

# SEC Change Team Modification Update

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# ■ New modifications (1/3)

MP293

## ‘Deferment of DCC Planned Maintenance during Adverse Weather’

- During DCC Planned Maintenance events, it is not possible to communicate with Smart Metering Systems (SMSs).
- DNOs rely on communication with SMSs during and after Adverse Weather events in order to determine if elements of their network are functional.
- Where a Planned Maintenance Event and Adverse Weather event overlap, this functionality is lost.
- This issue seeks to explore possible deferral of Planned Maintenance during Adverse Weather events to allow DNOs to maintain communication with SMSs on their network.

# ■ New modifications (2/3)

MP294

## ‘Review of DCC Maintenance Activities and Temporary Additional Allowance’

- The DCC is required to maintain DCC Systems to avoid service disruption as much as possible. This includes completing Planned Maintenance and Unplanned Maintenance activities to ensure vital components are running, are up to date, are reliable and secure.
- The SEC does not currently contain detail of what might be considered an allowable reason for instigating Unplanned Maintenance and therefore it could be perceived to be used to enable short notice User impacting work.
- In addition to this, services delivered by DCC have grown (number of Service Providers / amount of change) and the increased complexity as well as less time available to complete post deployment may be exacerbated by new Data Service Provider (DSP).
- Furthermore, consideration is needed on activity that sits outside of Planned and Unplanned maintenance as there is currently no view of maintenance that sits outside of Planned and Unplanned Maintenance activities.

# ■ New modifications (3/3)

MP295

## ‘Amendment to SMETS1 Cache Solution’

- The SMETS 1 Data cache solution is intended to allow the Data Communications Company (DCC) to support the increased Service Request (SR) volume to SMETS1 Devices resulting from Market Wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS).
- The DCC has carried out analysis of scheduled Service Reference Variant (SRV) data to understand the data windows being requested on the current production system for scheduled SRVs.
- This analysis showed that a large proportion of the current scheduled SRVs’ read windows requested data from the current day and as such could not be serviced from the cache.

# ■ TAG Relevant Mods (1/2)

MP169

‘Managing SEC Obligations and the Consumer's Right to refuse a Smart Meter’

**Update** – The DCC Impact Assessment was returned earlier this week (w/c 23 June). SECAS will discuss the outcome of this with the Working Group at the July 2025 Working Group.

MP184

‘Increase Smart Capability of SMETS2 Twin Element ESME to support Solar and Storage use cases’

**Update** – Following discussions with Manufacturers and other Codes, SECAS is currently in the process of producing a summary document for the DCC. The intention will be to see if there is enough information for a new PIA to be conducted and if this is the case the next step will be an RC.

# ■ TAG Relevant Mods (2/2)

MP268

‘Certificate rotation and expired Certificates’

**Update** – This modification was presented at the Change Board on 25 June 2025. [verbal update]

MP281

‘Install Codes in the SMI’

**Update** – A new proposal has been put forward by Paragon for a free web-based platform which will enable install codes to be bulk uploaded. Codes can be searched using Globally Unique Identifier (GUIDS) or Meter Serial Numbers (MSNs).  
There is third party security in place to keep data secure. This proposal will be presented to Tech Spec and SSC to understand any concerns.

# ■ TAG Relevant Mods – No update

DP257

‘DCC Management of Duplicate Messages’

**Update** – SECAS is developing Business Requirements for the solution with the DCC and the Proposer ahead of presenting to the Change Sub-Committee to enter the Refinement Phase.

# ■ TAG Relevant Mods – on hold (1/2)

## MP137 ‘Sharing information on Defects and Issues’

This modification is currently on hold for the foreseeable future.

## MP244 ‘Device Alerts for Smart Meter Credit Replenishment’

This modification will be placed on hold until an Impact Assessment can be requested on the new DSP.

# ■ TAG Relevant Mods – on hold (2/2)

MP247

‘Future Dating of Service Requests for SMETS1 Devices’

This modification will be placed on hold until an Impact Assessment can be requested on the new DSP.

DP266

‘Alternative SMETS1 UTRN Generation’

Following adoption of the modification, SECAS is working with the new Proposer to scope the Issue, impacts and potential Solution.

# ■ Pending Implementation



June 2025

- MP239 'Enduring Solution for Resolving SMETS2 Device Certificate Misalignment Issue'

Phase 1 – Interim solution delivered in March 2025 DCC Maintenance Release

Phase 2 – Enduring solution in June 2025 SEC Release

# ■ Pending Implementation



November 2025

- MP252 'Amending the process for Communications Hub returns'