

Change Sub-Committee Meeting 86

21 April 2026

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It is everyone's responsibility to say something

The Chair will move the conversation on



■ CSC Terms of Reference

The CSC is the delegated Sub-Committee of Panel for dealing with Modifications. The CSC has power to determine:

- If the **stage gates** have been completed
- If the **scale** (both sides and therefore business case) is understood
- **Modification** is confirmed as the most appropriate solution
- Affected **SEC areas** identified
- Where applicable, potential high-level **solution** options for resolving the issue have been identified (including, where possible, an assessment of whether costs and complexity would be high, medium or low to inform the benefits case of proceeding).

■ CSC Terms of Reference

Determine whether the solution(s) proposed in a Modification Proposal is sufficiently developed and understood that it can be progressed to a final decision:

- A **solution** (or solutions) has been clearly defined
- The **impacts** of the solution(s) on all participants have been fully identified
- All implementation and on-going **costs** have been drawn out and scrutinised
- The **implementation approach** has been clearly laid out, including the technical specification versions arising from the change
- The changes to the **SEC documentation** have been fully drafted
- The **business case** for change has been fully defined
- An assessment against the Applicable **SEC Objectives** and the **consumer benefits** analysis have been completed
- All questions raised along the way have been **answered**

■ Agenda

1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
2. Actions Outstanding
3. SEC Modification Progression
 - DP319 'SRV 11.3 – Activate Firmware Request Firmware Hash Validation'
 - DP320 'Enhanced MAP & Manufacturer DCC reporting'
4. SEC Modification Tables
5. Post Decision Delivery
6. SEC Releases Update
7. Any Other Business
8. Summary and Meeting Close



Agenda Item 1

Approval of previous meeting minutes
Abi Obadan

■ Recommendations

- No comments were received on the previous meeting minutes
- **APPROVE** these minutes as final



Agenda Item 2

Actions Outstanding
Ali Beard

Actions Outstanding

Ref	Action	Owner	Update	Status
76/04	SECCo (RH) to confirm Paper Classification approach with SECAS Governance Team	SECCo	Meeting Update 17/03/2026: The Change Sub-Committee Chair (SG) confirmed that this action remained ongoing and open with Robin Healey. The Chair also noted that discussions would continue with the regular Chair Ali Beard and the CSC noted this position and agreed the action should remain open.	Open



Agenda item 3

SEC Modification Progression

■ DP319 'SRV 11.3 – Activate Firmware Request Firmware Hash Validation'

Georgie Severin

Raised by Taj Nezami

Progress to Refinement Process

MEDIUM

Overview

- SRV 11.3 allows DCC Users to request activation of a firmware image.
- The DCC currently validates only general request fields and execution timing but **does not check** the *FirmwareHash* against the CPL before forwarding the critical command to the Device

Issue



- By forwarding CS06 to the target Device, there is a serious risk of activating a bogus and unapproved Firmware Image.
- An invalid Service Request downstream without adequate validation will also impact the DCC Total System and CSP performance.

Impact



- Mandate DCC validation of the SRV 11.3 FirmwareHash against the CPL value.
- If invalid, return E57 and not initiate CS06.
- Changes to Appendix AD 'DCC User Interface Specification (DUIS)'

Potential Solution

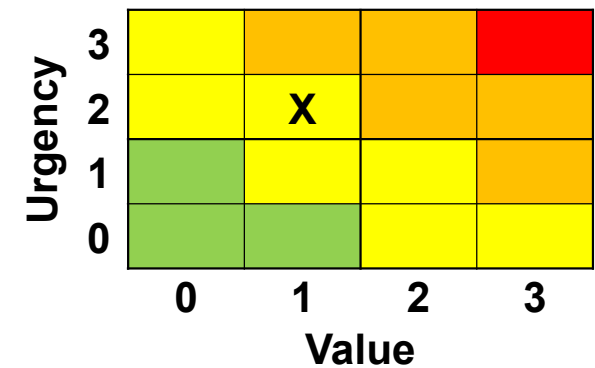


■ Prioritisation

Legal & regulatory compliance	Operational performance	Cost benefit	Consumer impact	Security impacts	Value	Urgency	Priority
0	2	0	0	2	1	2	MEDIUM

Rationale

- The modification will bring operational and security improvements to DCC Users and the DCC System.



■ SDS Prioritisation

Consumers/ vulnerability and PSR	Non- Domestic retail policy	Code reform and net zero	Smart and retail ops	MHHS	Digitalisatio n	Value	Complexity	Priority
1	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	Standard

Rationale

Consumers/Vulnerability and PSR – this modification would strengthen the security for Devices present at consumers’ premises.

Digitalisation – this modification would strengthen the security for Devices, which would allow for continued Data sharing between the Device and Parties.

Complexity – this modification requires a technical solution, which increases its complexity.

■ Forum views

Issues Group

Raised questions
about the costs of the
modification

Suggested further SSC
involvement regarding
security implications

SSC

Supports the
modification

Believes the solution
would strengthen
security controls

■ Timetable

Date	Event/Activity	Notes
Apr – May 2026	Develop Business Requirements	<i>Requirements Workshop</i>
May – Jun 2026	Solution Development	<i>PIA, WG, SSC</i>
Jun – Oct 2026	Solution Refinement	<i>Refinement Consultation, FIA</i>
Nov 2026	Enter Report Phase	
Dec 2026	Change Board Vote	

■ DP319: Recommendations

- **DETERMINE** whether the issue and the impact it is having is clearly defined and understood
- **DETERMINE** whether DP319 should be converted to a Modification Proposal
- **DETERMINE** whether MP319 should be progressed to the Refinement Process
- **AGREE** the first package of work and the timetable for MP319

■ DP320 'Enhanced MAP & Manufacturer DCC reporting'

Simon Grimwood

Raised by Bradley Baker from the DCC
Progress to Refinement Process

MEDIUM

Overview

- MP181 introduced a dataset of reporting specifically for MAPs & Manufacturers.
- The DCC (in line with DCC Users) wish to enhance the current dataset
- The DCC are also seeking implementation of a new 'SEC Required Document'

Issue



- Additional Data metrics are already provided to Suppliers, so no development required.
- New governance mechanism to update reporting in the future (SEC Required Document)

Impact



- Implement new metrics into current reporting dataset
- Implement a SEC Required Document to amend document in the future outside of the Modification process

Potential Solution

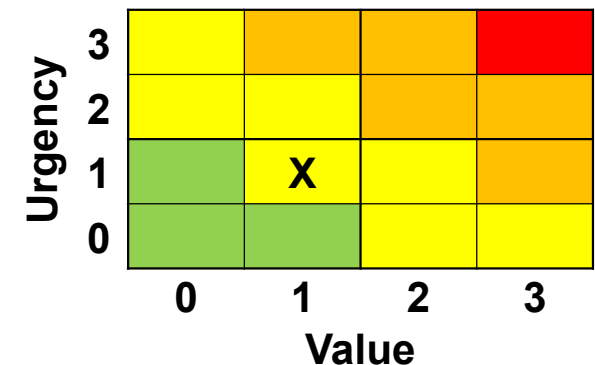


■ Prioritisation

Legal & regulatory compliance	Operational performance	Cost benefit	Consumer impact	Security impacts	Value	Urgency	Priority
1	1	0	1	0	1	1	Medium

Rationale

- **Legal & Regulatory Compliance** – Better management and facilitation of any future proposed changes to this reporting dataset, possibly resulting in fewer SEC modifications needed in the future.
- **Operational Performance** – Better understanding of Device Portfolios, possibly leading to more streamlined and efficient operational processes (GSoP).
- **Consumer Benefit** – An example of this would be a reduction in the number of preventable meter removals.



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- **Smart & retail ops** – An example of this would be a reduction in the number of preventable meter removals.

Timetable

Date	Event/Activity	Notes
Apr 2026	Mod presented to CSC	
May 2026	Mod presented to OPSG	<i>Understand impacts of implementing SEC Required Document</i>
Jun 2026	Mod presented to Working Group	
Jun 2026	Refinement Consultation	
Jul 2026	Mod presented to Working Group	<i>Review the outcome of Refinement Consultation</i>
Jul 2026	Enter Report Phase	
Jul 2026 – Aug 2026	Modification Report Consultation	
Aug 2026	Change Board Vote	
Aug 2026 – Sep 2026	Ad hoc SEC Release (estimated)	

■ DP320: Recommendations

- **DETERMINE** whether the issue and the impact it is having is clearly defined and understood
- **DETERMINE** whether DP320 should be converted to a Modification Proposal
- **DETERMINE** whether MP320 should be progressed to the Refinement Process
- **AGREE** the first package of work and the timetable for MP320



Agenda item 4

SEC Modification Timetables
Khaleda Hussain

Summary and Matrix

URGENCY

3		P218		P312
2		P305 P319	P255 P302	P293
1	P235 P307 P315 P318	P257 P291 P306 P313 P320	P266 P281	P169 P300
0	P165 P205 P234 P244 P316 P317	P085B P184 P206 P241 P265	P137 P301	P094 P289 P294
	0	1	2	3

33 Active Modifications

Four Modifications on hold

DP319 (V1+U2)

DP320 (V1+U1)

■ (High and very high priority)*

- MP169 'Managing the consumers refusal of a Smart Meter Installation'
- MP218 'Review of the SEC Charging Methodology'
- MP255 'WAN issues during Smart Meter installations'
- MP293 'Deferment of DCC Planned Maintenance during Adverse Weather'
- MP300 'Additional Operational Metrics to Measure on Success'
- MP302 'Supplier Alert for ENOs'
- MP312 'Caching SRV 4.10 for SMETS1 Devices'

* We will be amending the priority to align with the SDS

■ On hold

On Hold Modifications

- MP094 - Due to Proposer wanting to evaluate post launch performance for the virtual WAN solution and review mid 2026
- MP165 - The Proposer is awaiting the agreement and creation of a Publicly Available Specification (PAS) document to determine any consequential changes to the SEC that may be needed as a result. This could take up to 5 years
- DP206 - Dependant on REC change R0207 unlikely to be delivered until mid 2026
- DP266 - The issue relating to DP266 may potentially overlap with the Proposed Solution of MP293 'Deferment of DCC Planned Maintenance during Adverse Weather'.

■ On hold - Request

Following receipt of a letter from DESNZ and Ofgem regarding the Data Repository

- MP218 'Review of the SEC Charging Methodology'
- MP234 'Addition of Public Task and Legitimate Interests into the SEC'
- MP235 'Enhanced Meter Data Access for Other Users'
- DP257 'DCC Management of Duplicate Messages'

■ Recommendations

- **NOTE** the update



Agenda item 5

(Slide will be provided prior to the meeting)

Post Decision Delivery
Khaleda Hussain



Agenda item 6

SEC Releases Update
Georgie Severin

BRAG status key

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

■ 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.

Modifications awaiting FSM		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Impact
MP239	Enduring Solution for Resolving SMETS2 Device Certificate Misalignment Issue	Legal text implemented in the June 2025 SEC Release and has been advised will be incorporated into FSM once live.
MP252	Amending the process for Communications Hub returns	Solution approved by Change Board in Feb 2025 includes delivery into FSM. This modification was implemented in the November 2025 SEC Release.
MP137	Sharing information on Defects and Issues	Dependent on whether the business requirements are delivered in FSM.

June 2026 SEC Release

Approved Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
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Targeted Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
MP289	BCDR Engagement	

Releases from June 2026 SEC Release and onwards may be impacted following the implementation of new DSP service providers.

November 2026 SEC Release

Approved Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
MP304	Scheduling Services for SMETS1 Devices (SRV 4.3)	
Targeted Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
MP281	Install Codes in the SMI	
MP293	Deferment of DCC Planned Maintenance during Adverse Weather	
MP301	Review of Additional Registration Data (Gas Transporters)	
MP316	DUIS SRV12.2 Pre-Notification of CHF Ambiguity	
MP318	Incorporation of Category 3 Issue Resolution Proposal into the SEC – Batch 12 and GBCS Changes	

MP318 was added to the scope of the November 2026 SEC Release since the March 2026 CSC meeting.

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■ Ad hoc 2026 SEC Release

Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
MP234	Addition of Public Task and Legitimate Interests into the SEC	On hold
MP241	Interoperability Checker Update	
MP312	Caching SRV 4.10 for SMETS1 Devices	
DP315	Dual running of DCC Smart Meter Communication Licence	
MP317	SMETS1 FOC ANSO implementation housekeeping changes	

MP317 was added to the scope of the modification since the March 2026 Change Sub-Committee.

February 2027 SEC Release

Approved Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
-	-	-

Targeted Modifications		
Mod No.	Mod Name	Status
-	-	-

There are currently no modifications targeting February 2027 SEC Release.

Releases from June 2026 SEC Release and onwards may be impacted following the implementation of new DSP service providers.

■ Recommendations

The CSC is requested to:

- **NOTE** the updates on the SEC Releases referenced in these slides.



Agenda item 7

Any Other Business

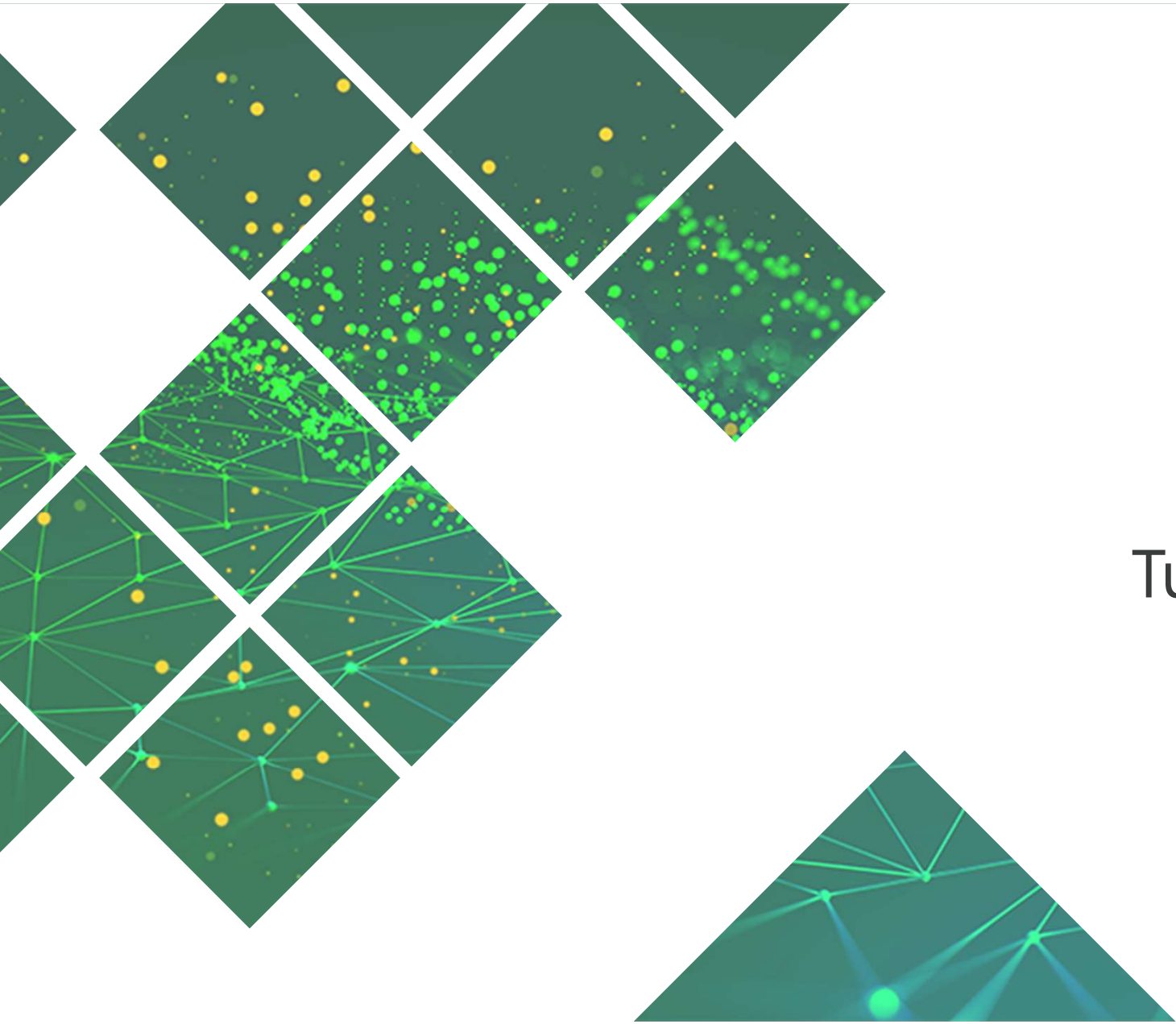
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