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TABASC Response to DCC Firmware Management Consultation

1. Purpose

The DCC has issued a consultation "DCC Firmware Management Consultation"[1], which opened on 5 November 2018 and closes on 17 December 2018.

The TABASC briefly discussed the consultation at the meeting on 15 November and agreed that it was appropriate for the TABASC to respond.

The appendix to this paper sets out the proposed response. This paper seeks approval from the TABASC to submit that response.

2. DCC's Proposed Process Improvements

The DCC sets out several proposals within the consultation that aim to make changes in the following areas:

- Agreement & communication of firmware content;
- Improved firmware development & testing;
- User involvement in targeted initial deployments; and
- Separate decision prior to manufacturing.

3. Recommendation

The TABASC is requested to **AGREE** the proposed response to the consultation, set out in the appendix to this paper.

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[1] https://www.smartdcc.co.uk/media/2915/dcc-firmware-management-consultation.pdf