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SEC Releases Update

1. Purpose

This paper presents an update to the Change Sub-Committee (CSC) on progress relating to upcoming Smart Energy Code (SEC) Releases up to and including the November 2026 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 blue/red/amber/green (BRAG) status can be found in Appendix 1.

2. DSP Re-Procurement

The DCC is currently reprocurring the Data Service Provider (DSP) function, which once procured is forecasted for completion sometime during late 2028. The DCC has noted that any impact assessments involving DSP changes can currently only be performed against existing DSP services and these changes will have a finite lifespan of three years until the current DSP services end. Changes can be implemented in 2026 and 2027 but with an end date of 2028.

Initially SECAS were told that any impact assessments against future DSP services would begin immediately once contracts were signed. We believe that the contracts have now been signed but a seven week 'mobilisation period' is needed before assessments can be undertaken. It is likely that any System changes can be scheduled for a 2028 implementation.

There are currently several changes in flight that either require a Preliminary Impact Assessment, Final Impact Assessment or require a new Assessment as they cannot be implemented before 2026 and therefore require a new benefits assessment. These are on hold until assessments can take place again.

The table below lists the impacted modifications, the planned submission group, priority and rationale:

Modification	Submission Group	Priority	Rationale
MP169 'Managing SEC Obligations and the Consumer's Right to refuse a Smart Meter'	1	High	Requires a second DCC Impact Assessment before the Modification Report can be finalised. A high priority modification with the most industry interest.

Modification	Submission Group	Priority	Rationale
MP094 'Supporting prepayment customers in no SMWAN scenarios'	1	Medium	Older modification which requires a cost in order to move through the modification process. Requirements yet to be finalised for submission.
MP281 'Install Codes in the SMI'	1	Medium	Requirements developed – ready for submission.
MP265 'Implementing ADT changes in response to a Security Incident'	2	Medium	Requirements have been drafted. This modification has a security impact so should be progressed.
MP247 'Future Dating of Service Requests for SMETS1 Devices'	2	Medium	Requirements ready for submission.
MP184 'Increase Smart Capability of SMETS2 Twin Element ESME'	2	Low	Older modification. Requirements ready but still details to be finalised with Device Manufacturers.
MP255 'WAN issues during Smart Meter installations'	3	Medium	Lots of industry interest but requirements not developed.
DP287 'Access to historic GSME battery Alerts'	3	Medium	Recently raised, lots of industry interest but no requirements workshop until late April 2025.
MP244 'Device Alerts for Smart Meter Credit Replenishment'	3	Low	Requirements ready but a lower priority modification.
DP257 'DCC Management of Duplicate Messages'	4	Medium	Requirements not ready. No requirements workshop scheduled yet.
MP235 'Enhanced Meter Data access for Other Users'	4	Low	Requirements need to be examined following Privacy Sub-Committee (PSC) comment on sensitive data. Little industry interest.

Changes not involving the DSP can continue as normal.

3. Delays to FSM

The DCC has made SECAS aware that FSM (Future Services Management) has been delayed. This will affect any modifications awaiting implementation that require changes to FSM and any modifications currently in flight that require changes to FSM.

The table below lists the impacted modifications:

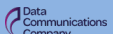
Modification	Impact
MP137 'Sharing information on Defects and Issues'	Awaiting the DCC Future Services Management (FSM) to be delivered, in order to ensure MP137's business requirements are included in the FSM.
MP239 'Enduring Solution for Resolving SMETS2'	Approved for inclusion into the June 2025 SEC Release and has been advised will be incorporated into FSM once live.

Modification	Impact
Device Certificate Misalignment Issue'	
MP252 'Amending the process for Communications Hub returns'	Solution approved by Change Board in Feb 2025 includes delivery into FSM. Delivery options are being discussed with industry in order to ensure the Proposed Solution is available by implementation in the November 2025 SEC Release.

4. 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:

Approved Modifications:

Modification	Latest Update	Status
MP239 'Enduring Solution for Resolving SMETS2 Device Certificate Misalignment Issue'	Approved for inclusion.*	
MP246 'DCC User access to metadata via the DCC Self-Service Interface (SSI)'	Approved for inclusion.	

* Includes changes to FSM

Targeted Modifications:

Modification	Latest Update	Status
MP271 'Sub-Committee seats for Other Users, Meter Data Retrievers and Registered Supplier Agents'	On 22 January 2025 the Change Board voted to recommend that the Authority should approve this modification. The modification is currently with the Authority for final determination with an expected decision date by 1 May 2025. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 12 Jun 2025</i>	
DP279 'June 2025 SEC Releases & DUIS Housekeeping Changes'	SECAS will present DP279 to Change Sub-Committee on 15 April 2025 to request it progress to the Report Phase. If approved, SECAS will issue the Modification Report Consultation, and the Change Board vote will take place on 21 May 2025. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 12 Jun 2025</i>	
MP282 'Removal of Registration Check for Suppliers Using SR8.9 Targeting SMETS2+ CHF'	Following SECAS presenting this modification to the Technical Architecture and Business Architecture Sub-Committee, the Security Sub-Committee, Operations Group and Testing Advisory Group. SECAS issued the Modification Report Consultation on 2 April 2025, closing on 25 April 2025. SECAS will	

Modification	Latest Update	Status
	present the modification for final vote at Change Board in May 2025. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 12 Jun 2025</i>	
MP283 'Data Breach Reporting'	The Change Sub-Committee on 18 February 2025 agreed for this modification enter the Report Phase. The Modification Report Consultation closed on 12 March 2025. The Change Board vote will take place on 23 April 2025. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 12 Jun 2025</i>	

MP085B has been removed to the scope of this Release since the February 2025 CSC meeting.

5. November 2025 SEC Release

The table below summarises the status of the modifications currently in scope of the November 2025 SEC Release on 6 November 2025:

Approved Modifications:

Modification	Latest Update	Status
MP252 'Amending the process for Communications Hub returns'	Approved for inclusion.*	

* Includes changes to FSM

Targeted Modifications:

Modification	Latest Update	Status
MP268 'Certificate rotation and expired Certificates'	Following discussion at the Change Board on Wednesday 22 January 2025, this modification has been sent back to Change Sub-Committee as there has been an amendment to the Proposed Solution, which will exclude any DCC System changes. SECAS will present the updated Proposed Solution to the CSC in May 2025. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 22 Oct 2025</i>	
DP286 'Establishment of the Privacy Sub-Committee into the SEC'	SECAS will present this Draft Proposal to the Change Sub-Committee on 15 April 2025 to determine whether it should enter the Report Phase. If approved, SECAS will issue the Modification Report Consultation, and the Change Board vote will take place on 21 May 2025. This is an Authority Determined Modification. <i>Estimated cut-off date for inclusion: 25 Sep 2025</i>	

DP286 has been added to the scope of this Release since the March 2025 CSC meeting.

6. February 2026 SEC Release

There are currently no modifications targeted for the February 2026 SEC Release.

7. June 2026 SEC Release

There are currently no modifications targeted for the June 2026 SEC Release.

MP235 has been removed to the scope of this Release since the March 2025 CSC meeting. The CSC will baseline the June 2026 SEC Release at the June 2025 CSC meeting. Releases from June 2026 SEC Release and onwards may be impacted by DSP re-procurement.

8. November 2026 SEC Release

There are currently no modifications targeted for the November 2026 SEC Release.

MP169 has been removed to the scope of this Release since the March 2025 CSC meeting. The CSC will baseline the November 2026 SEC Release at the October 2025 CSC meeting. Releases from June 2026 SEC Release and onwards may be impacted by DSP re-procurement.

9. Ad hoc releases

There are currently three modifications targeted for an Ad hoc release (pending approval), as stated below:

Modification	Latest Update	Estimated Implementation
MP285 'Radio Teleswitch Service switch off'	This modification has an expedited timeline. SECAS raised this modification on 10 March 2025 and has been sent to the Change Sub-Committee (CSC) to make an ex-committee decision by 12 March 2025. The ex-committee Change Sub-Committee (CSC) determined that DP285 should progress to the Report Phase. SECAS issued the Modification Report Consultation, which closed on 19 March 2025. Voting was deferred at the 26 March 2025 Change Board. SECAS are expecting to have a firm position by the ad hoc Change Board meeting scheduled for 9 April 2025 to proceed to vote.	April 2025
MP219 'Access Consumption Data on behalf of SEC Parties'	On 26 March 2025 the Change Board recommended to the Authority that this modification be approved.	May 2025

Modification	Latest Update	Estimated Implementation
	If this modification is approved, it will be implemented one Working Day following decision as an ad hoc SEC Release.	
MP241 'Interoperability Checker Update'	This modification was presented to the Change Sub-Committee on 18 March 2025, and it was agreed to re-enter the Report Phase. The Modification Report Consultation closed on 9 April 2025. The Change Board vote will take place on 23 April 2025.	September 2025

10. Recommendations

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

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Appendix 1: BRAG status key

The following framework is used to apply BRAG 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.

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.
	This modification is DCC Total System impacting.
	This modification is not DCC Total System impacting, however these changes will require amendments to DCC reporting systems, SharePoint, business processes etc.