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MP248 ‘Requirements for DCC Gateway Connection’ Conclusions Report – version 0.1

About this document

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

Summary of conclusions

Modification Report Consultation

SECAS received seven responses to the Modification Report Consultation. All respondents believed that the modification should be approved. They considered the modification better facilitated SEC Objectives (d)¹, (e)², (f)³ and (g)⁴.

¹ facilitate effective competition between persons engaged in, or in Commercial Activities connected with, the Supply of Energy.

² facilitate such innovation in the design and operation of Energy Networks (as defined in the DCC Licence) as will best contribute to the delivery of a secure and sustainable Supply of Energy.

³ ensure the protection of Data and the security of Data and Systems in the operation of this Code.

⁴ facilitate the efficient and transparent administration and implementation of this Code.

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Modification Report Consultation responses

Summary of responses

One respondent (Large Supplier) believed that the modification was a cost effective and modern way of providing connectivity. This is due to the one-way file transfer from the Registered Data Provider (RDP) not requiring a physical infrastructure to send one file.

Another Respondent (Other SEC Party) believed that this modification should be approved as it believed it would improve competition through the removal of a possible barrier to entry for potential new entrants.

One respondent (Network Party) believed that if the virtual connection provides the same level of security or more that this modification should be approved as it would provide flexibility in receiving RDP files as well as be more cost effective.

One respondent (Network Party) highlighted that it is supportive of the Proposed Solution as it would enable Parties to employ modern IT network communications as opposed to the current physical connections which require a physical premises.

Another Respondent (Network Party) agreed with the Proposed Solution and highlighted that it would allow the DCC to share dataflows without the need for a physical connection.