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SEC Panel Meeting 104

09:30 – 13:00, 13 May 2022

SECP_104_1305 – Meeting Headlines

Decision, Discussion and Information Items

1. Minutes and Actions Outstanding (For Information)

The Panel noted that the minutes from the April Panel meeting had been approved ex-committee. The Panel **NOTED** the update and **AGREED** that all actions marked as Propose to Close could be closed.

2. Network Transition and Sunset Transition (For Information) (GREEN)

The DCC provided an update to SEC Panel on the questions raised by the SEC Panel at its March meeting, and by Implementation Managers Forum (IMF) attendees, regarding 2G/3G Network sunset impacts and the 4G Communication Hubs and Network programme. The Panel **NOTED** the DCC responses and update.

3. Energy Code Reform Webinar Summary (For Information)

SECAS presented key take-outs from a webinar held by Ofgem, summarising the outcome of the Energy Code Reform Consultation. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

4. Consequential Costs (For Discussion)

SECAS set out provisions of the SEC relating to potential liabilities and claims for losses by SEC Parties where Services are not provided in accordance with the SEC. The Panel **NOTED** and **DISCUSSED** the issues raised in this paper, and **PROVIDED FEEDBACK** and steer to SECAS on proposed actions and next steps. SECAS will investigate further and provide another paper at the June Panel meeting.

5. Draft Panel response to DCC ETMAD Consultation (For Decision) (GREEN)

SECAS provided a summary of the DCC consultation on the “Go Live” version of the ECoS Transition and Migration Approach Document (ETMAD) SEC Appendix AS, and presented a proposed Panel response. The Panel **NOTED** the update and **APPROVED** the draft response, with the addition that Supply Chain issue and the Transitional Change of Supplier (TCoS) migration plan should be detailed with timescales for migration, shared with Parties and updated as migration progresses.

6. SEC Panel Risk and Issue Register Update (For Decision) (GREEN)

SECAS presented the Panel with the quarterly update on SEC Panel Risks and Issues. The Panel:

- **APPROVED** the amendments to the existing SEC Panel Risks and Issues set out in Annexes A and B respectively;
- **NOTED** that one new SSC Risk has been escalated this quarter;
- **NOTED** the updates to the previously escalated Sub-Committee Risks; and
- **AGREED** a Risk should be added to the SEC Panel Risk Register on Energy Code Reform to monitor the Panel's role in decision-making and drive clarity.

7. Privacy Assessment Review (For Decision) (RED)

The SEC Panel is required to consider and set an assurance or compliance status for each SEC Party that has undergone a Privacy Assessment (SEC Section I2.23). SECAS presented the outcome of Other User 'T's initial Full User Privacy Assessment (iFUPA) and Shared Resource Provider 'C's Full User Privacy Assessment. The Panel **AGREED** SECAS' recommendations.

8. [MP162 'SEC changes required to deliver MHHS'](#) – Privacy Assessment for Meter Data Retrieval (MDR) Users (For Decision)

SECAS informed the Panel that [MP162 'SEC changes required to deliver MHHS'](#) will introduce the new MDR User Role to support the wider Market-Wide Half-Hourly settlement (MHHS) solution. Subsequently, SECAS has been assessing and consulting on whether this new User Role would need to undergo User Privacy Assessments, and considers that it would not. The Panel **DISAGREED** that the process for appointing an MDR is suitably robust and that MDR Users will not need to undergo User Privacy Assessments and **REQUESTED** that SECAS undertakes further investigation and provides a further paper.

9. [MP186 'Section D Review \(2020\): further enhancements'](#) – Panel review of the Proposed Solution (For Decision)

SECAS informed the Panel that [MP186 'Section D Review \(2020\): further enhancements'](#) is currently undergoing the Refinement Process, and set out two proposals from the Proposed Solution which seek to enhance the Change Sub-Committee's (CSC's) role in the Modification Process. The Panel **AGREED** that the responsibilities set out in SEC Section D remain with the Panel, with these continuing to be delegated to the CSC via the Delegations Register, but with enhanced monthly reporting to the Panel. This will also be communicated to SEC Parties via the SECAS newsletter. The Panel also **AGREED** that the approval of DCC Impact Assessments should be moved from the Change Board to the CSC.

10. [MP149 'Effecting Changes to the Smart Energy Code efficiently'](#): Addressing Ofgem concerns (For Decision)

In February 2022 [MP149 'Effecting Changes to the Smart Energy Code efficiently'](#) was rejected by the Authority, following a Change Board recommendation to approve. SECAS presented the reasons for Ofgem's decision and how SECAS would address these concerns if this proposal was re-raised. The Panel **AGREED** that SECAS and Ofgem should have a conversation to fully understand what else is needed to address Ofgem's concerns, before considering re-raising the proposal.

11. SECAS Customer Satisfaction Survey Results (For Decision) (GREEN)

This item was deferred until the June Panel meeting due to time restriction.

12. Engagement Day preparations (For Decision) (Verbal)

SECAS presented the annual Engagement Day plan, which the Panel **APPROVED**.

13. Current Events of Default (For Decision) (RED)

SECAS updated the Panel on Events of Default, insolvent suppliers, and SEC Parties being expelled from or withdrawing from the SEC. The Panel **NOTED** the update, and **AGREED** to SECAS' recommendations.

14. SEC Panel Meeting Dates: 2022 and 2023 (For Decision)

At SEC Panel 103, the Panel agreed to move its meetings from the third Friday of the month to the fourth Tuesday of the month from October 2022. SECAS presented revised dates for the remainder of 2022 for approval, as well as the 2023 meeting dates. The Panel **AGREED** the proposed meeting date schedule for October, November and December 2022, **AGREED** the proposed meeting date schedule for 2023, and **RECOMMENDED** that the SECCo Board aligns its meetings with these dates.

15. BEIS Update (For Information)

BEIS provided an update on its recent publications, forthcoming consultations, and key milestones. This included upcoming publications which may be of interest to the Panel throughout May and June 2022. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

16. DCC Update (For Information)

The DCC provided the Panel with an update on the activities undertaken by the DCC since the last Panel meeting. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

17. SEC Panel Sub-Committee Report (For Decision)

SECAS provided an update on recent activities of the SEC Panel Sub-Committees. The Panel **NOTED** the update, and **ENDORSED** the concerns raised by the Sub-Committees.

18. DCC Reporting (For Information)

SECAS provided the Panel with details of the Post Commissioning Information report as provided by the DCC. The Panel **NOTED** the OPSG observations in relation to DCC reports delegated to them.

19. Operations Report (For Information)

SECAS provided the Panel with the Operations Report for April 2022, outlining the activities undertaken by the SECAS team in support of the SEC. The Panel **NOTED** the report.

20. Transitional Governance Update (For Information) (GREEN)

SECAS presented an update from the transitional governance forums and other smart metering related meetings and workshops attended by SECAS and the Panel Chair in the last month. The Panel **NOTED** the update.

21. Any Other Business (AOB)

SECAS explained that work on reviewing the SMDA scheme will commence on Monday 16 May, and that further information should be available soon. The Chair reiterated the need for SMDA to be a valuable service for Users, recognising the feedback from Users.

The Panel discussed holding a strategic event in June or July, and SECAS will schedule this.

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

Next Meeting Date: 17 June 2022