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MP295 ‘Amendment to SMETS1 Cache Solution’

Conclusions Report – version 1.0

About this document

This document summarises the responses received to the Modification Report Consultation and the decision of the Change Board regarding approval or rejection of this modification.

Summary of conclusions

Change Board

The Change Board voted to **approve** MP295. It believed the modification better facilitated SEC Objectives (a)¹, (b)², and (c)³.

Modification Report Consultation responses

Summary of responses

SECAS received two responses to the Modification Report Consultation. Both respondents believed that the modification should be approved. One respondent considered the modification better facilitated SEC Objectives (b) and (c) and did not provide further comment.

The other respondent considered that it better facilitated SEC Objectives (a) and (c). The respondent stated that they believed the outlined benefits were in line with the SEC Objectives and the low costs presented represented an improvement to the operation of smart meters in the UK.

¹ facilitate the efficient provision, installation, and operation, as well as interoperability, of Smart Metering Systems at Energy Consumers' premises within Great Britain.

² enable the Data Communications Company to comply at all times with the General Objectives of the Data Communications Company (as defined in the Data Communications Company Licence), and to efficiently discharge the other obligations imposed upon it by the Data Communications Company Licence.

³ facilitate Energy Consumers' management of their use of electricity and gas through the provision to them of appropriate information by means of Smart Metering Systems.

Change Board vote

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The Change Board voted to **approve** MP295 under Self-Governance.

The vote breakdown is summarised below:

Change Board vote Proposed Solution				
Party Category	Approve	Reject	Abstain	Outcome
Large Suppliers	6	0	0	Approve
Small Suppliers	2	0	0	Approve
Network Parties	2	0	0	Approve
Other SEC Parties	2	0	0	Approve
Consumer Representative	0	0	0	-
Overall outcome:				APPROVE

The Consumer Representative was not present at the meeting.

Views relating to the General SEC Objectives

Objective (a)

The Change Board believed that MP295 will better facilitate SEC Objective (a) as it will facilitate the efficient operation of Smart Metering Systems by reducing traffic volumes.

Objective (b)

The Change Board believed that MP295 will better facilitate SEC Objective (b) as it will allow the Data Communications Company (DCC) to perform efficiently by reducing repeat traffic.

Objective (c)

The majority of the Change Board believed that MP295 will better facilitate SEC Objective (c) as it will facilitate Energy Consumers' management of their use of electricity by supporting Market Wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS).

Change Board discussions

One question was raised by a Change Board member enquiring whether the SMETS 1 Data Cache applied to all types of SMETS 1 meters. A DCC representative confirmed that it did.