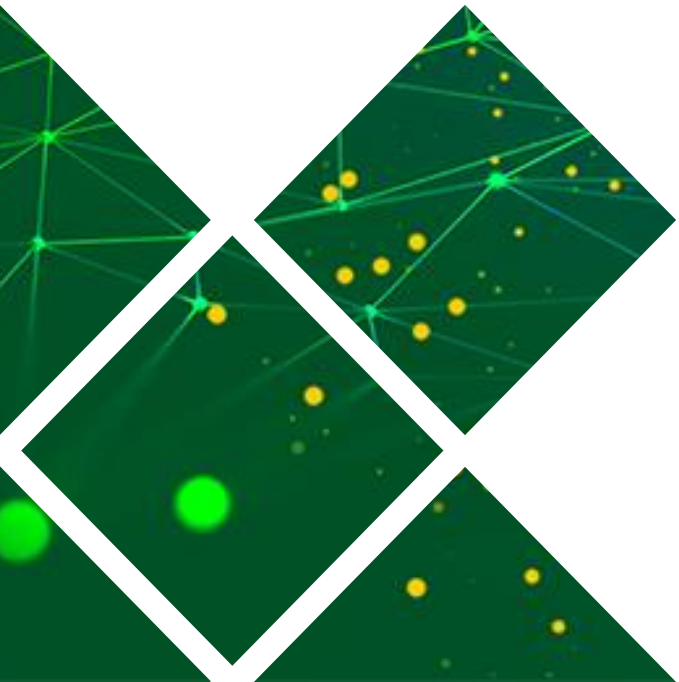


# SEC Change Monthly Working Group Meeting

July 2026





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- Please raise your hand
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- Just a reminder that we should be able to have free discussions of ideas





# ■ Introductions

- When I say your name, please:
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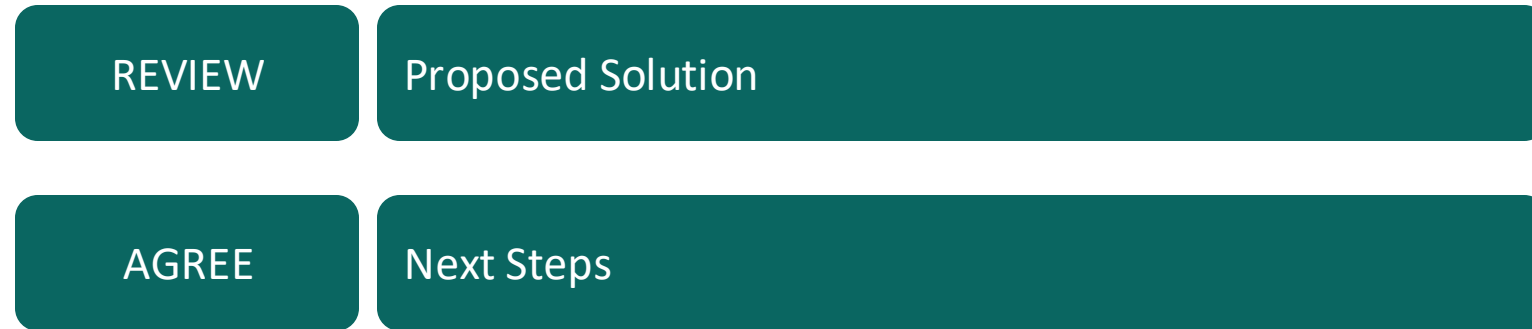


# ■ MP265 'Implementing ADT changes in response to a Security Incident'

Georgie Severin

Raised by Gordon Hextall on behalf of the Security Sub-Committee (SSC)

# ■ Objectives of the Working Group



## Issue

- The DCC can, in line with SEC Section H10 'Business Continuity' temporarily suspend a DCC User in the event of a compromise to ensure Business Continuity.
- However, in the event of a system compromise, the DCC cannot overwrite User-set ADTs to aid in the recovery process. This leads to lengthier recovery times as DCC Users are required to send new ADT values for the DCC to implement. The same DCC Users would subsequently have to re-submit values after incident management is complete.

## Solution

- The Proposed Solution would look to allow the DCC, in exceptional circumstance - and only under the recommendation of the SSC – to amend User-set ADTs to help with the recovery process.



# ■ Business Requirements (1/2)

| Ref | Requirement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1   | For instances where DCC services have been suspended for impacted Service User(s) following a Security incident, the Security Sub-Committee (SSC) – on behalf of affected DCC Users – shall authorise the DCC to make changes in User-set Anomaly Detection Thresholds (ADT) levels to prevent quarantining of critical messages for a specified period. |
| 2   | For instances where DCC services have been suspended for impacted Service User(s) following a Security incident, the DCC – under authorisation of the SSC – shall make changes in User-set ADT levels without recourse to individual Comma-Separated Values files, subject to Security controls, e.g. two-Party involvement.                             |

# ■ Business Requirements (2/2)

| Ref | Requirement                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3   | For instances where DCC services have been suspended following a Security incident, the DCC –under authorisation of the SSC – shall turn off the ADT functionality for impacted Service User(s) for a limited period to be specified by the SSC.  |
| 4   | For instances where DCC services have resumed following a Security incident suspension, the DCC – under authorisation of the SSC – shall return to the previous User-set ADT settings for impacted Service User(s) at a time specified by the SSC |

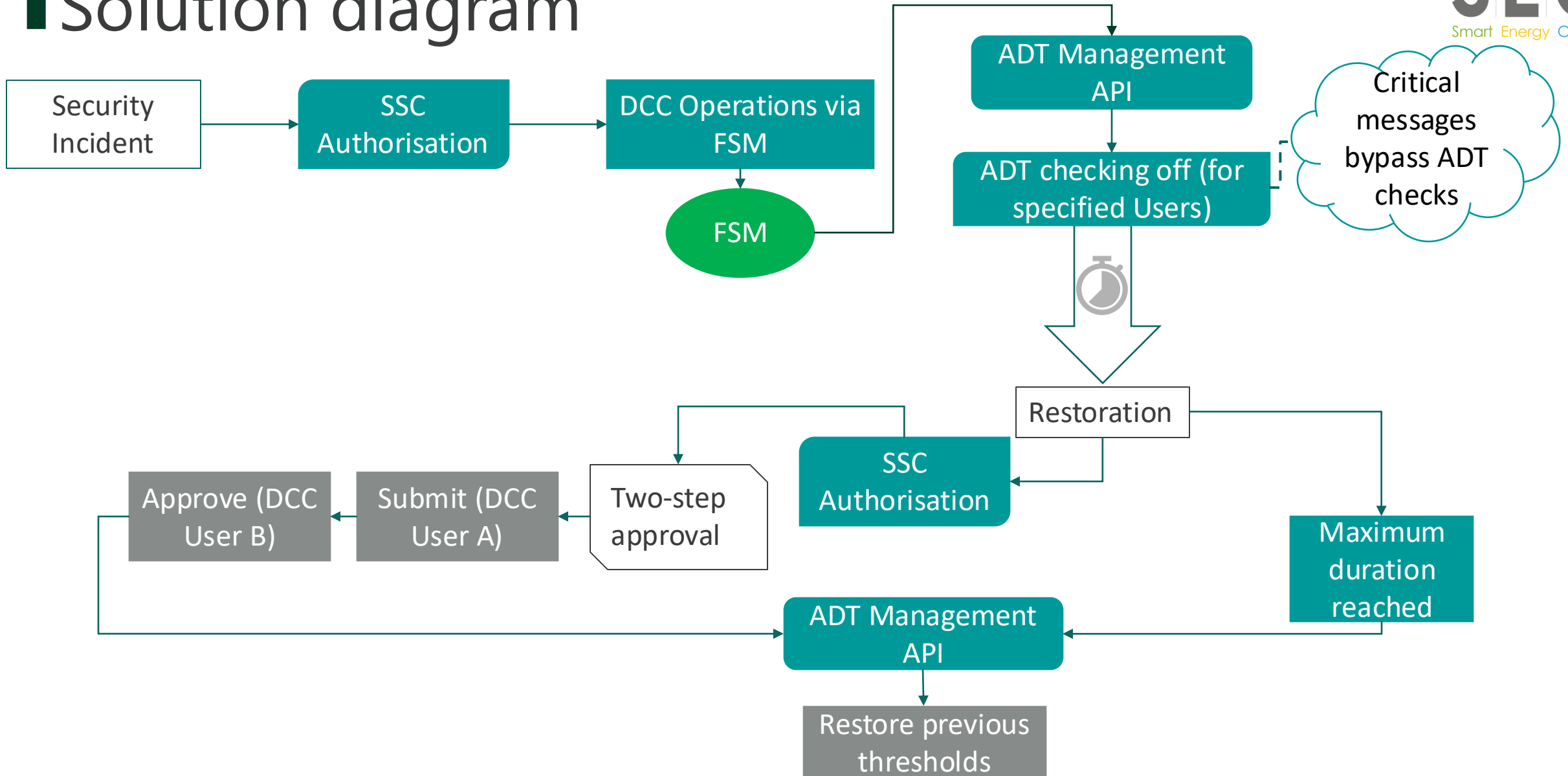
# ■ August 2025 Working Group comments

Working Group members raised questions about the lack of SRV-specific approach to the suspension. Some SRVs (7.2, for example) are critical, and as such suspending activity may have an impact.



To avoid quarantining critical messages, User-set ADT settings for SRVs will be suspended for a limited amount of time. This would allow critical messages to be processed as part of the recovery process.

# Solution diagram





# ■ Preliminary Assessment Summary

## Cost (Design, Build & PIT)

- £150,000 - £230,000

## Implementation

- Expected to take **3 months** up to the end of PIT
- Based on the existing requirements, the total fixed price cost for a Full Impact Assessment is **£29,117** and would be expected to be completed in **40 Working Days**.

## Considerations

- This Modification is only targeting a Future DSP implementation.

# ■ Questions for the Working Group

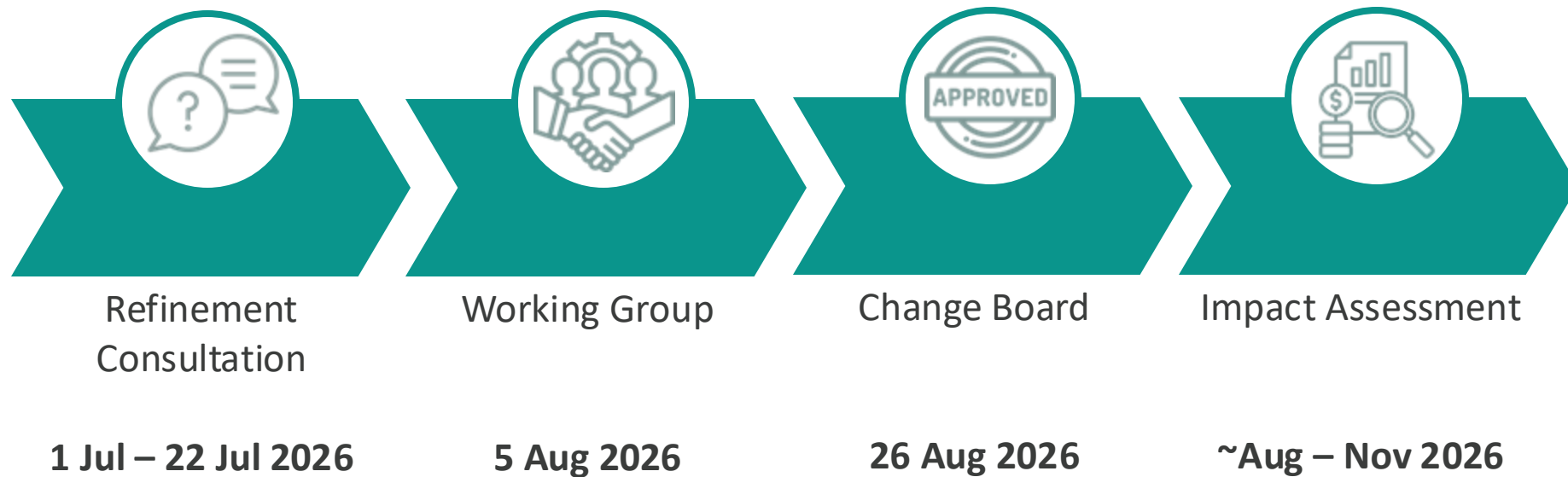
Does the Proposed Solution deliver the requirements?



Any further comments?



# ■ Next Steps



# MP320 'Enhanced MAP & Manufacturer DCC reporting'

Simon Grimwood

Raised by Bradley Baker from the DCC

**STANDARD**

# Objectives of the Working Group

NOTE

The Refinement Consultation responses

AGREE

The next steps



# Overview

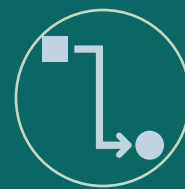
- MP181 introduced a dataset of reporting specifically for MAPs & Manufacturers.
- The DCC (in line with DCC Users) wish to enhance the current dataset
- The DCC are also seeking implementation of a new 'SEC Required Document'

## 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



# ■ Proposed Solution (Original Scope)

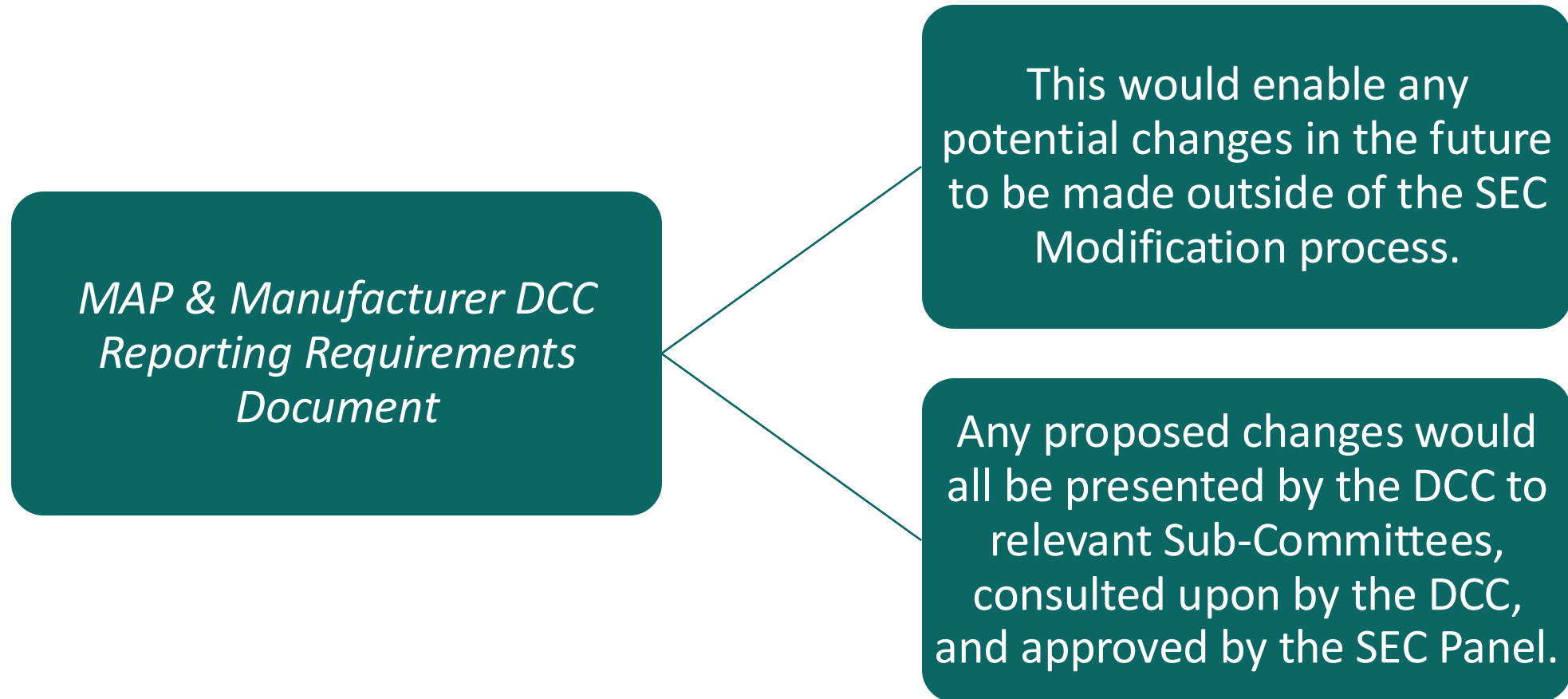
| Datasets - April 2026 WG                                                                         |
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| Mismatched CH Variant                                                                            |
| Non-communicating meters triage / failure categorisation info                                    |
| Monthly read data: for 4.6.1 scheduled daily reads & 4.8.1 monthly profile reads and 8FOA Alerts |
| Failed Change of Supplier (COS) data                                                             |
| Meter is chatty flag                                                                             |
| Original firmware, date last updated                                                             |

***\*These datapoints are already in use within other DCC reporting datasets***

# ■ Proposed Solution (Additional Scope)

| Datasets - June 2026 WG                                     |                                                                      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Smart Meter ID                                              | Communications Hub make, model and firmware version                  |
| Smart Meter Type, Smart Meter Model and Manufacturer        | GBCS Version                                                         |
| Firmware version                                            | Date of last (successful) communication                              |
| SMI Status                                                  | Successful communication in last 60/35 days                          |
| Region                                                      | Number of days since last successful communication                   |
| Registered Supplier(s) and its/their effective from date(s) | Last successful communicating type                                   |
| Number of days since last SRV was sent for the Device       | Last SR Variant (for the last SRV)                                   |
| Last SR response (for the last SRV)                         | Number of days since last Alert                                      |
| Last Alert type                                             | Number of days since last successful communication for the whole HAN |
| Communications Hub status                                   | VMO2 mesh reporting (gate, hop, leaf)                                |
| Manufacturer CH outputs (not linked to meters)              | CH commissioned date-time                                            |
| ESME clock drift information                                |                                                                      |

# ■ Proposed Solution (Code Required Doc)



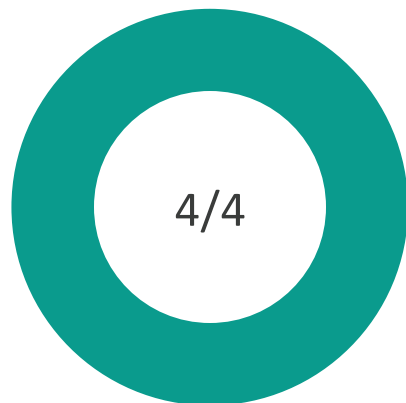
The proposed changes to SEC Section A ‘Definitions and Interpretations’ & SEC Section H ‘DCC Services’ would centre around the establishment of the new Code Required Document within the SEC.

Section A changes would define the new Code Required Document, & Section H changes would outline the DCC’s obligation to establish & regularly review said document, as well as outlining the governance process for future proposed changes.

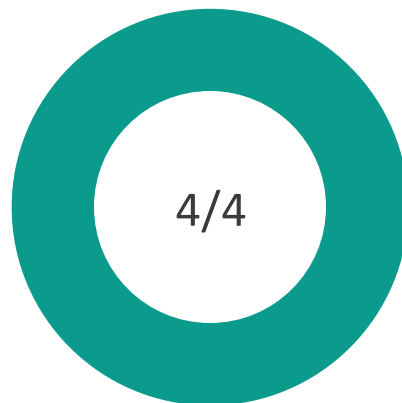
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| <u><b>MAP &amp; Manufacturer DCC Reporting Requirements Document</b></u> | <u>means the document to be established, reviewed and updated by the DCC, as further described in Section H17 (MAP / Manufacturer Data Reports).</u> |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

H17.1 The DCC shall establish and periodically review, in consultation with Parties, a document (to be known as the ‘MAP & Manufacturer DCC Reporting Requirements Document’ which lists the reasonable datasets which are to constitute the Data to be reported on by the DCC, and at what cadence the reports can be requested.

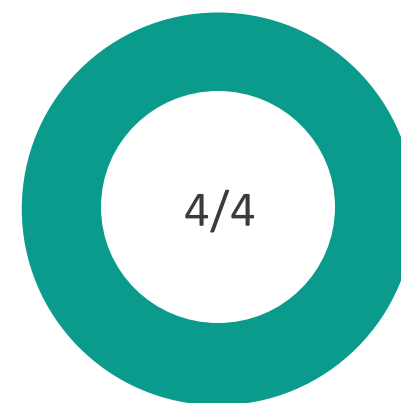
# ■ Refinement Consultation key points



MP320 should be approved



Agree with the legal text



Agree implementation  
approach



# Refinement Consultation key points

## Implementation costs

Other SEC Parties = £0 - £50,000



## Lead times

Other SEC Parties = 0 – 6 Weeks

*SEC Objective (a)* - facilitate the efficient provision, installation, and operation, as well as interoperability, of Smart Metering Systems at Energy Consumers' premises within Great Britain.

SEC Objective (b) – 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.

SEC Objective (c) – 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.

SEC Objective (g) – facilitate the efficient and transparent administration and implementation of this Code.

# ■ Refinement Consultation key points

## Respondent comment

'...the final set of items included in Work Package 1 appears to have been determined by the DCC...', ...'As a result, the dataset does not fully reflect the differing operational needs of all MAPs, and some items that would have delivered significant value are absent'.

'Will the cost of the MAP/Manufacturer report change? That wasn't mentioned anywhere in the Refinement Consultation pack, so we presume any change will be minimal'.

## SECAS/DCC response

*A response will be provided by the DCC in a written or verbal format for the July Working Group meeting.*

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# ■ Refinement Consultation key points

## Respondent comment

‘The charging period proposed by DCC is less than 3 years, ideally this should be at least 3 years. The process for changing the report going forward needs more detail’.

‘If one party wants a change to be made, how will this be shared with all other parties? Does the DCC want individual suggestions into the regulation mailbox? Or will the CMAP population make suggestions and one and manufacturers as one?’

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# ■ Refinement Consultation key points

## Respondent comment

‘How many parties will need to agree to the proposal for it to be progressed? I.e. this cannot be one and should be a representative number from across everyone that takes the report’

‘How frequently can requests be made?’

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## Issues Group

Supportive of the Proposal

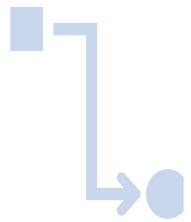
Agreed OPSG input required

## OPSG

No concerns or queries raised

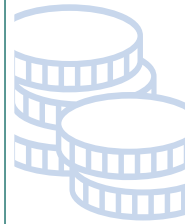
Chair gave OPSG approval

# ■ Assessment of Change



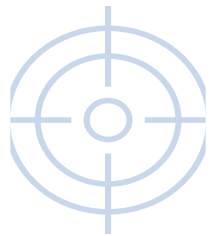
## Impacted Parties

- Other SEC Parties
- DCC



## Costs

- SECAS implementation costs
- DCC Reporting Development Costs (TBC)



## Target Release

- Ad hoc SEC Release



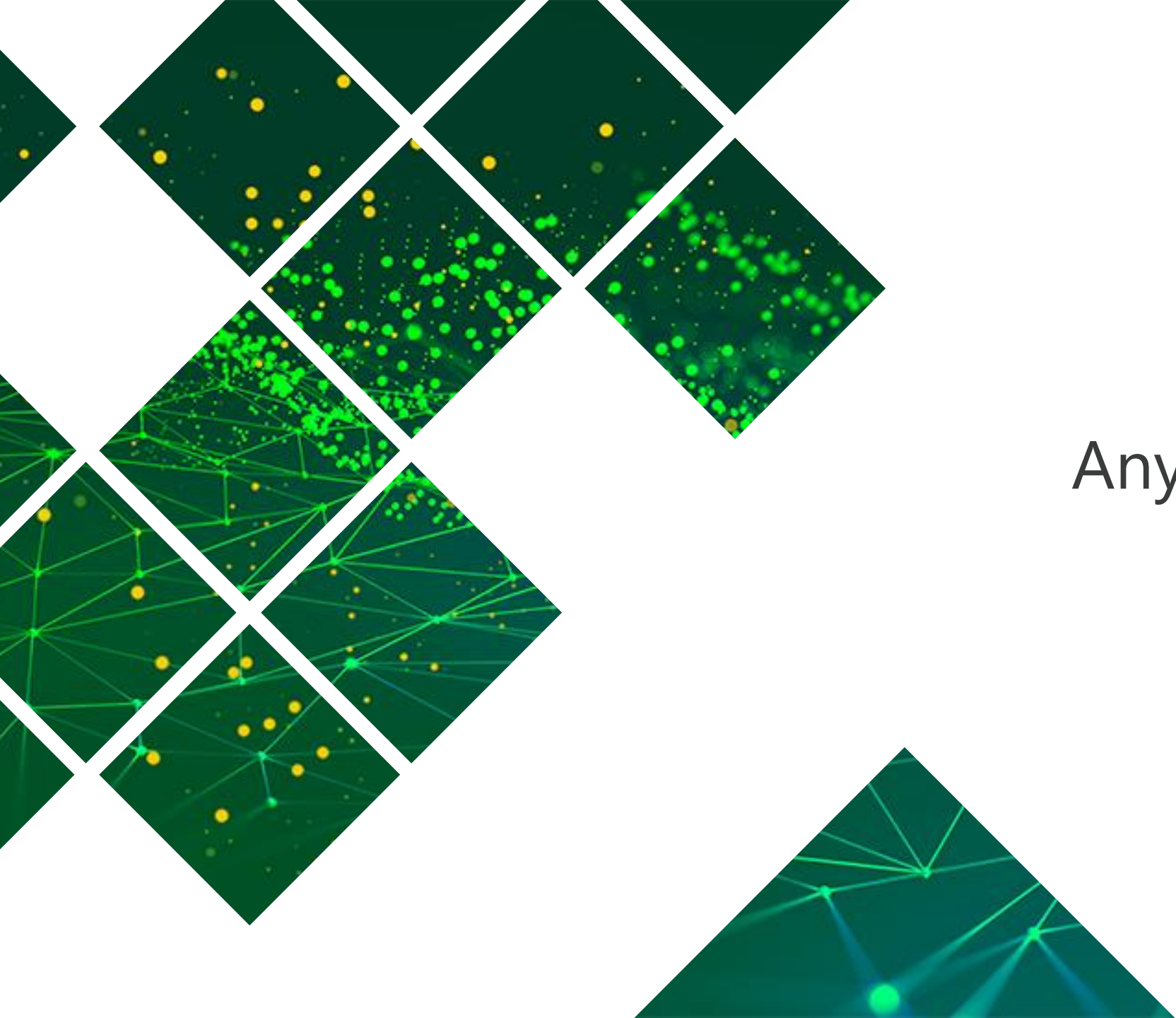
## Benefits

- More information for MAPs & Manufacturers



# Next Steps





Thank you for  
listening

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Any further comments?

# ■ MP323 'Introduction of DCC Charging Arrangement Notice Periods'

Georgie Severin

Raised by Charlotte Gilbert from BUUK

# Objectives of the Working Group

|        |                           |
|--------|---------------------------|
| REVIEW | Draft Legal Text          |
| AGREE  | DCC Charging Arrangements |
| AGREE  | Next Steps                |

## Issue

- The DCC annually determines how Fixed Charges are apportioned across User groups.
- SEC Section K 'Charging Methodology' does not define a notice period for changes to this split, creating uncertainty over a Users future charges.



## New Section K3.13A

K3.13A The DCC shall notify Parties of the Charging Group Weighting Factors applicable to a Regulatory Year, including any amendments to such Charging Group Weighting Factors, no less than **[X]** in advance of their effective date.

- (a) Such notification shall be provided as part of, or alongside, the publication of the Charging Statement for the relevant Regulatory Year.
- (b) Where the DCC proposes to amend the Charging Group Weighting Factors after publication of the Charging Statement, it shall provide Parties with no less than **[X]** notice prior to such amended Charging Group Weighting Factors taking effect.



# Questions for the Working Group

Does the draft legal text deliver the Proposed Solution?



Has an appropriate notice period for changes to the DCC Charging arrangements been identified?



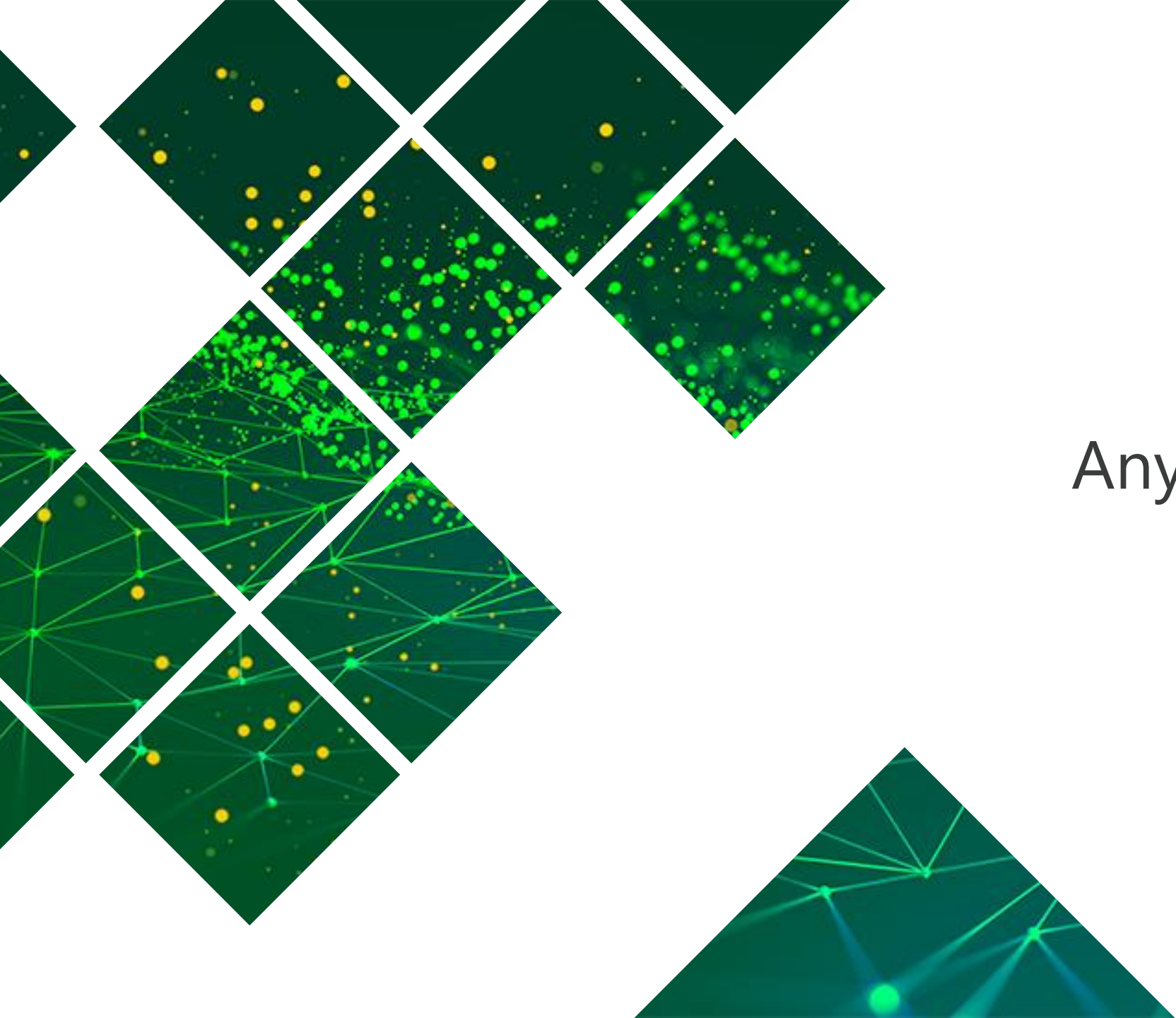
Any further comments?





# Next Steps





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Any further comments?

# ■ MP325 – SMCL2 Code Changes

Raised by Sasha Townsend from the DCC  
Simon Grimwood

# Objectives of the Working Group

|        |                       |
|--------|-----------------------|
| REVIEW | The Proposed Solution |
| AGREE  | The next steps        |

# Overview

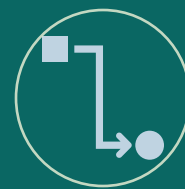
- The SEC was designed based on a single, continuous Party responsible for Smart Metering Communications (DCC)
- The SEC does not account for the implementation of a new licence
- The SEC currently is unable to support the implementation of the new DCC licence (SMCL2)

## Issue



- Changes to Charging, Invoicing and Payment flows are required
- Amends to SEC Objectives and Elective Communications Service
- New and additional terminology requirements

## Impact



- Make amends to SEC Documents (Sections A, C, H, & M) to reflect the required changes needed to implement DCC2/SMCL2

## Potential Solution





# ■ Proposed Solution Summary 1/2

## SEC Section A

Add 3 new definitions:  
*DCC Licence*  
*Transitional Approach Document*  
*Additional User Services*  
*Additional User Services Request*

## SEC Section C

Amendments to the existing SEC Objectives

## SEC Section H

Transition from 'Elective Communication Services' to 'Additional User Services'

*\*Legal text is under development and subject to change. This will be shared during Refinement Consultation.*

# ■ Proposed Solution Summary 2/2

## SEC Section M

Establish the DCC Licence Transitional Approach Document (which will become SEC Appendix BH)

## DCC Licence Transitional Approach Document

Establish and outline the changes needed to facilitate the transition from the existing DCC licence to SMCL2

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# ■ Questions for the Working Group

Is there anything else you expected to be included in this modification?

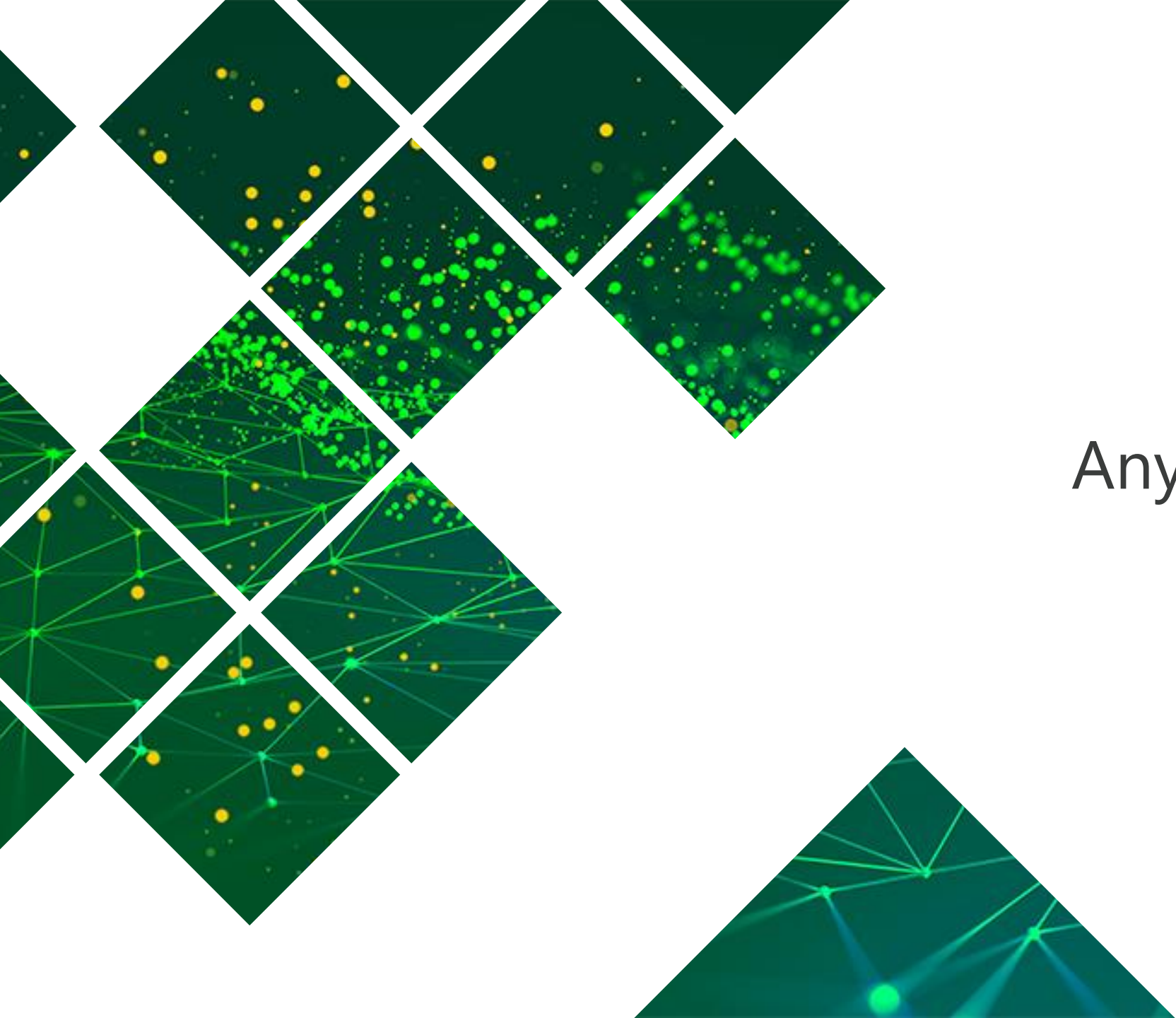


Anything else that needs to be considered?



# ■ Next Steps





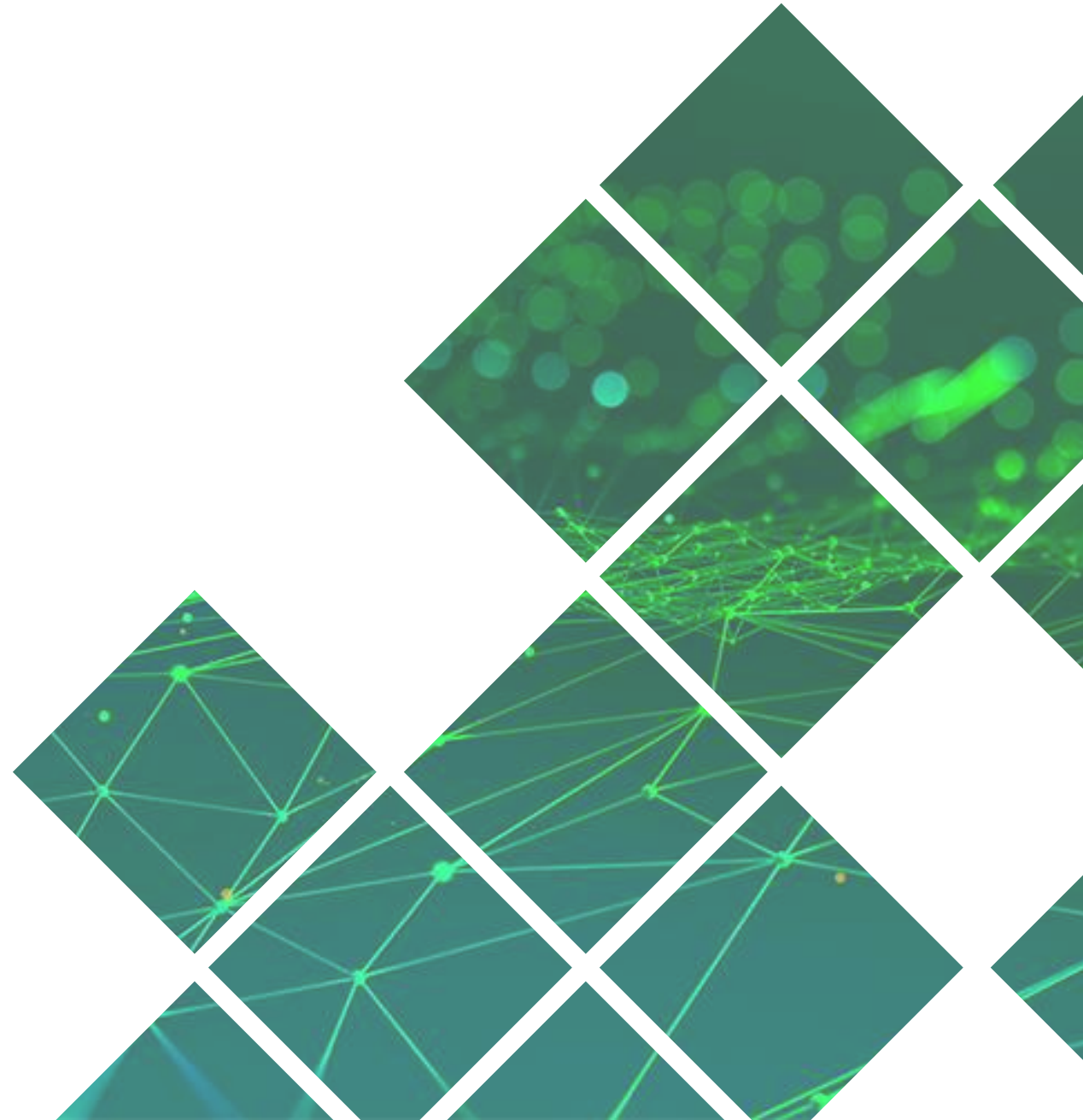
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# AOB

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# SEC PARTY ENGAGEMENT DAY

- **When:** 15 July 2026, 9:00 – 5:00
- **Who:** SEC Parties (attendance will be limited to two representatives per Party)
- **What:** The event will feature:
  - ✓ Updates from the Smart Energy Code Company
  - ✓ Cross-industry insights and discussion
  - ✓ Perspectives on developments across the energy and smart metering landscape
  - ✓ Opportunities to connect with industry peers and stakeholders
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# Thank you for attending

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Wednesday 5 August 2026