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SEC Change Board Meeting 69

24 August 2022, 10:00 – 10:55

Teleconference

SECCB_69_2408 - Draft Minutes

Attendees:

Category	Change Board Members
Change Board Chair	David Kemp (DK)
Large Suppliers	David Rodger (DR)
	Emma Johnson (EJ)
	Emslie Law (EL)
	Robert Johnstone (RJ)
	Sharon Armitage (SA)
Small Suppliers	Daniel Davies (DD) <i>(Alternate for Carolyn Burns)</i>
Network Parties	Gemma Slaney (GS)
	Stephen Charlton (SC)
	Andy Clasper (ACI)
Other SEC Parties	Alastair Cobb (ACo)
	Ian Lovatt (IL) <i>(Alternate for Mike Woodhall)</i>
	Patrick Caiger-Smith (PCS)
Consumers	Ed Rees (ER)
Representing	Other Participants
Data Communications Company (DCC)	David Walsh (DW)
	David Rollason (DR)
	Del Kang (DKa)
Ofgem	Scott McPhillimy (SM)
	Jamie Flaherty (JF)

	Jennifer Semple (JS)
SECAS	Mike Fenn (MF)
	Bradley Baker (BB)
	Kev Duddy (KD)
	Ben Giblin (BG)
	Rebecca Sawyer (RS) (<i>Meeting Secretariat</i>)

Apologies:

Representing	Participant
Large Suppliers	Alex Hurcombe
Small Suppliers	Gareth Evans
Small Suppliers	Carolyn Burns
Other SEC parties	Mike Woodhall

1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The Meeting Secretary (RS) informed the Change Board that comments were received from the DCC on the minutes from the previous Change Board meeting held on Wednesday 22 June 2022. The Change Board agreed the changes and **APPROVED** the minutes as final.

2. Actions Outstanding

Action Reference	Action
67/01	SECAS and the DCC to ensure that the relevant DCC guidance documents are prepared and proactively circulated to Users suitably in advance of the SSI and MP109 changes being implemented
This action is in progress and is expected to be completed by September. Status: Open	
68/01	SECAS to work with Ofgem and other Codes to look at the Code change landscape and consider any lessons to be learnt for the future
24/08/22 - SECAS will raise this for discussion with Ofgem and the other Code Administrators and Managers at the September 2022 CACoP Forum meeting. Status: Open	

3. Change Board Votes

MP096 'DNO power Outage Alerts'

The Change Board was invited to perform the final vote on [MP096 'DNO power Outage Alerts'](#). The final vote on this modification had been deferred from the last meeting as the DCC completed further work with Distribution Network Operators (DNOs) and SECAS to clarify details around the reports that will be generated from the Proposed Solution.

The DCC (DR) explained the updated Performance Measurement Methodology (PMM) timeline, with the expected dates for consultation and approval of the changes.

A Change Board member (GS) requested that the DCC be explicit with the Alert names and reference numbers in the document. The DCC (DR) confirmed that it had made the changes in the document to be more specific in the terminology as requested, however this was not distributed in time to Change Board members.

The DCC (DR) noted that the new Power Outage Alert reporting will be in the Performance Measurement Report (PMR). The Power Restoration Alerts will also be in the PMR and in the PID. The DCC considered that the current wording of the SEC allowed this but felt a further change to state which Indicators can be reported on within the PMR would be beneficial. This could be progressed via a future housekeeping modification.

The Change Board agreed to proceed to vote, and the voting outcome is shown below:

Party Category	Approve	Reject	Abstain	Conclusion
Large Suppliers	5	0	0	Approve
Small Suppliers	1	0	0	Approve
Network Parties	2	0	1	Approve
Other SEC Parties	3	0	0	Approve
Consumers	1	0	0	Approve
Overall conclusion:				Approve

The view of the Change Board is that MP096 will better facilitate SEC Objective (b)¹ and (g)² for the reasons given by the Proposer in the Modification Report. One Network Party member abstained as they considered this change was not relevant to Gas Network Parties.

The Change Board:

- **AGREED** this Modification Proposal should proceed to vote
- **RECOMMENDED** that the Modification Proposal should be **APPROVED** by the Authority
- **PROVIDED** rationale for this recommendation against the General SEC Objectives

This modification will now be submitted to the Authority for decision. If the Authority determines to approve MP096, it will be implemented 10 Working Days later in an ad hoc SEC Release.

¹ Enable the DCC to comply at all times with the objectives of the DCC licence and to discharge the other obligations imposed upon it by the DCC licence

² Facilitate the efficient and transparent administration and implementation of the SEC

MP102B 'Power outage Alerts triggered by an OTS firmware upgrade – enduring solution'

The Change Board was invited to perform the final vote on [MP102B 'Power Outage Alerts triggered - by an OTA firmware upgrade – enduring solution'](#).

The Change Board had no comments on this modification and agreed to proceed to vote. The voting outcome is shown below:

Party Category	Approve	Reject	Abstain	Conclusion
Large Suppliers	5	0	0	Approve
Small Suppliers	1	0	0	Approve
Network Parties	2	0	1	Approve
Other SEC Parties	3	0	0	Approve
Consumers	1	0	0	Approve
Overall conclusion:				Approve

The view of the Change Board is that MP102B will better facilitate SEC Objective (a)³ for the reasons given by the Proposer in the Modification Report. One Network Party member abstained as they considered this change was not relevant to Gas Network Parties.

The Change Board:

- **AGREED** this Modification Proposal should proceed to vote;
- **DETERMINED** that this Modification Proposal should be **APPROVED** under Self-Governance; and
- **PROVIDED** rationale for this decision against the General SEC Objective

There will now be 10 Working Days for any SEC Party who wishes to refer the Change Board's decision to the Change Sub-Committee (CSC). This referral period will close at **5pm on Thursday 15 September 2022**. If no referrals are notified, the decision will be final and MP102B will be implemented in the June 2023 SEC Release.

MP125 'Correcting Device Information for the ESME Variant'

The Change Board was invited to perform the final vote on [MP125 'Correcting Device Information for the ESME variant'](#).

A Change Board member (DR) asked if the modification would include guidance for Suppliers on which Electricity Smart Metering Equipment (ESME) variant should go with each meter, as it is not always easy to tell which meters have boosts or auxiliary load controls, especially in a situation where the Supplier is inheriting the meter.

SECAS (MF) explained that there is a guidance note in which the Quality Assurance (QA) process has been laid out and agreed to share the documentation offline following the meeting. The Chair agreed that SECAS should also look at whether further guidance should be produced ahead of implementation

³ Facilitate the effective and transparent administration and implementation of this Code

ACTION69/01: SECAS to provide clarity on what guidance has been produced for the MP125 solution, and what further guidance will be produced prior to go-live.

The Change Board proceeded to vote:

Party Category	Approve	Reject	Abstain	Conclusion
Large Suppliers	5	0	0	Approve
Small Suppliers	1	0	0	Approve
Network Parties	2	0	1	Approve
Other SEC Parties	3	0	0	Approve
Consumers	1	0	0	Approve
Overall conclusion:				Approve

The view of the Change Board is that MP125 will better facilitate SEC Objective (a) for the reasons given by the Proposer in the Modification Report. One Network Party member abstained as they considered this change was not relevant to Gas Network Parties.

The Change Board:

- **AGREED** this Modification Proposal should proceed to vote
- **DETERMINED** that this Modification Proposal should be **APPROVED** under Self-Governance
- **PROVIDED** rationale for this decision against the General SEC Objectives

There will now be 10 Working Days for any SEC Party who wishes to refer the Change Board's decision to the Change Sub-Committee (CSC). This referral period will close at **5pm on Thursday 15 September 2022**. If no referrals are notified, the decision will be final and MP125 will be implemented in the June 2023 SEC Release.

4. Impact Assessment Requests

MP176 'Customer Analytics Reporting'

The Change Board was presented with the DCC Impact Assessment request for the Alternative Solution for [MP176 'Customer Analytics Reporting'](#).

A Change Board member (EL) queried the cost allocation of the modification, as they were aware that funding had been made available to the DCC to progress a similar line of work under the Enhanced Self Service (ESS) programme.

The DCC (DW) responded that the ESS had a wider scope of work than MP176 but agreed to clarify the work being done under ESS, and the funding that Ofgem has provided, and how this would overlap with MP176. The DCC confirmed that the Impact Assessment request being presented covered only the requirements for the MP176 Alternative Solution set out in the Modification Report and that no wider requirements for ESS would be covered.

ACTION69/02: DCC to provide clarity on how the Enhanced Self-Service (ESS) changes overlap with the MP176 changes, and how this may affect the MP176 implementation costs.

The Change Board:

- **AGREED** that the DCC Impact Assessment should be requested

5. Any Other Business

One Change Board member (ACo) noted the modifications presented for vote that were targeted for the June 2023 SEC Release and queried if the Change Board's time would be better spent on the outstanding modifications targeted for the November 2022 SEC Release. The Chair confirmed that [MP186 'Section D Review \(2020\): further enhancements'](#) was with the Authority for determination, [MP129 'Allowing the use of CNSA variant for ECDSA'](#) would be brought for vote as soon as the Technical Specification Issue Resolution Subgroup (TSIRS) had provided the necessary confirmation on the legal text, and [MP212 'Housekeeping changes 2022'](#) was on track to be voted upon next month. SECAS is reviewing the timetable for [MP203 'Security Assurance of Device Triage Facilities'](#) to see if this can be brought forward for inclusion in the November 2022 SEC Release.

There was no further business, and the Chair closed the meeting.

Next scheduled meeting date: 21 September 2022