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Headlines of the Security Sub-Committee (SSC) 223_1009

The SSC reviews the outcome for Users' and DCC Security Assessments and sets an Assurance status for Initial Full User Security Assessments (FUSAs), or a Compliance status for Verification User Security Assessments (VUSAs) and subsequent FUSAs. The SSC also reviews outstanding actions, monitors the risks to the Commercial Product Assurance (CPA) Certification of Devices, considers available updates from the DCC on the security implications of proposed changes and Anomaly Detection and any reported changes in Shared Resource Providers by Users and reported Security Incidents and Vulnerabilities.

The SSC reviewed the following User Security Assessments, the outcome of which are classified as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Meeting Minutes:

- Set the Status for one Initial Full User Security Assessment (IFUSA)
- Set the Compliance Status for one Full User Security Assessment (FUSA), one Verification User Security Assessment (VUSA) and one Security Self-Assessment.
- Approved one Verification User Security Assessment Remediation Plan & Director's Letter.

The SSC discussed the following items:

Matters Arising – User Security Assessment Related

- The SSC was informed of information on Large Supplier 'K' which members noted.
- The SSC noted a request from Small Supplier 'AM' regarding future security assessments, and the SSC provided feedback.
- The SSC was provided with an update on Large's Supplier A's Material Change, and the SSC noted the proposed changes and agreed that the Supplier had duly notified SSC to meet the requirement OF G3.9(a).
- The SSC was provided with an overview of the positive feedback provided to the User CIO.

Matters Arising – Non-User Security Assessment Related

- The SSC was provided with an update on the User CIO Procurement Outcome Announcement.
- The SSC was provided with information on the Security Architecture Document; it was noted that the document would be re-presented at SSC 224 for member approval.

- Members were notified that SEC Panel approved the three SSC projects to procure external resources.
- SSC members were thanked for their comments on the *DCC's 4G Comms Hub Triage Specification* document. It was confirmed that the document would be presented at SSC 224.
- The SSC was provided with an update on a Manufacturer's Request related to HAN Re-join. The SSC Chair confirmed that following SSC 222, the Manufacturer and the TSIRS Chair had been notified of the outcome.
- The SSC was notified of the Post Quantum Computing Preparation, it was noted that discussions are continuing with DESNZ, DCC and the TABASC Chair to resolve the detail of the next steps.

Agenda Items

- 2a. DCC CIO Assessments:** This item was deferred due to the assessment not being ready to be presented. **(RED)**
- 2b. DCC CIO Assessments, Forward Look and Remediations:** The DCC provided an overview of the Forward Look, it was noted that there are no assessments in October.
- 4a. CPA Risk Review:** The SSC Chair presented an update on the CPA Risk Reviews, noting the updated Risk Review Outcome Letter. Members provided feedback on the review. **(AMBER)**
- 4b. Trial Device Application:** The SSC approved a Trial Device Application subject to clarifications being raised by SSC Members being provided by the Manufacturer. **(AMBER)**
- 4c. CPA Progress Update:** The SSC Chair provided members with a CPA Scheme Progress Update, noting the CPA Scheme Operator's work-in-progress update. **(AMBER)**
- 4d. Assurance Maintenance Process Diagram:** The SSC were presented with the Assurance Maintenance Process Diagram. Members provided comments and it was confirmed that this feedback would be considered prior to issuing to the 15 September SCIRS meeting.
- 4e. SCIRS Agenda:** Members approved the SCIRS agenda for the meeting scheduled 15 September 2025. **(GREEN)**
- 5. VWAN Architecture Risk Assessment:** The DCC presented the VWAN Architecture Risk Assessment, and SSC members provided feedback on the assessment noting the opportunities to mitigate specific risks. The DCC noted the feedback and confirmed they would address the comments. **(RED)**
- 6. Future Service Management Production vs UITA:** The DCC presented the DCC proposal for the FSM Go Live security testing and confirmed that the item would be presented at SSC 224 for approval. **(RED)**
- 7. FSM LSC Evidence Approach:** The DCC provided an update on the Future Service Management (FSM) Data Science and Analytics (DS&A) Integration Design Risk

Assessment. The SSC approved the FSM DS&A Build to enter Preliminary Integration Testing (PIT).

The DCC presented the proposals for the wider FSM Live Service Criteria applying to security assurance for FSM Go Live in March 2026. The SSC noted the proposed security LSC and, for the assurance by the Competent Independent Organisation (CIO), informed the DCC that the scope of the assessment would require formal approval at the SSC to fulfil the DCC licence conditions. The DCC confirmed the scope of CIO assurance would be presented to the SSC for approval. **(GREEN)**

8. **PKT Update Process for DSP2:** The DCC provided information on the Private Key Transfer (PKT) updates for DSP 2.0, providing a recap of the most recent PKT process for ECoS and additional controls proposed. **(RED)**
9. **SSES Consultation:** The SSC noted information on the consultation for Smart Secure Electricity Systems (SSES) Program which DESNZ published asking for comments on the proposals for Enduring Security Governance on 4 August 2025, it was noted that the Consultation closes on 29 September 2025. **(RED)**
10. **Utilisation of Artificial Intelligence in Testing Project Risk Assessment Security Testing Recommendation:** SECAS presented a project overview of AI in testing, noting that in January 2025, TAG and the SEC Panel approved the undertaking of a project to investigate the potential implementation of AI technologies in DCC and DCC User testing of the smart metering system. Members provided feedback on the project which SECAS noted. **(AMBER)**

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Next Meeting: Wednesday 24 September 2025