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2020 SEC Releases

1. Purpose

The Panel have begun considering the scope of the June 2020 and November 2020 SEC Releases. In order to help inform the Panel's determinations, we seek the views of the Technical Architecture and Business Architecture Sub-Committee (TABASC) on the provisional scope of these releases and on the first draft of the Release Implementation Document (RID) for the June 2020 SEC Release provided in Appendix A.

2. Panel discussions and way forward

The Panel have begun considering the scope of the June 2020 and November 2020 SEC Releases on the DCC Systems. Our provisional view on which modifications could be included in each release, as listed in Section 3, will be discussed with them on 10 May 2019¹. As part of these discussions, we will be seeking the input of the TABASC and the Operations Group as well as wider industry views. The Panel will consider all comments received at their June 2019 meeting, where they will determine how to proceed with these releases.

In parallel with this, we have prepared the first draft of the RID for the June 2020 SEC Release, and this document is provided in Appendix A. We also seek the views of the TABASC and the Operations Group on the content of this document. The Panel will then baseline this document at their June 2019 meeting, confirming the scope of the release on the DCC Systems.

The DCC are intending to produce a Preliminary Assessment that provides the combined costs of a release once the scope is confirmed and the Preliminary Assessments for each targeted modification is completed. This will inform the likely cost savings that would be achieved by grouping the modifications into these releases, which will be noted in the Modification Reports for each modification.²

3. Proposed scope of the 2020 SEC Releases

We have reviewed the status of all open Modification Proposals that impact on DCC Systems. We have considered the expected timescales for each to reach a decision and engaged with the DCC to

¹ Please see Panel paper SECP_68_1005_11 for more details.

² Please see Panel paper SECP_67_1204_14 (green classification) for further details on the DCC's approach for reporting costs for the June 2020 and November 2020 SEC Releases.

understand the subsequent implementation lead time they would require. From this, we have identified the likely SEC Releases that these could be included in.

We believe the following Modification Proposals could be included in the **June 2020 SEC Release**, due to go live on 25 June 2020:

- [SECMP0015 'GPF timestamp for reading instantaneous Gas values'](#)
- [SECMP0053 'Amend Target Response Times for Service Requests Critical to Installation and Commissioning Processes'](#)
- [SECMP0056 'IHD / PPMID Zigbee Attributes Available on the HAN'](#)
- [SECMP0062 'Northbound Application Traffic Management – Alert Storm Protection'](#) part 2³

We believe the following Modification Proposals could be included in the **November 2020 SEC Release**, due to go live on 5 November 2020:

- [SECMP0007 'Firmware updates to IHDs and PPMIDs'](#)
- [SECMP0010 'Introduction of triage arrangements for Communication Hubs'](#)
- [SECMP0013 'Smart meter device diagnostics and triage'](#)
- [SECMP0024 'Enduring Approach to Communication Hub Firmware Management'](#)
- [SECMP0046 'Allow DNOs to control Electric Vehicle chargers connected to Smart Meter infrastructure'](#)
- [SECMP0067 'Service Request Traffic Management'](#)

Inclusion in these releases is dependent on final decisions being received in time. These targeted releases will also be affected by the lead times needed for Parties to implement any changes required, which will be assessed as part of the Refinement Process. There is also potential for some modifications targeted for the November 2020 SEC Release to be brought forward to the June 2020 SEC Release – we will confirm this following completion of their Preliminary Assessments, when a clearer view of lead times is known.

We invite comments from the TABASC on the proposed scope of these releases, which we will feed back to the Panel at their June 2020 meeting.

4. June 2020 SEC Release Implementation Document

The Release Implementation Document is a Panel-owned document that summarises the content, impacts, costs and approach for a particular SEC Release. This document is updated throughout the lifecycle of a release, as modifications are targeted and subsequently approved for inclusion. The Panel will review and baseline the RID for the modifications that impact on the DCC Systems 12 months prior to the release and re-baseline it for other modifications six months prior to the release. Modifications can be added by exception to the scope of the release after these times.

Appendix A contains the first draft of the RID for the June 2020 SEC Release, based on the scope in Section 3. We invite comments from the TABASC on this document, which we will feed back to the Panel at their June 2020 meeting.

³ SECMP0062 is proposed for implementation in two parts, with part 1 being implemented in the November 2019 SEC Release and part 2 in the June 2020 SEC Release.

5. Update on the November 2019 SEC Release

The RID for the November 2019 SEC Release is being presented to the Panel on 10 May to be re-baselined to include non-DCC System impacting modifications. We will circulate a copy of the re-baselined RID ahead of the TABASC meeting for information.

Following the Change Board's determination on [SECMP0055 'Incorporation of multiple Issue Resolution Proposals into the SEC'](#) under Self-Governance and completion of the subsequent 10 Working Day referral period, we intend to designate into the SEC the versions of the GB Companion Specification (GBCS) and the Technical Specifications due to go live on 7 November 2019 as part of this release. These versions, which will include the changes from all relevant modifications approved for this release, will be inactive until this date.

6. Recommendations

The TABASC are requested to:

- **PROVIDE** any comments on the proposed scope of the June 2020 and November 2020 SEC Releases; and
- **PROVIDE** any comments on the draft June 2020 SEC Release Implementation Document.

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Attachments:

- **Appendix A:** Draft June 2020 SEC Release Implementation Document
- **Appendix B:** November 2019 SEC Release Implementation Document (late attachment)