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Operations Report – August 2022

Purpose

The Operations Report is a monthly update on SECAS activities undertaken in support of the SEC during August 2022.

Recommendation

The Panel is requested to **NOTE** the contents of this paper.

SECAS Service highlights from August 2022

This report covers the following notable highlights from the previous month:

- **Party Engagement** – we will be hosting our Intro to the SEC event in association with Alt HAN Co and the SMDA which will take place on 4 October 2022. Details of upcoming webinars can be found [here](#). Slides and recordings of previous webinars can be found [here](#).
- **Security and Privacy** – we completed the quarterly Risk Register Reviews for SSC and SMKI PMA.
- **Tech Ops** – We have been developing options for the forthcoming renewal of the Business Architecture Model (BAM) hosting application, including assessing options for improving the service.
- **Change Management** – we continue to manage a high number of modifications, with 41 proposals currently open; more information on modifications and releases can be found in the SEC Change Update Report.
- **Committee Support** – we facilitated 12 Panel, Sub-Committee and Working Group meetings.

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Attachments: Appendix A: DCC Testing Notifications – UEPT, SREPT and SMETS1 Eligibility Testing (**AMBER**)

Market Entry, Exit and updates

1.1 SEC Parties

The following chart shows a breakdown of the number of [current SEC Parties](#) to the SEC by Voting Group. Excluding the DCC, there are currently 338 Parties and 272 Voting Groups. The full list of SEC Parties and their Voting Groups can be found in the [SEC Parties List](#).

SEC Parties can view all Parties, including Registration Data Providers and withdrawn / expelled Parties, in the [ID Allocation spreadsheet](#).

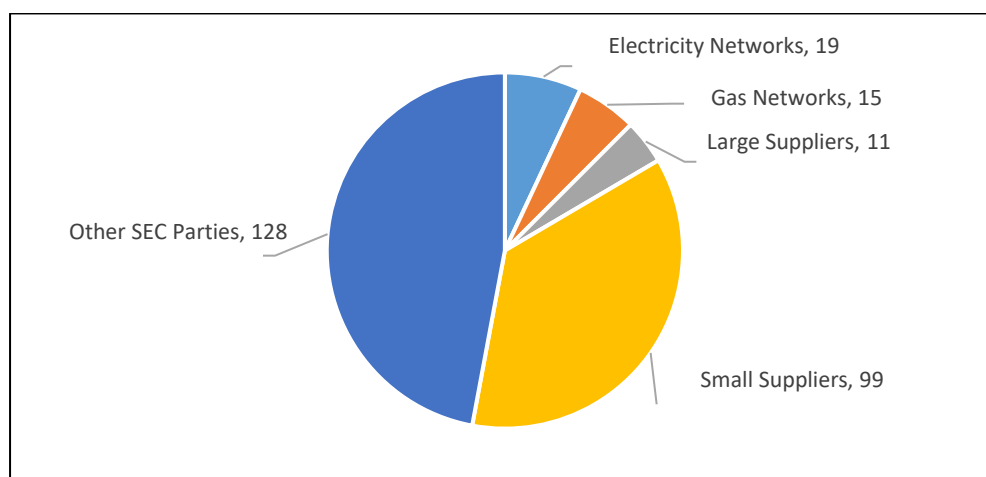


Figure 1: Breakdown of SEC Party Voting Groups by Party Category (excluding the DCC)

1.2 Market Entry and Exit

The following presents the number of Parties who entered and exited the market over the past 12 months. It also displays the Events of Default where one Party Defaulted in August 2022:

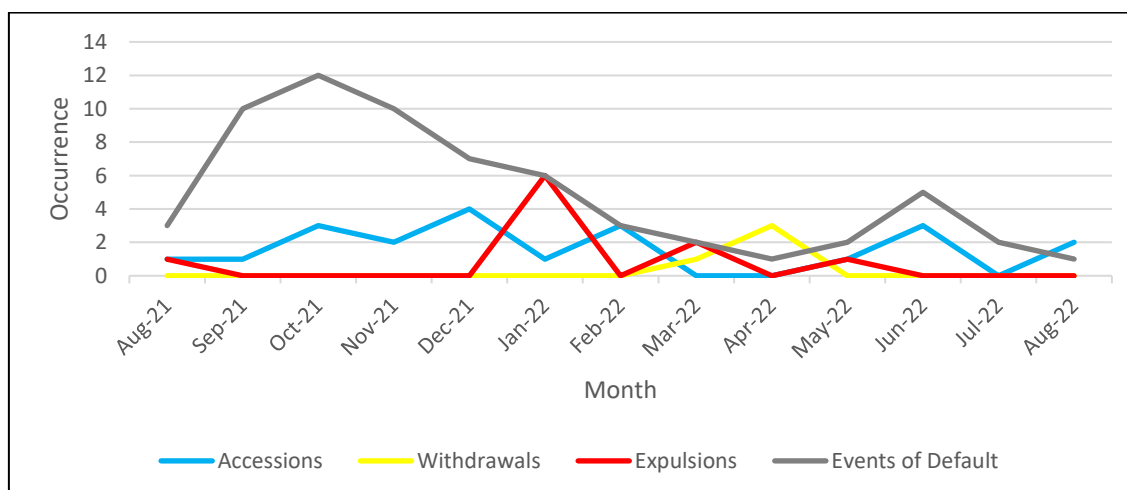


Figure 2: Accessions, withdrawals, expulsions and Events of Default in the past 12 months

In August 2022, two new Parties acceded to the SEC:

Acceded / Withdrawn / Expelled	Party Name	Party Category
Acceded	Conrad Energy (Trading) Limited	Small Suppliers
Acceded	Macquarie Energy Leasing Limited	Other SEC Parties

Table 1: Parties that entered the SEC in the previous month

1.3 User Entry Process (UEP) completion

One new Small Supplier Party, Paddington Power Limited, completed the UEP in August 2022. All current Parties that have completed the UEP can be viewed in the [SEC Parties List](#). To date, 127 current Parties have completed the UEP, and a combined total of 63 current Electricity Networks, Large and Small Suppliers have not completed the UEP.

1.4 Testing Updates

Since the last Panel meeting:

- No SEC Parties have completed **SMKI and Repository Entry Process Testing (SREPT)**;
- One SEC Party has completed **User Entry Process Testing (UEPT)**; and
- No SEC Parties have completed **SMETS1 Eligibility Testing**.

SEC Panel members can view the full list of testing completions [here](#).

Monthly SECAS Highlights

1.5 August 2022 Snapshot

Security Statistics		Modification Statistics		Committee Support	
100% Assessment compliance	8 SECAS Initial validations	3 New modifications raised	41 Modifications undergoing assessment	100% Meeting notice 5WD in advance	100% Papers issued 5WD in advance
2 Assurance or Compliance Status' Set	8 Assessments underway	4 Modifications decided upon	1 Modification implemented	100% Minutes issued 5WD after meeting	12 Meetings held
Party Engagement		Technical Operations			
4 LinkedIn posts	2 Accessions	10 New CPL Versions	18 New CPL Entries		
13 TABASC survey responses	27 Website registrations	0 New PPCL / EPCL Versions	3 CPL Removals		

1.6 Security and Privacy Update

- We hosted the usual bi-monthly Security Sub-Committee (SSC) meetings; and the monthly Smart Metering Key Infrastructure Policy Management Authority (SMKI PMA) meeting.
- We completed the quarterly Risk Register reviews for SSC and SMKI PMA.

1.7 Change Management Update

- As at the end of August, we had 41 open proposals going through the modification framework. Three new proposals were raised in August, and we are currently working on further new submissions from Proposers. Four modifications were closed (two approved and two withdrawn). One modification was implemented during August. More detailed information on modification progression and the Change Sub-Committee (CSC) and Change Board's decisions is available in the SEC Change Update Report.
- In July, the Change Board voted to recommend [MP162 'SEC changes required to deliver MHHS'](#) be rejected by the Authority. On 5 September, the Authority sent MP162 back, considering it could not make a fully informed decision without additional information. We are working closely with Ofgem and the DCC to provide the analysis sought by the Authority and update the Modification Report by its requested return date of 31 October 2022.
- [MP186 'Section D Review \(2020\): further enhancements'](#), which the Change Board recommended be approved in July, remains with the Authority for decision. Following our facilitation of extensive discussions between the DCC and the Electricity Network Parties on [MP096 'DNO Power Outage Alerts'](#), the Change Board has now recommended this modification be approved; this is now with the Authority for decision.
- [MP209 'Lifetime CPA Certificates'](#) was implemented successfully on 1 August 2022 in an ad-hoc release.
- We are continuing to work towards restarting our Modcasts, which provided bite-size audio updates on key activities relating to modifications and releases. We are also working towards holding a monthly webinar updating on modifications that are or will soon be out for consultation.

1.8 Committee Support Update

- In August, the Committee Support Team facilitated 12 Panel, Sub-Committee and Working Group meetings.
- The Strategic Working Group hosted a meeting at the beginning of August, receiving updates from BEIS and SECAS. The SWG approved a paper containing a 12 month review of SWG activities, which was then presented to the Panel at its August meeting.
- The Operations Group elections are open as of Friday 19 August 2022. Nominations are invited for ten Large Suppliers, three Small Suppliers, one Gas Network, and two Other SEC Parties. Nominations close on Friday 9 September. Nominations for all mentioned elections can be made using the online form [here](#).
- The SEC Panel elections opened at the end of July, and the voting window for the two Other SEC Party seats will close on Tuesday 13 August. A new Large Supplier and a new Small Supplier have been appointed. The Security Sub-Committee (SSC) elections have closed.

1.9 Party Engagement Update

- The [Glossary page](#) on our website has seen an increase of over 37% during August 2022. We believe this has happened in part due to linking the glossary to the Panel papers to improve ease of access to acronym expansions and definitions.
- We will be hosting our Intro to the SEC webinar from **11am to 12:30pm on 4 October 2022**. SEC Parties can register [here](#). This webinar offers you the opportunity to build your knowledge of the SEC and get to grips with the basics from SECAS, [SMDA](#) and [Alt HAN Co](#). If there are any topics you would like to see covered, please contact the [SECAS Helpdesk](#).
- The latest SEC Newsletter received 119 views. You can register to receive the monthly SEC Newsletter by using the registration form at the bottom-right of this [webpage](#). Previous newsletters can be viewed [here](#).
- The [SECAS Helpdesk](#) offers an email and telephone service to anyone requiring advice. Most contact is made by email, with volumes illustrated in Figure 5. We received 11 telephone queries over the past month.

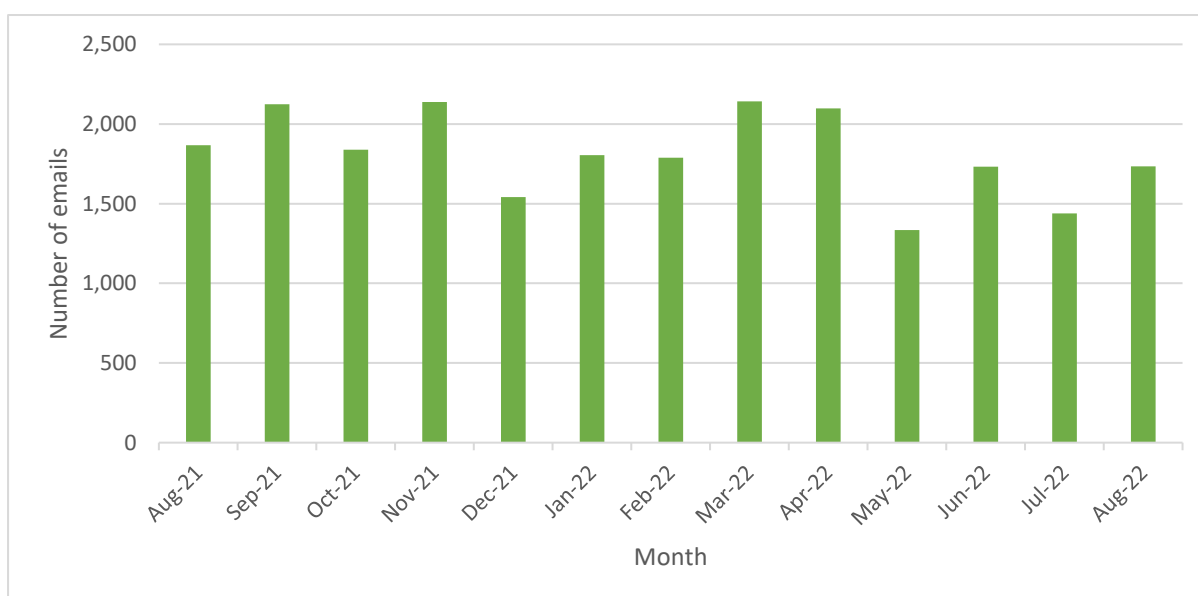


Figure 3: SECAS Helpdesk Emails over the past 12 months

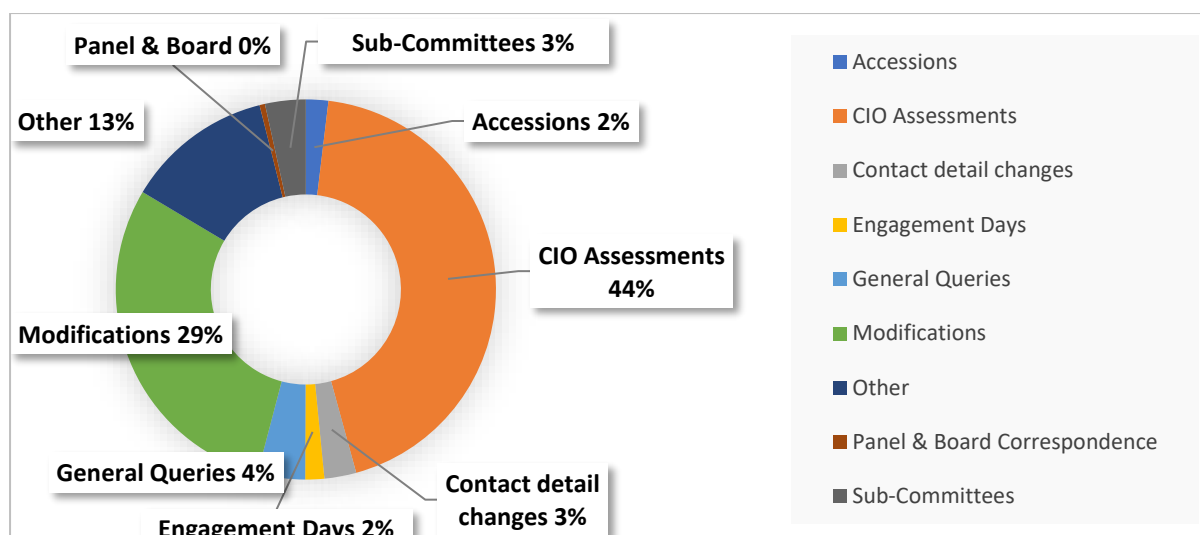


Figure 4: The number of SECAS Helpdesk emails received per topic in the previous month

- The SECAS website remains popular with users with over 36,300 page visits in August 2022. The top five viewed pages in the month were:
 - [Home Page](#)
 - [Modifications](#) - (Modifications Tracker)
 - [The Smart Energy Code](#) - (Codeworks, Consolidated SEC & SEC Document Log)
 - [Account Login](#)
 - [My Account](#)

1.10 Technical Operations Update

The Technical Operations team in SECAS supports the Technical Architecture and Business Architecture Sub-Committee (TABASC), Testing Advisory Group (TAG) and SEC Operations Group (OPSG). Key highlights from August 2022 are set out below:

- SECAS has been developing options for the forthcoming renewal of the Business Architecture Model (BAM) hosting application. The main requirements beyond what the current solution provides are to have an easier, single log-in, to bring the software up to date to facilitate user experience through linked documents, inbuilt analytics and improved visibility of the Model on the SEC website. SECAS will work with the TABASC to agree an appropriate solution.
- SECAS has also been considering how the document reviews carried out by the Sub-Committees can be better supported and is working with the TAG and the DCC to trial document maps for complex or lengthy documents, along with trialling collaborative online document reviews using the MS Teams platform.
- The team oversees the production and publication of several Products lists. The graph below sets out the number of SEC product list versions which SECAS has published over the past 12 months by type. This month the Central Products List (CPL) was the most produced list:

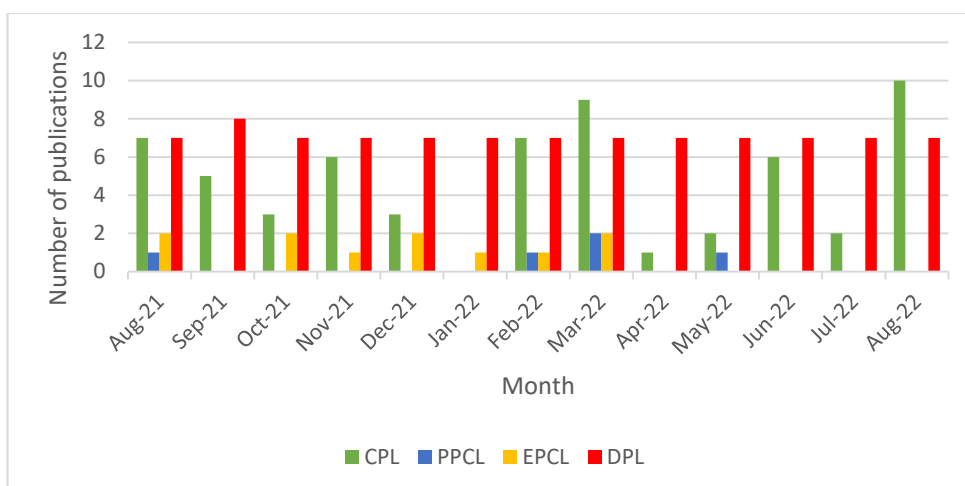


Figure 5: The number of lists that SECAS has produced each month, over the past 12 months

Useful links: [Central Products List](#), [Pending Products Combination List](#), [Eligible Products Combination List](#) and [Deployed Products List](#)

1.11 Smart Meter Device Assurance (SMDA) Update

- The [Device Assurance Register](#) (DAR) currently consists of 38 Devices, covering GSME, ESME and PPMID Devices with either partial or full assurance for credit and/or pre-payment.
- During August and September 2022, seven Devices have been awarded Full Assurance, one of the most successful periods for Devices being assured by SMDA. This included:
 - One manufacturer awarded Full Assurance on a GSME Device against the November 2019 SEC Release Baseline on 8 July 2022;
 - One manufacturer awarded Full Assurance on two ESME Devices against the November 2019 SEC Release Baseline on 8 July and 2 August 2022;
 - One manufacturer awarded Full Assurance on five ESME Devices against the November 2019 SEC Release Baseline on 12, 25 and 26 August 2022; and
 - One manufacturer awarded Partial Assurance on an ESME Device against the November 2019 SEC Release Baseline on 1 September 2022.

1.12 SEC Meeting Details

The table below contains links to documents associated with [SEC meetings](#) held in **August 2022**:

Date	Meeting
01 August	Strategic Working Group 10
03 August	SEC Monthly Working Group Meeting - August 2022
04 August	Technical Architecture and Business Architecture Sub-Committee Meeting 80
09 August	Operations Group Meeting 77
10 August	Smart Metering Key Infrastructure Policy Management Authority Meeting
10 August	Security Sub-Committee Meeting 152
12 August	SEC Panel Meeting 107
16 August	Change Sub-Committee Meeting 42
22 August	Operations Group Meeting 78
24 August	Security Sub-Committee Meeting 153
24 August	Change Board Meeting 69
31 August	Testing Advisory Group Meeting 93

Table 2: A summary of all SEC meetings held in the previous month