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## Change Status Report – March 2019

### 1. Purpose

This document is the Change Status Report, which provides information on the progress of Smart Energy Code (SEC) Modifications and Releases.

The DCC's progress report on Preliminary Assessments and Impact Assessments is included as Appendix A to this report.

### 2. Recommendations

The Panel **NOTED** the contents of this report.

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**SECAS Team**

**18 March 2019**

#### Attachments:

- Appendix A: DCC Preliminary Assessments and Impact Assessments Update



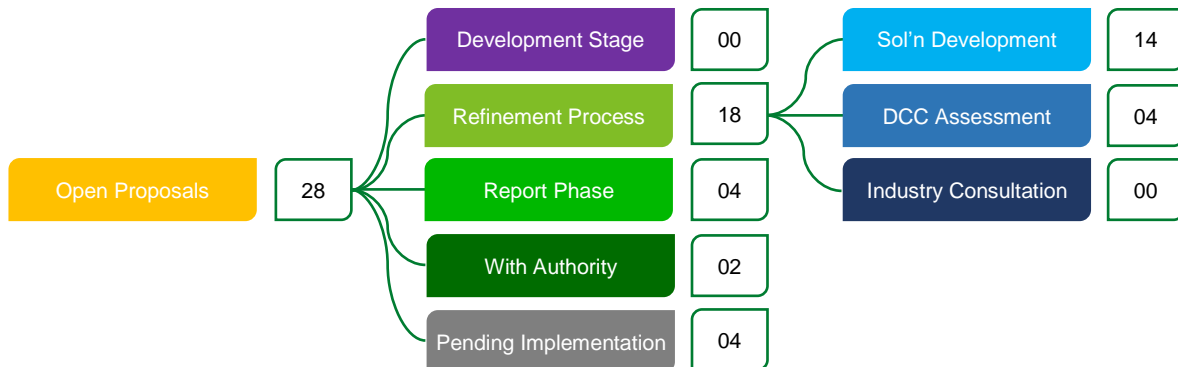
# Change Status Report

## March 2019

## 1. Summary

This report provides a monthly update on the status and progress of SEC Modification Proposals and Releases, highlighting key information and decisions made.

More detailed information can be found in the [Modification Register](#).



### New Modification Proposals

There were no new Modification Proposals presented to the Panel this month.

### Modification Reports

The Panel **approved** two Modification Reports this month:

- [SECMP0058 'Changes to the governance of the Self-Service Interface'](#)
- [SECMP0060 'Amend requirement to remove 'Pending' devices from SMI'](#)

### Decisions

The Change Board **approved** one Modification Proposal under Self-Governance on 20 February 2019:

- [SECMP0039 'Communication Hub returns notification mechanism for Other SEC Parties'](#)

The Authority **approved** one Modification Proposal on 18 February 2019:

- [SECMP0049 'Section D Review: Amendments to the Modification Process'](#)

## 2. News and Updates

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### Process improvements

We continue with our work to improve the SEC change processes. We have been undertaking a series of engagement sessions with Parties to obtain views and feedback on what is working well and where we could improve. An update on our findings and the changes we are making in response to this feedback was presented to the Panel this month, and we have already begun rolling out changes.

We always welcome further feedback or thoughts on areas where we can improve. We are also interested to know what is working well, so that we can continue to deliver those aspects. If you have any thoughts or questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at [sec.change@gemserv.com](mailto:sec.change@gemserv.com) or get in touch with one of the team.

### Establishment of the Change Sub-Committee

[SECMP0049 'Section D Review: Amendments to the Modification Process'](#) was implemented on 4 March 2019 and has introduced a new Development Stage into the SEC Modification Process. This stage is intended to help assess the issue identified by a proposal and ensure there is a clear problem statement before proceeding to developing solutions. A major part of this change will be the introduction of the Change Sub-Committee, which will play a key role during this new stage of the process.

Whilst the Change Sub-Committee membership is being confirmed, the Panel will act as the interim Change Sub-Committee. Nominations for the Change Sub-Committee closed on 15 March 2019.

We have also been issuing a four-part series of articles via our [Newsletter](#) on the new Development Stage, with the first part now available [here](#), the second part available [here](#) and the third part available [here](#). The final part will be published in the Newsletter to be issued on 21 March 2019.

### Introduction of monthly Working Group meetings

As part of our process improvements, we are phasing in a monthly Working Group meeting. These meetings, which will be held on the first Wednesday in each month, will contain a number of modifications that will be considered over a full day, where attendees can drop in and out for the modifications that are of interest to them. We will also be asking the Working Group to focus on reviewing and assessing business requirements for solutions, which will come after they have been developed prior to the meeting by SECAS and the Proposer with input from the DCC and relevant Sub-Committees.

The first of these monthly Working Group meetings will be on 3 April 2019, and further details can be found in Section 3 of this report.

### Designations update

We have designated three new versions of the SEC since the February Panel meeting:

- [SEC Version 6.7](#) became effective on 28 February 2019 to implement the February 2019 SEC Release. Further information on the February 2019 SEC Release can be found in Section 4 of this report.

- [SEC Version 6.8](#) became effective on 4 March 2019 to implement [SECMP0049 'Section D Review: Amendments to the Modification Process'](#).
- [SEC Version 6.9](#) became effective on 13 March 2019 to implement BEIS changes to Certified Products List (CPL) Requirements Document, User Testing Services Approach Document for SMETS1 Services (USTADS), Enduring Test Approach Document (ETAD), and Common Test Scenarios Document (CTSD) into the SEC.

### 3. Modifications Headlines

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#### Change Board votes

The Change Board **approved** [SECMP0039 'Communication Hub returns notification mechanism for Other SEC Parties'](#) under Self-Governance on 20 February 2019. The 10 Working Day Referral Window, in which any SEC Party who disagreed with the Change Board's decisions could refer these modifications to the Panel, closed on 6 March 2019. No referrals were made and so the Change Board's decision is final.

The Change Board recommended to the Authority that [SECMP0025 'Electricity Network Party Access to Load Switching Information'](#) should be **rejected** on 27 February 2019. This modification was sent back by the Authority on 13 March 2019, seeking further clarity around the implementation costs within the Modification Report. The Panel agreed to add this text to the Modification Report and sent it straight back to the Change Board to vote via correspondence.

#### Authority decisions

The Authority **approved** [SECMP0049 'Section D Review: Amendments to the Modification Process'](#) on 18 February 2019 for implementation on 4 March 2019 (10 Working Days following approval).

There is one modification currently with the Authority for determination:

- [SECMP0043 'Modification to Services Force Majeure Provisions'](#)

#### Forthcoming events

##### Working Group meetings

- [SECMP0046 'Allow DNOs to control Electric Vehicle chargers connected to Smart Meter infrastructure'](#): A Working Group meeting will be held on **20 March 2019**.
- A monthly Working Group meeting will be held on **3 April 2019** which will provisionally include the following:
  - [SECMP0007 'Firmware updates to IHDs and PPMIDs'](#)
  - [SECMP0012 'Channel selection to support Shared HAN solutions'](#)
  - [SECMP0053 'Amend Target Response Times for Service Requests Critical to Installation and Commissioning Processes'](#)
  - [SECMP0066 'Advanced Shipment Notifications \(ASN\) for Consignment of Communications Hubs'](#)

##### Consultations

- [SECMP0062 'Northbound Application Traffic Management - Alert Storm Protection'](#): The Working Group Consultation issued out **11 March 2019** with responses requested by **29 March 2019**.
- [SECMP0058 'Changes to the governance of the Self-Service Interface'](#): The Modification Report Consultation was issued on **18 March 2019** with responses requested by **8 April 2019**.

- [SECMP0060 'Amend Requirements to remove 'Pending' devices from SMI'](#): The Modification Report Consultation was issued on **18 March 2019** with responses requested by **8 April 2019**.

## 4. Releases Headlines

### February 2019 SEC Release

On 28 February 2019 the SEC was updated to [SEC Version 6.7](#) to implement the February 2019 SEC Release. This release included the following five modifications:

- [SECMP0009 'Centralised Firmware Library'](#)
- [SECMP0057 'Users to notify SSC of a second or subsequent User System'](#)
- [SECMP0059 'Amendments to SEC Security Assessments for Non-Domestic Suppliers and Other Users'](#)
- [SECMP0061 'Enduring SEC Release Provisions'](#)
- [SECMP0064 'Alt HAN Co permission to seek access for Alt HAN Activities as a representative of energy suppliers'](#)

### Standalone Releases

On 4 March 2019 the SEC was updated to [SEC Version 6.8](#) to implement [SECMP0049 'Section D Review: Amendments to the Modification Process'](#) as a standalone release.

On 13 March 2019 the SEC was updated to [SEC Version 6.9](#) to implement BEIS changes to the CPL Requirements Document, ETAD, and CTSD into the SEC as a standalone release. Changes to the SEC Sections can be found [here](#).

### November 2019 Release baselined

At the February 2019 meeting, the Panel provisionally baselined the SEC Release Implementation Document for the November 2019 SEC Release, covering the six DCC System impacting modifications currently approved or targeted for inclusion. This document is now published on the [About Releases](#) page of our website. The Panel reviewed comments received on the scope and timing of this release at the March 2019 meeting and confirmed they would proceed with this release.

### Scope of releases

The tables below summarise the current scope of future SEC releases which have targeted and/or approved Modification Proposals. Please note that Modification Proposals will only be added to these tables once the relevant Working Group has agreed a target date for implementation.

2019 SEC Releases			
Release	Date	Modification	Status
Standalone Release	Approval +10WD	0043	Targeted
Standalone Release	UK EU Exit Day	0069	Targeted
Standalone Release	Approval +10WD	0070	Targeted
June Release	27 Jun 19	0018	Approved
		0058	Targeted

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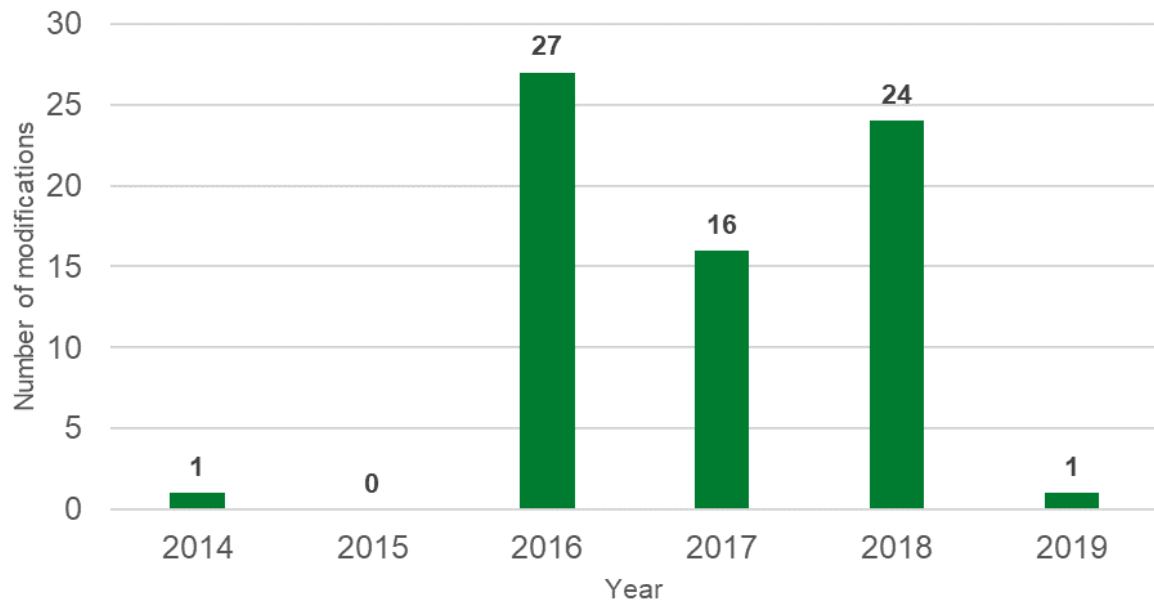


2019 SEC Releases			
Release	Date	Modification	Status
November Release	07 Nov 19	0023	Approved
		0025	Targeted
		0039	Approved
		0053	Targeted
		0055	Targeted
		0060	Targeted
		0062	Targeted

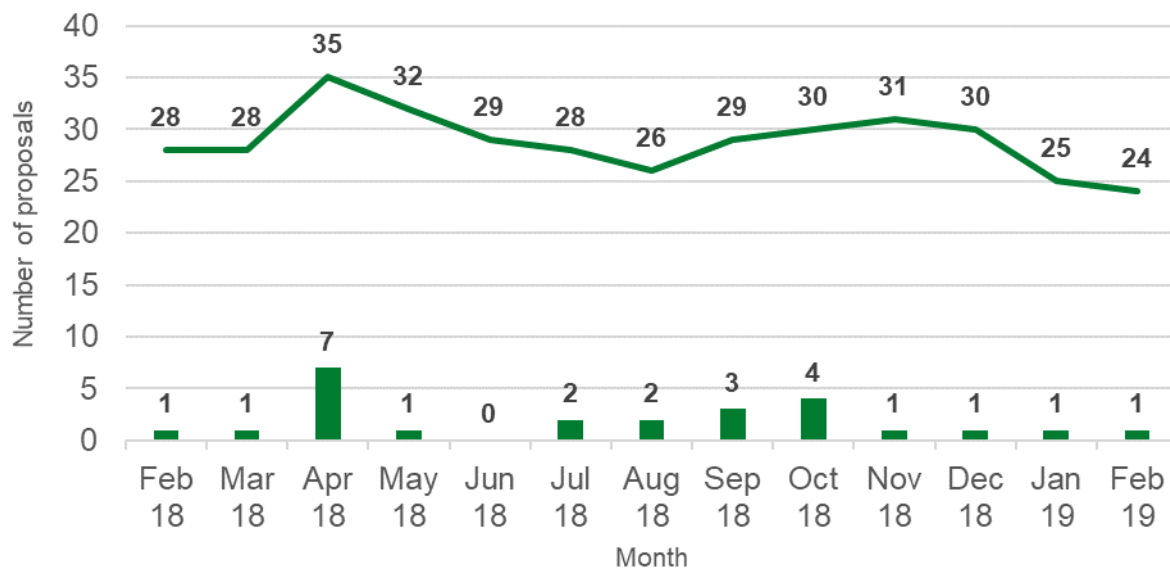
## 5. Statistics

### Modification Proposals

Modification Proposals raised by calendar year (up to Feb 19)



Modification Proposals raised and open (pre-decision) by month



## Timescales

The timescales below are correct as at the end of February 2019.

### DCC Assessment timescales

Preliminary Assessments		
Area	Number	Average duration
All open Preliminary Assessments	4	103 WD
↳ post SECMP0034 (15 WD SLA)	2	34 WD
Preliminary Assessments completed during 2018/19	7	127 WD
↳ post SECMP0034 (15 WD SLA)	1	41 WD

Impact Assessments		
Area	Number	Average duration
All open Impact Assessments	0	-
↳ post SECMP0034 (40 WD SLA)	0	-
Impact Assessments completed during 2018/19	6	159 WD
↳ post SECMP0034 (40 WD SLA)	1	9 WD

### Modification progression timescales

Modification timescales		
Area	Number	Average duration
Modifications open (pre-decision)	24	371 WD
Modifications closed during 2018/19	28	268 WD

## Progression timelines

The diagrams on the following pages illustrate the progression timelines for each modification currently in the Refinement Process. The yellow line denotes the current point in time.

The 'Timeline' bar denotes the current duration of the Refinement Process for each modification, with the original timetable shown in purple and each subsequent extension shown in alternating shades of blue. The end of this bar denotes the current month when the Modification Report is scheduled to be returned to the Panel. Modifications where the Panel has not agreed a due date for the Modification Report due to uncertainty in their onward progression are shown in grey; the Panel will agree progression timetables for these modifications once greater certainty on their ways forward are known.

The 'PA/IA' bar denotes the months when each modification has been with the DCC for a DCC Assessment and the anticipated duration remaining for any active DCC Assessments.

Mod	Title	2016				2017				2018				2019			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
SECM0007	Firmware updates to mandated HAN devices	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0010	Introduction of triage arrangements for Communication Hubs	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0012	Channel selection to support Shared HAN solutions	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0013	Smart meter device diagnostics and triage	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0015	Add Timestamp to Read Instantaneous Prepay Values response message	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0024	Enduring Approach to Communication Hub Firmware Management	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0028	Prioritising Service Requests	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0032	Prioritising Prepayment Customers in No W/AN Situations	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0037	Pairing Local PPMIDs	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0038	Sending Commands via PPMIDs	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0046	Allow DNOs to control Electric Vehicle chargers connected to Smart Meter infrastructure	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0053	Amend Target Response Times for Service Requests Critical to Installation and Commissioning Processes	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0055	Incorporation of multiple Issue Resolution Proposals into the SEC	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0056	IHD / PPMID Zigbee Attributes Available on the HAN	Timeline	PA/IA														
SECM0058	Changes to the governance of the Self-Service Interface	Timeline	PA/IA														

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Mod	Title	2016								2017								2018				2019			
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
SECMPO060	Amend Requirements to remove 'Pending' devices from SMI	Timeline																							
		PA/IA																							
SECMPO062	Northbound Application Traffic Management - Alert Storm Protection	Timeline																							
		PA/IA																							
SECMPO063	Ensuring correct Network Operator Certificates are placed on Electricity Smart Meters	Timeline																							
		PA/IA																							
SECMPO066	Advanced Shipment Notifications (ASN) for Consignment of Communications Hubs	Timeline																							
		PA/IA																							
SECMPO067	Service Request Traffic Management	Timeline																							
		PA/IA																							



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