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Change Status Report – July 2019

1. Purpose

This document is the Change Status Report, which provides information on the progress of Smart Energy Code (SEC) Draft Proposals, Modification Proposals 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 are requested to **NOTE** the contents of this report.

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Attachments:

- **Appendix A:** DCC Preliminary Assessments and Impact Assessments update

1. Summary

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

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

Proposals currently in each stage



Draft Proposals for conversion

No Draft Proposals are being presented to the Panel for conversion to Modification Proposals this month.

Modification Reports

One Modification Report will be presented to the Panel this month:

- [SECMP0062 'Northbound Application Traffic Management – Alert Storm Protection'](#)¹

Decisions

The Change Board approved one Modification Proposal under Self-Governance on 19 June 2019:

- [SECMP0055 'Incorporation of multiple Issue Resolution Proposals into the SEC'](#)

¹ SECMP0062 will be presented to the Panel on 19 July 2019.

2. Define

New Draft Proposals

DP077

[DP077 'DCC Service Flagging'](#) was raised by EDF Energy on 7 June 2019.

The industry needs a simple and reliable mechanism for identifying where smart devices are, or are not, present at a location. This information is necessary for Suppliers to establish whether there is a Smart Metering System they can communicate with at that location, and for distributors to correctly handle alerts. Issues have been identified in the current process where the DCC Service Flagging is incorrect and hinders the switching process for some consumers with Smart Meters.

Change Sub-Committee decisions

There were no Change Sub-Committee decisions this month.

3. Refine

Working Group meetings

The last monthly Working Group meeting was held on **3 July 2019**, and included the following modifications:

- [SECMP0010 'Introduction of triage arrangements for Communication Hubs'](#)
- [SECMP0013 'Smart meter device diagnostics and triage'](#)
- [SECMP0067 'Service Request Traffic Management'](#)
- [MP075 'Third party metering service providers'](#)
- [MP076 'Pursuing Non-Payment in Events of Default'](#)

The next monthly Working Group meeting will be held on **7 August 2019**, and the agenda for this session will be confirmed on 24 July 2019.

Refinement Consultations

There is one Modification Proposal currently out for Refinement Consultation:

- [SECMP0053 'Amend Target Response Times for Service Requests Critical to Installation and Commissioning Processes'](#) – responses due by **8 July 2019**

Impact Assessment requests

The Change Board voted on one Impact Assessment request on 19 June 2019:

- [SECMP0007 'Firmware updates to IHDs and PPMIDs'](#) – the request was approved.

DCC Assessment timescales

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

Summary		
Assessment	Total	Average duration
Preliminary Assessments open	2	18 WD
Preliminary Assessments completed during 2019/20	4	94 WD
Impact Assessments open	1	73 WD
Impact Assessments completed during 2019/20	0	- WD

Open Assessments				
Modification	Type	Accepted	Target duration	Current duration
SECMP0024	PA	29 May 19	15 WD	22 WD
SECMP0062	IA	20 Mar 19	40 WD	68 WD

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Open Assessments				
Modification	Type	Accepted	Target duration	Current duration
SECMP0066	PA	13 Jun 19	15 WD	11 WD

Assessments completed during 2019/20				
Modification	Type	Returned	Target duration	Actual duration
SECMP0007	PA	11 Apr 19	15 WD	201 WD
SECMP0053	PA	2 May 19	15 WD	87 WD
SECMP0056	PA	24 Apr 19	15 WD	65 WD
SECMP0067	PA	5 Jun 19	25 WD	21 WD

4. Opine

Modification Report Consultations

There are three Modification Proposals currently out for Modification Report Consultation:

- [MP071 'Second-Comer Charging'](#) – responses due by **9 July 2019**
- [MP073 'Alteration of SMKI Repository information and documentation'](#) – responses due by **9 July 2019**
- [MP074 'Clarity on Obtaining SMKI Device Certificates'](#) – responses due by **9 July 2019**

One Modification Proposal is targeted for Modification Report Consultation:

- [SECMP0062 'Northbound Application Traffic Management – Alert Storm Protection'](#) – **week commencing 22 July 2019**

Change Board votes

The Change Board voted on one modification on 19 June 2019:

- [SECMP0055 'Incorporation of multiple Issue Resolution Proposals into the SEC'](#) was **approved** under Self-Governance for implementation on 7 November 2019 (November 2019 SEC Release).

Authority decisions

There were no Authority decisions in the last month.

Proposal progression timescales

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

Proposal timescales		
Status	Total	Average duration
Proposals open (pre-decision)	24	382 WD
Proposals concluded during 2019/20	5	325 WD

5. Release

BEIS Designations

BEIS have designated one new version of the SEC since the June Panel meeting:

- [SEC Version 6.14](#) became effective on 21 June 2019 to implement a re-designation of SEC Appendix AL 'SMETS1 Transition and Migration Approach Document' (TMAD). This is following a DCC published consultation on BEIS's behalf seeking stakeholder views on the proposed re-designation of the TMAD.

SEC Releases

Implemented

[SEC Version 6.15](#) became effective on 27 June 2019 to deliver the June 2019 SEC Release. This implemented [SECMP0058 'Changes to the governance of the Self-Service Interface'](#).

Approved for release

There is currently one modification that is approved for implementation as a standalone release:

- [SECMP0069 'EU Exit Changes'](#) is to be implemented on UK EU Exit Day.

There are currently six modifications that are approved for implementation in the **November 2019 SEC Release** (7 November 2019):

- [SECMP0018 'Standard Electricity Distributor Configuration Settings'](#)
- [SECMP0023 'Correct Units of Measure for Uncontrolled Gas Flow Rate'](#)
- [SECMP0025 'Electricity Network Party Access to Load Switching Information'](#)
- [SECMP0039 'Communication Hub returns notification mechanism for Other SEC Parties'](#)
- [SECMP0055 'Incorporation of multiple Issue Resolution Proposals into the SEC'](#)
- [SECMP0060 'Amend Requirements to remove 'Pending' devices from SMI'](#)