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SMKI PMA Meeting 104

09:45 – 11:15, 12 April 2023

Teleconference

SECPMA_104_1204 – Final Minutes

Attendees:

Category	SMKI PMA Members
SMKI PMA Chair	Gordon Hextall (GH)
DCC	Silvano Sogus (SS)
	Ian Speller (IS)
	Alexander Mann (AM)
	Richard Harvey (RH)
	Chalam Neelam (CN) (agenda item 5)
	Allan Aitchison (AA) (agenda item 5)
	Kwok Chan (KC) (agenda item 3)
	Wajid Aziz (WA) (agenda item 3)
BEIS	Alex Baxendale (AB) (agenda item 3)
	Daryl Flack (DF)
SECAS	Chris Jackson (Meeting Secretary) (CJ)
	James Hosen (JHo)
	Ryder Agolli (RA)
	Fiona Bond (FB)
	Charlotte Riddick (CR)

	Kev Duddy (KD) (agenda item 10)
	Bradley Baker (BB) (agenda item 11)

Voting Members:

Category	Attendees
Small Supplier	James Burney (JB)
SMKI Specialist	Robert Cragie (RC)
Electricity Networks	Paul Fitzgerald (PF)

Apologies:

Category	SMKI PMA Members
Large Supplier	Mitchell Gating (MG)
SSC Representative	Simon Crouch (SC)
TABASC Representative	Julian Hughes (JH)
Gas Networks	Earl Richards (ER)

Welcomes and Introductions

The SMKI PMA Chair (GH) informed the SMKI PMA that this would be Chris Jackson's final meeting as secretariat for the Sub-Committee. The SMKI PMA Chair (GH) thanked SECAS (CJ) for his work with the Sub-Committee, and welcomed Charlotte Riddick as the incoming secretariat for the SMKI PMA.

1. Actions Outstanding

The Draft Minutes and Confidential Draft Minutes from the March 2023 SMKI PMA meeting were presented for approval by the SMKI PMA. The SMKI PMA reviewed the minutes and **APPROVED** them as final.

The SMKI PMA **AGREED** to close the actions marked propose to close.

Action Reference	Action	Owner
SECPMA 103/01	The DCC (RH) to remove the 'gender' field from the SMKI / DCCKI nomination forms.	DCC (RH)
The DCC has confirmed this has been removed from all forms. Status: CLOSED.		
SECPMA 103/02	The DCC (RH) to include a proposal for a SEC change in the Review of the SMKI Document Set to amend the SMKI Nomination form in Appendix D to align with Appendix W, to enable to DCC CISO to authorise an alternate.	DCC (RH)
The SMKI PMA Chair confirmed that a Draft Proposal has been raised to align the requirements in Appendix D with Appendix W to allow the DCC CISO to authorise an alternate. Status: CLOSED.		

2. SoLR Update (**GREEN**)

The SMKI PMA Chair (GH) advised that there were no Supplier of Last Resort (SoLR) events since the previous SMKI PMA meeting.

The DCC (RH) inquired as to the status of Bulb, and the SMKI PMA Chair (GH) confirmed that Octopus Energy has notified that Bulb customers are being transitioned using Change of Supplier (CoS) functionality to Octopus Energy and the transfer is expected to complete by end of June 2023.

The SMKI PMA **NOTED** the update.

3. SMKI Key Recovery Improvements (**AMBER**)

The DCC (KC) presented the SMKI PMA with a progress update on the implementation of improvements to the SMKI Key Recovery process.

Further discussion was classified as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SMKI PMA **NOTED** the update.

4. TSP Decommissioning (**AMBER**)

The DCC (IS) presented the SMKI PMA with an update on the decommissioning process for Trusted Service Provider (TSP) Public Key Infrastructure (PKI).

Further discussion was classified as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SMKI PMA **NOTED** the update.

5. DSP Overview (**AMBER**)

The DCC (AA) provided the SMKI PMA with an overview of the proposed new Data Service Provider (DSP) structure and transition.

Further discussion was classified as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SMKI PMA **NOTED** the update.

6. DCC Consultation on ECoS (**GREEN**)

The SMKI PMA Chair (GH) provided an update on the ongoing DCC consultation on the ECoS programme, noting potential changes to the ECoS Transitional Migration Approach Document (ETMAD).

The SMKI PMA Chair (GH) noted the consultation would affect sections of the SEC under SMKI PMA governance, however SMKI PMA Members agreed no formal response was necessary.

DESNZ (DF) noted that proposed changes to G2.21 referred to Separation and inquired what this involved. DESNZ (DF) proposed to raise this directly with the DESNZ Regulatory Lead of the proposed amendments to get a fuller understanding, and the SMKI PMA Chair (GH) proposed to forward communications with the DESNZ regulatory Lead to DESNZ (DF) for context.

[Post-meeting note: DESNZ (DF) confirmed at SSC 167 that it had held discussions with the author and was satisfied with the scope of the proposed changes.]

The SMKI PMA **NOTED** the update and **AGREED** that no formal response is required from the SMKI PMA.

7. SMKI Document Set Review (**GREEN**)

The DCC (RH) presented the SMKI PMA with an update on the progress of its regular review of the SMKI Document Set.

The SMKI PMA Chair (GH) informed the SMKI PMA it had raised a Draft Proposal (DP) of potential changes to the Document Set.

The DCC (RH) informed the SMKI PMA that annual leave had delayed progress on this, however its review will be completed for approval at SECPMA 105.

The SMKI PMA **DEFERRED** further conversation until SECPMA 105.

8. Certificate Management Update (**AMBER**)

The DCC (SS) provided the SMKI PMA with an update on the DCC process for managing DCC-owned Certificates.

Further discussion was classified as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SMKI PMA **NOTED** the update.

9. SMKI PMA Risk Register Update (**RED**)

SECAS (JHo) provided the SMKI PMA with the SMKI PMA Risk Register for review.

Further discussion was classified as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SMKI PMA:

- **REVIEWED** the Risks Register; and
- **NOTED** that no risks require escalation to SEC Panel.

10. MP168 Proposed Solution (**RED**)

SECAS (KD) presented the SMKI PMA with an overview of the problem and proposed solution for MP168 '[CPL Security Improvements](#)'.

Further discussion was classified as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SMKI PMA:

- **AGREED** the DCC's response and solution deliver the business requirements.
- **AGREED** the DCC's solution would not compromise the SMKI arrangements.
- **ENDORSED** progression of MP168 into the refinement stage.

11. New Draft Proposals and Modification Proposals (**GREEN**)

SECAS (BB) provided the SMKI PMA with an update on new Draft Proposals (DPs) and Modification Proposals (MPs). These included:

- DP232 '[ACB Certs on I&C](#)'.
- DP237 '[Management of Emergency Firmware Updates](#)'.
- DP238 '[TSAT Expired Communications Hubs](#)'.
- DP239 '[Enduring Solution for Resolving SMETS2 Device Certificate Misalignment Issue](#)'.
- DP240 '[Service Request Management](#)'.

DESNZ (DF) inquired what situations had been provided as examples for DP237, as suppliers would be unlikely to desire the DCC to make changes without consulting them.

The SMKI PMA Chair (GH) highlighted that DP237 was an issue from a security perspective, but not specifically from a SMKI PMA perspective.

DESNZ (DF) noted there was a question for DP237 as to whether operational or security updates took priority, and highlighted security updates should take priority.

The SMKI PMA expressed interest in following progress of DP239, and SECAS (BB) agreed to provide updates on progress to the Sub-Committee.

SECAS (BB) also highlighted updates to MPs the SMKI PMA had indicated an interest in. These included:

- MP094 '[Supporting prepayment customers in No SM WAN scenarios](#)'.
- MP168 '[CPL Security Improvements](#)'.
- MP169 '[Managing SEC Obligations and the Consumer's Right to refuse a Smart Meter](#)'.
- MP198 '[Further Changes from the Review of the SMKI and DCCKI Document Set](#)'.
- MP207 '[Allowing Registered Supplier Agents to Maintain Meter Firmware](#)'.
- MP222 '[CPL submission efficiency improvements](#)'.

The SMKI PMA **NOTED** the update.

12. Standing Agenda Items

The SMKI PMA was provided with a number of updates on monthly activities of the DCC, SECAS and DESNZ:

12.1 SMKI Operational Update (**RED**)

Discussion was classified as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

12.2 DCC Update (**AMBER**)

Discussion was classified as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

12.3 DCCKI PMA Functions Update

The DCC (RH) informed the SMKI PMA there had been another DCCKI PMA meeting in the past two days, however the minutes had yet to be formalised.

12.4 DESNZ Update

The SMKI PMA noted there was no DESNZ update this month.

13. Any Other Business (AOB)

SECAS (FB) informed the SMKI PMA there had been an appeal from the SECAS Change Management Team for members of the SSC and SMKI PMA to sit on the Change Board. The SMKI

PMA Chair (GH) agreed it would be useful to have a presence with greater security and/or cryptography knowledge, as the Change Board membership was primarily operational currently.

No other items of business were raised, and the Chair closed the meeting.

Next Meeting: 10 May 2023