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Stage 02: Working Group Consultation

SECMP0057:

Users to notify SSC of a second or subsequent User System

What stage is this document in the process?

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Summary

This modification seeks to ensure that Users inform the Security Sub-Committee (SSC) when they are seeking to utilise a second or subsequent User System which may or may not be provided or operated by a Shared Service Provider.

Working Group View



- The initial **unanimous** view of the Working Group is that SECMP0057 should be **approved**.

Impacts



- All Party Categories
- There are no impacts on DCC Central Systems or Party interfacing systems

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Response Deadline



- This consultation closes at 5pm on Friday 5th October 2018.

About this Document

This is the Working Group Consultation (WGC) for SECMP0057. This document provides a high-level summary of the issue, solution(s), impacts and costs, implementation date and WG's views on the Modification Proposal;

This document has three attachments:

- Attachment A contains the Draft Modification Report (DMR) which provides a detailed explanation of the issue, solution(s), impacts, costs, implementation as well as the full WG discussions and conclusions;
- Attachment B contains the draft legal text changes to support this modification;
- Attachment C contains the WGC response form.

As part of this consultation SEC Parties will be asked to provide their views on SECMP0057. The information provided will help us to better understand the benefits and drawbacks of the modification, shape the solution(s) and assist the Panel and the Change Board and/or the Authority in their determination.

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Summary of SECMP0057

What is the issue?

Under the current arrangements there is no obligation on Users to notify the SSC or any other party before they begin to utilise a second or subsequent User System. Nor is there a requirement for there to be a User Security Assessment of a second or subsequent User System.

Due to the interconnected nature of the DCC Central Systems there is a risk to the overall security of smart metering if a second or subsequent User System is introduced without any formal consideration of the security risks.

What is the Proposed Solution?

This modification seeks to require all Users to notify the SSC before they begin to utilise a second or subsequent User System. This will enable the SSC to consider the security risks and to advise the User accordingly once the SSC has made its decision on whether to wait to review the second or subsequent User System at its next annual review or to arrange an ad-hoc review.

Impacts

Party

Large Supplier Parties	X	Small Supplier Parties	X
Electricity Network Parties	X	Gas Network Parties	X
Other SEC Parties	X		

System

DCC Systems		Party interfacing systems	
Smart Metering Systems		Communication Hubs	
Other systems			

Implementation Costs

The total estimated implementation cost to deliver SECMP0057 is approximately £2,400 consisting of SECAS administration effort.

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Implementation Date

The Working Group recommends an implementation date of:

- 28th February 2019, if a decision to approve is made by 14th February 2019; or
- 10 Working Days following approval if a decision is received after 14th February 2019.

Working Group's initial views

The Working Group believes unanimously that SECMP0057 better facilitates the SEC Objectives (a), (e) and (g).

The Working Group therefore believes that this Modification Proposal should be **approved**.

Where can you find further information?

A full description of the issue, solution(s), impacts, costs, implementation date and the Working Groups views on the merits of SECMP0057 can be found in the DMR (Attachment A).