

‘Alternative Self Service Datasolution for Service Users’

October 2025 Issues Group – Meeting Summary

Attendees

SEC Party Category	Working Group Members	Representing
Large Suppliers	Julie Brown (JB)	British Gas
	Emma Johnson (EJ)	British Gas
	Sharon Armitage (SA)	E.ON
	Ralph Baxter (RB)	Octopus Energy
	Mahfuzar Rahman (MR)	Scottish Power
	Kevin Clark (KC)	Utilita
Small Suppliers	Daniel Davies (DD)	ESG Global
Other SEC Parties	Patricia Massey (PM)	BEAMA
	Beth Tatton (BT)	Calisen Metering
	Martin Bell (MB)	EUA
Network Parties	Jamie Lowe (JL)	Northern Powergrid
	Kirsty Maddock (KM)	National Grid Electricity Distribution
Ofgem	Ian Chalfon (IC)	Ofgem

Other Participants		
DCC		
Bradley Baker (BB)	Robbie McMillan (RMc)	Tim Troy (TT)
SECAS		
Simon Grimwood (SG) <i>WG Chair</i>	Abi Obadan (AO) <i>Meeting Secretary</i>	Georgiana Severin (GSe) <i>Lead Analyst</i>
Ali Beard (AB)	Marc Rhodes (MRh)	
DESNZ		
Rachel Allen (RAI)		
SECCO		
Ashton Briggs (ABr)		

Overview

The Smart Energy Code Administrator and Secretariat (SECAS) provided an overview of the current arrangements and issues identified.

Current Arrangements

- Some Service Users are using Data Communications Company (DCC) Data to underpin operational processes
- Majority of available reports are updated weekly or monthly
- Files are shared in Comma-Separated Values (CSV) file format

Issue

- Current DCC Reporting capability doesn't support a real-time, cloud-based approach
- Requires manual processing from a Service User to ingest Datasets
- Not always aligned with Service User processes

Issues Group Discussion

Updated Reporting Mechanisms

The Working Group Chair (SG) provided background on the issue and outlined requirements identified by the Proposer that could be included in the potential solution. The Proposer (AF) noted the use of DCC has changed significantly since its inception, hence the need for change to update current arrangements and process. A Large Supplier (MR) queried whether the intention is to move towards a cloud-based database, which was confirmed by the Proposer (AF) who noted they wish to be able to query the DCC reporting database in real-time.

Next Steps

The following actions were recorded from the meeting:

- SECAS to raise the modification at the October 2025 Change Sub-Committee (CSC) meeting.