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MP248 ‘Requirements for DCC Gateway Connection’

Annex C

Refinement Consultation responses

About this document

This document contains the full collated responses received to the MP248 Refinement Consultation.

Question 1: Do you agree that the solution put forward will effectively resolve the identified issue?

Question 1				
Respondent	Category	Response	Rationale	SECAS Response
Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks	Network Party	Yes	Moving to a cloud-based connection would provide flexibility in receiving RDP files as well as cost effectiveness going forward as long as the connections provide the same level of security if not more	-
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party	Yes	-	-
British Gas	Large Supplier	Yes	It seems sensible, especially given the cloud based nature of the CSS – DCC connection	-
Electricity North West	Network Party	Yes	We understand the scope of the change has now been restricted to Registration Data Provider (RDP) communications only, and wider changes for DCC DUIS connections may be introduced at a future point. In general, we are supportive of this solution as it enables Parties to employ more modern IT network communications (virtual infrastructure) vs the current physical connections requiring a connection to a physical premises and sets a security precedent for future changes to DUIS connectivity.	-

Question 2: Do you agree that the legal text will deliver MP248?

Question 2				
Respondent	Category	Response	Rationale	SECAS Response
Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks	Network Party		The legal text does read to delivery MP248	-
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party	Yes	-	-
British Gas	Large Supplier	Yes	Seems fine	-
Electricity North West	Network Party	-	-	-

Question 3: Do you agree with the proposed implementation approach?

Question 3				
Respondent	Category	Response	Rationale	SECAS Response
Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks	Electricity Network	Yes	The approach aligns with the needs for RDP's	-
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party	Yes	-	-
British Gas	Large Supplier	Yes	-	-
Electricity North West	Network Party	-	-	-

Question 4: Will there be any impact on your organisation to implement MP248?

Question 4				
Respondent	Category	Response	Rationale	SECAS Response
Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks	Electricity Network	No	However, this should be marked as maybe as we are basing this response on the current details provided on the modification report, this may change depending on the outcoming following implementation	-
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party	No	We believe there will be no direct impact to our organisation	-
British Gas	Large Supplier	No	-	-
Electricity North West	Network Party	No	For ENWL it's unlikely to make any near term impact	-

Question 5: Will your organisation incur any costs in implementing MP248?

Question 5				
Respondent	Category	Response	Rationale	SECAS Response
Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks	Network Party	Less than £100k	As per MP248 documentation notes, this modification is not anticipated to result in any costs for SEC Parties however, until MP248 has completed refinement and moves onto the implementation stage we cannot rule out that there may be a possibility of cost allocation	-
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party	No	No costs	-
British Gas	Large Supplier	No	No costs	-
Electricity North West	Network Party	No	Refer to response to Q4	-

Question 6: How long from the point of approval would your organisation need to implement MP248?

Question 6				
Respondent	Category	Response	Rationale	SECAS Response
Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks	Network Party	TBC depending on any process requirements by DCC	This transition will depend on any requirements made by DCC once the connection move is made from physical to cloud	-
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party	N/A	-	-
British Gas	Large Supplier	N/A	-	-
Electricity North West	Network Party	-	-	-

Question 7: Do you believe that MP248 would better facilitate the General SEC Objectives?

Question 7				
Respondent	Category	Response	Rationale	SECAS Response
Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks	Electricity Network	Yes	MP248 would better facilitate general SEC objective (d) by removing barriers for future entrants into the market	-
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party	Yes	We believe that the proposed will better facilitate the General SEC Objectives stated in the Modification Report	-
British Gas	Large Supplier	Yes	We agree it will better facilitate General SEC Objective (d)	-
Electricity North West	Network Party	Yes	Refer to response to Q1	-

Question 8: Do you believe there will be any impacts on or benefits to consumers if MP248 is implemented?

Question 8				
Respondent	Category	Response	Rationale	SECAS Response
Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks	Electricity Network	No	Based on information provided on the modification report for MP248, we do not believe that there would be any impacts or benefits to consumers	-
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party	No	-	-
British Gas	Large Supplier	No	No impact either way on consumers	-
Electricity North West	Network Party	-	-	-

Question 9: Noting the costs and benefits of this modification, do you believe MP248 should be approved?

Question 9				
Respondent	Category	Response	Rationale	SECAS Response
Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks	Electricity Network	Yes	Based on the current information provided on the modification report for MP248 we believe that MP248 should be approved	-
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party	Yes	-	-
British Gas	Large Supplier	Yes	-	-
Electricity North West	Network Party	Yes	Refer to response to Q1	-

Question 10: Please provide any further comments you may have.

Question 10			
Respondent	Category	Comments	SECAS Response
Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks	Electricity Network	N/A	-
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party	-	-
British Gas	Large Supplier	The above approval is subject to the SSC also agreeing it is an appropriate way forward. The Mod report didn't yet have any feedback from the SSC, just CSC and TABASC	The DCC have previously presented the solution to the SSC and is due to return to the SSC in January to discuss this further.
Electricity North West	Network Party	-	-