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Security Sub-Committee (SSC) 85_1109

11 September 2019 10:00 – 16:00

Gemserv Office, 8 Fenchurch Place, London, EC3M 4AJ

SSC_85_1109 – Meeting Headlines

Introductions

The SSC Chair introduced a new alternate DCC Representative to the meeting held on Wednesday 11 September 2019.

Matters Arising

Updates were noted on the following Matters Arising:

- The SSC **NOTED** an update regarding the closure of Victory Energy. It was noted that, as Victory Energy had no customers, there were no security risks to be considered.
- The SSC **NOTED** an update regarding Eversmart Energy who have recently exited the market. It was also noted that Ofgem have chosen Utilita to act as the Supplier of Last Resort.
- The SSC **NOTED** an update regarding the use of the Smart Metering Inventory (SMI) to assess SMETS1 and SMETS2 Meter volumes in advance of User Security Assessments. **(RED)**
- The SSC **NOTED** an update regarding the TABASC Effectiveness Review survey which has now been published. **(GREEN)**

Items for Decision/Discussion

1. Previous Meeting Minutes and Actions Outstanding

The SSC noted no comments were received for the Draft Minutes and Confidential Draft Minutes from the SSC meeting held on Wednesday 28 August 2019, and the SSC **APPROVED** the Draft Minutes and Confidential Draft Minutes as written.

All outstanding actions were marked as complete or on target for completion, with several updates provided under separate meeting agenda items.

2. Full User Security Assessment – Small Supplier ‘CI’ (RED)

The SSC considered Small Supplier ‘CI’s Full User Security Assessment. The Agenda Item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **AGREED** the Assurance Status for Small Supplier ‘CI’.

3. Full User Security Assessment – Small Supplier ‘CM’ (RED)

The SSC considered Small Supplier ‘CM’s Full User Security Assessment. The Agenda Item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **AGREED** the Assurance Status for Small Supplier ‘CM’.

4. Verification User Security Assessment – Small Supplier ‘BH’ (RED)

The SSC considered Small Supplier ‘BH’s Verification User Security Assessment. The Agenda Item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **AGREED** the Compliance Status for Small Supplier ‘BH’.

5. Director’s Letter – Small Supplier ‘AC’ (RED)

The SSC considered Small Supplier ‘AC’s Director’s Letter. The Agenda Item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **APPROVED** Small Supplier ‘AC’s Director’s Letter.

6. Remediation Plans (RED)

The SSC **NOTED** updates regarding Users’ requested Remediation Plans. The SSC also **APPROVED** Small Supplier ‘P’s Director’s Letter during this agenda item.

The Agenda Item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

7. Mitigating Security Risks from Internet-Connected Devices (AMBER)

Gemserv Representatives presented the main vulnerabilities from the analysis undertaken as per the SSC request regarding Security Risks from Internet-Connected Devices. Gemserv highlighted that the vulnerabilities had been divided into two categories, and that the report containing risk mitigations would be circulated to SSC members for comment in advance of the next SSC meeting on Wednesday 25 September 2019.

The SSC **NOTED** the update. The Agenda Item was marked as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

8. SMETS1 Update

Remediation Plan

An update was provided on the updated Remediation Plan submitted by the DCC, noting which actions are still outstanding on the Initial Operating Capability (IOC) SMETS1 Service Provider (S1SP). A further update will be given at the next SSC meeting on Wednesday 25 September 2019.

The SSC **NOTED** the update. The Agenda Item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

CIO Report

Multiple updates were provided regarding observations on the CIO Report, and the timescales for presenting the solutions. A further update will be given at the next SSC meeting on Wednesday 25 September 2019.

The SSC **NOTED** the update. The Agenda Item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

Testing Assurance

DCC Representative confirmed details around progress on Testing Assurance and will bring a further update to the next SSC meeting on Wednesday 25 September 2019.

The SSC **NOTED** the update. The Agenda Item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

Live Services Criteria for Entry onto the EPCL

The SSC noted that there may be a change in the timescale for approving the Live Services Criteria for the next entry onto the Eligible Products Combination List (EPCL) and will bring a further update to the next SSC meeting on Wednesday 25 September 2019.

The SSC **NOTED** the update. The Agenda Item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

9. CPA Monitoring (AMBER)

Communications Hub CPA Conditions

The SSC **NOTED** the update in relation to a Communications Hub with Commercial Product Assurance (CPA) Conditional Certification and an update on a Communications Hub firmware upgrade status.

The Agenda Item was marked as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

Withdrawn Certificates

The SSC **NOTED** the update in relation to Withdrawn CPA Certificates and that Remediation Plans have been requested. SECAS will issue a clarification to Suppliers on the format of the Remediation Plans required to ensure they provide meaningful information for SSC review.

The Agenda Item was marked as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

Early Expiry of Smart Meter Certificates

The SSC **NOTED** an update in relation to a notification from NCSC of a notice provided to a Device manufacturer that the existing CPA Certificate will expire early on Friday 28 February 2020 and SECAS has notified Suppliers to provide six months' notice.

The Agenda Item was marked as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

10. Use Case Proposals for Device Triage

The SSC considered three new Use Case Proposals for Device Triage raised since the last meeting and **AGREED** to provide an update at the CPA Industry Day on Monday 23 September 2019.

11. Post Commissioning Report (AMBER)

The SSC was provided with an update in relation to the monthly Post Commissioning Report which provides information on the number of relevant SMETS2 Devices where the Responsible Supplier or DCC has failed to complete its Post-Commissioning obligations in accordance with Section 5 of Appendix AC of the SEC.

The SSC **NOTED** the update. The Agenda Item has been marked as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

12. SOC2 Scope (including SMETS1) (RED)

The DCC presented diagrams encompassing the scope for SOC2, with the inclusion of SMETS1 Enrolment and Adoption.

The Agenda Item has been marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

13. SSC Quarterly Work Package Q3 2019-20 (AMBER)

SECAS presented the SSC Quarterly Work Package and clarified the activities and associated costs for the SECAS core team and project resource for the period of October – December 2019.

The SSC **NOTED** the update which has been marked as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

14. Standing Agenda Items (RED)

The SSC were provided with updates on the following standing agenda items:

- Anomaly Detection Update (**RED**);
- Shared Resource Notifications (**AMBER**); and
- Security Incidents and Vulnerabilities. (**RED**).

15. Any Other Business (AOB)

Three items of business were raised which were classified as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes. No further items of business were raised, and the SSC Chair closed the meeting.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 25 September 2019