dec 2023 for final vote. Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 20 Dec 2023	✓		Amber

Managed by

Modification	Status	Impacts DCC Systems?	Changes since last update?	RAG Status
MP137 'Sharing Information on Defects and Issues'	The Refinement Consultation has been issued with a closing date of 29 Nov. Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 7 Aug 2024		✓	Green
MP176 'Customer Analytics Reporting'	SECAS is reviewing the DCC Impact Assessment for the Alternative Solution, and will then present this modification at the December Change Sub-Committee to proceed to the Report Phase. Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 7 May 2024	✓		Green
MP223 'WAN Coverage Reporting'	SECAS has requested the DCC Impact Assessment which is due to be returned in early Jan 2024 Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 7 May 2024	✓		Amber

Changes since the previous update:

- [MP137 'Sharing Information on Defects and Issues'](#) has been added to the scope of the November 2024 SEC Release.

5. February 2025 SEC Release

There are currently no modifications targeted for the February 2025 SEC Release.

6. June 2025 SEC Release

The table below summarises the status of the modifications currently in scope of the June 2025 SEC Release on 26 June 2025:

Modification	Status	Impacts DCC Systems?	Changes since last update?	RAG Status
MP169 'Managing SEC Obligations and the Consumer's Right to refuse a Smart Meter'	SECAS are working with the Proposer to confirm the solution before returning to the Working Group in Dec 2023 for feedback. Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 29 September 2024		✓	Green

Modification	Status	Impacts DCC Systems?	Changes since last update?	RAG Status
MP207 'Allowing Registered Supplier Agents to Maintain Meter Firmware'	The Sep 2023 Change Board rejected the DCC Impact Assessment request. SECAS is discussing the next steps with the Proposer and Ofgem. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 29 August 2024</i>		✓	Green
MP235 'Enhanced Meter Data Access for Other Users'	SECAS has received the DCC Preliminary Assessment. SECAS will discuss the assessment with the Proposer, Operations Group, SEC Panel and Working Group. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 29 March 2025</i>		✓	Green
MP241 'Interoperability Checker Update'	SECAS has received the DCC Preliminary Assessment. SECAS will discuss this modification at the Dec 2023 Working Group. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 29 August 2024</i>		✓	Green
MP246 'DCC User access to metadata via the DCC Self-Service Interface (SSI)'	SECAS has received the DCC Preliminary Assessment. SECAS will discuss this modification at the Dec 2023 Working Group. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 29 September 2024</i>		✓	Green

7. Ad-hoc releases

There are currently four modifications targeted for an ad-hoc release, as stated below:

[MP224 'SEC Performance Assurance Framework'](#) proposes to create a Performance Assurance Board within the SEC, allocating specific powers to develop and manage a Performance Assurance Framework to address Parties' obligations on a risk basis. SECAS is currently working with the Proposer to develop the solution further.

[MP231 'Firmware Upgrade Pathways'](#) proposes to place an obligation on Device Manufacturers to supply the CPL Entry ID(s) of the previous firmware version that can be upgraded to the new version on their CPL submission. SECAS is currently working with the Proposer to finalise the Proposed Solution before returning to Change Sub-Committee to proceed to the Report Phase.

[MP242 'Change to Operational Metrics to Measure on Success'](#) proposes to implement changes to DCC reporting allowing for the reporting of success and failure within an agreed set of Service Reference Variants (SRVs) across seven Business Processes. This modification is currently out for Refinement Consultation, with responses due by Wednesday 15 November 2023. Once the consultation has closed, SECAS will gather the responses, and present these to the Change Board in order to request a DCC Full Impact Assessment.

[MP251 'Transfer of Secret Key Material'](#) proposes to allow the DCC to use a DCCKI Certificate to secure the transfer of the TCoS Private Key from the DSP. This modification is due to be presented to the Change Board for vote in November 2023. If approved, the modification will be implemented as an Ad-Hoc Release in December 2023.

8. Recommendations

The CSC is requested to **NOTE** the updates on the SEC Releases referenced in this document.

Simon Grimwood

SECAS Team

21 Nov 2023

Appendix 1: RAG status key

The following framework is used to apply RAG statuses to modifications in this report indicating the risk that they will miss their intended release date. Where exceptions are made to this framework this will be clearly indicated in the associated commentary.

RAG Status	Justification
Red	The targeted release date allows for no extension to the modification timeline, or allows for delay only if subsequent steps are expedited.
Amber	The targeted release date allows for an extension to the modification timeline of up to two months.
Green	The targeted release date allows for an extension to the modification timeline of over two months.
Blue	The modification has been approved for implementation.