

## **ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LICENCE CONDITIONS**

### **Condition 1: Definitions for Standard Conditions**

- 1.1 This condition sets out most of the defined words and expressions used in the standard conditions of this licence (all of which begin with capital letters) and gives their definitions next to them.
- 1.2 But some defined words and expressions used in standard condition 15 (Assistance for areas with high distribution costs scheme: payments to System Operator) and standard condition 21 (Fuel mix disclosure arrangements) and their definitions are included in those conditions.

### **Definitions in Alphabetical Order**

- 1.3 In this licence, unless the context otherwise requires:

**Act** means the Electricity Act 1989;

**Additional Electricity** means a device which:

**Smart Meter**

(a) is either a SMETS1 ESME, or is a device installed (or to be installed) at premises which:

(i) consists of the components or other apparatus identified in; and

(ii) as a minimum, has the functional capability specified by and complies with the other requirements of,

the part(s) of the SME Technical Specification identified as applying to 'Electricity Smart Metering Equipment' in a Version of the SME Technical Specification which was within its Installation Validity Period on the date on which the device was installed; and

(b) is installed at premises in such a manner and/or configuration that it is:

(i) joined to a Communications Hub Function at the premises; but

(ii) incapable of being used for the purposes of determining the quantity of electricity supplied to the premises.

<b>Affiliate Licensee</b>	means any Subsidiary, Holding Company, or Subsidiary of a Holding Company of the licensee which holds a gas supply licence granted or treated as granted pursuant to section 7A(1) of the Gas Act 1986 and/or an electricity supply licence granted or treated as granted pursuant to section 6(1)(d) of the Electricity Act 1989;
<b>Authorised</b>	in relation to any business or activity, means authorised by licence granted or treated as granted under section 6 of the Act or, in appropriate cases, by exemption granted under section 5 of the Act;
<b>Authority</b>	means the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority established under section 1 of the Utilities Act 2000;
<b>Bill</b>	means an invoice or a demand for payment or any other instrument of the same or similar character and purpose;
<b>CH Technical Specification</b>	means the Communications Hub Technical Specification, being the document (or part of a document) which:  (a) identifies itself as such; and  (b) applies in respect of a Communications Hub installed or provided for the purposes of the supply of electricity.
<b>Charges for the Supply of Electricity</b>	means, as between the licensee and a Customer, charges made by the licensee in respect of the supply of electricity to that Customer's premises, including (but not limited to) any Unit Rate (or, where applicable, Unit Rates), a Standing Charge

(or, where applicable, Standing Charges) and any charges made for the provision of an Electricity Meter;

**Citizens Advice** means the National Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux;

**Citizens Advice Scotland** means the Scottish Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux;

**Communications Hub** means:

(a) a device identified as a communications hub by the DCC,

taken together with

(b) any aerial which is required for the effective operation of that communications hub and is (or will be, when they are both installed) either a part of that device or situated adjacent to it,

in each case as provided by the DCC in accordance with its obligations under Part E of Condition 17 of the DCC Licence (Terms for the Provision of the Communications Hub Service).

**Communications Hub Function** has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**Compatible** in respect of a Version of a Technical Specification, means compatible, in accordance with the meaning given to that expression in Section F2.12 of the Smart Energy Code, with a Version of any other Technical Specification as identified in the matrix created and published by the SEC Panel pursuant to Section F2.11 of the Smart Energy Code.

**Current Transformer Electricity Meter** means an Electricity Meter which uses a current transformer as part of the mechanism for measuring the electric current;

**Customer** means any person supplied or requiring to be supplied with electricity at any premises in Great Britain but does not

include any Authorised Electricity Operator in its capacity as such;

**DCC**

means the holder of the DCC Licence.

**DCC Licence**

means the licence for the provision of a smart meter communication service granted pursuant to section 6(1)(f) or 6(1A) of the Electricity Act 1989.

**Designated Premises**

means Non-Domestic Premises at which a metering point falls within profile class 1, 2, 3 or 4 as defined in the Balancing and Settlement Code on 30 November 2012;

**Domestic Customer**

means a Customer supplied or requiring to be supplied with electricity at Domestic Premises but excludes such Customer insofar as he is supplied or requires to be supplied at premises other than Domestic Premises;

**Domestic Premises**

has the meaning given in and is to be interpreted in accordance with standard condition 6 (Classification of premises);

**Electricity Meter**

means a meter which conforms to the requirements of paragraph 2 of Schedule 7 to the Act and is of an appropriate type for measuring the quantity of electricity supplied;

**Electricity Supplier**

means any person Authorised to supply electricity;

**Electricity Supply Licence**

means an electricity supply licence granted or treated as granted under section 6(1)(d) of the Electricity Act 1989;

**Gas Supply Licence**

means a gas supply licence granted or treated as granted under section 7A(1) of the Gas Act 1986;

**HAN**

means, in relation to a Smart Metering System, the home area network operating within one or more harmonised frequency bands, which:

- (a) is created by virtue of the HAN Interfaces of that Smart Metering system; and
- (b) constitutes a means by which information can be exchanged between that Smart Metering System and any other device or system.

**HAN Connected Auxiliary Load Control Switch (or HCALCS)**

means a device installed (or to be installed) at ~~any Domestic Premises or Designated Premises~~ premises, which ~~on the date it is installed:~~

(a) comprises a device which consists of the components or other apparatus identified in; and

(a)(b) as a minimum, has the functional capability specified by and complies with the other requirements of;

~~(i) is capable of connecting through the HAN to a device forming part of a Smart Metering System; and~~

~~(ii) where such a connection is in place, has the functionality of controlling the supply of electricity to one or more loads in the premises by responding to commands received across the HAN to enable or disable the flow of electricity to any such load; and~~

~~(b) may also comprise one or more associated or ancillary devices, installed or provided for the purposes of the supply of electricity, identified in a Version (and where there is more than one such device, in the same Version) of the HCALCS Technical Specification which is was within its Maintenance-Installation Validity Period on the date of installation on which the device was installed.~~

**HAN Date**

means, in respect of each Domestic Premises, the date on which the HAN first extends into a part of the premises that is located within the main dwelling area of the premises.

**HAN Interface**

means in respect of a Smart Metering System a HAN Interface:

- (a) having the meaning given to that term in the Metering Equipment Section of the Version of the SME Technical Specification in accordance with which the Smart Metering System is maintained pursuant to the requirements of standard condition 39 (Smart Metering System – Roll-out, Installation and Maintenance); and
- (b) which is operating at a frequency, and using the communications standards applicable to that frequency, as specified in that Version of the SME Technical Specification.

**HCALCS Technical Specification**

means the part(s) of the SME Technical Specification which:

- (a) identifies itself as such; and
- (b) applies in respect of a HCALCS,

and any reference to a "Version" in the context of a HCALCS Technical Specification shall be read as a reference to the Version of the SME Technical Specification in which the HCALCS Technical Specification is included.

**IHD Technical Specification**

means the part(s) of the SME Technical Specification which:

- (a) identifies itself as such; and
- (b) applies in respect of an In-Home Display,

and any reference to a "Version" in the context of an IHD Technical Specification shall be read as a reference to the Version of the SME Technical Specification in which the IHD Technical Specification is included.

**Information**

means information (other than information subject to legal privilege) in any form or medium and of any description

specified by the Authority and includes any documents, accounts, estimates, returns, records or reports and data of any kind, whether or not prepared specifically at the request of the Authority;

**In-Home Display (or IHD)** means a device provided at premises which, on the date on which it is provided:

- (a) is a device of a type identified in a Version of the IHD Technical Specification which is within its Installation Validity Period on that date; and
- (b) as a minimum, has the functional capability specified by and complies with the other requirements of that Version of the IHD Technical Specification.

**Installation Date** means, in relation to a Smart Metering System:

- (a) where the system is installed after the Smart Metering Designated Date, the date on which it is installed; or
- (b) where the system is installed on or before the Smart Metering Designated Date, the Smart Metering Designated Date.

**Installation Validity Period** has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**Maintenance Validity Period** has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**Master Registration Agreement** means the agreement of that name referred to and providing for such matters as are set out in standard condition 37 (Metering Point Administration Service and the Master Registration Agreement) of the Distribution Licence;

**Metering Equipment Section** means the part(s) of the SME Technical Specification identified in that document as applying to 'Electricity Smart Metering Equipment' (or in respect of any Version of the SME Technical Specification with a Principal Version number of 1,

identified as applying to an 'Electricity Smart Metering System').

<b>Non-Domestic Customer</b>	means a customer who is not a Domestic Customer;
<b>Non-Domestic Premises</b>	has the meaning given in and is to be interpreted in accordance with standard condition 6 (Classification of premises);
<b>Non-Domestic Supply Contract</b>	means a Contract for the supply of electricity to Non-Domestic Premises, as varied from time to time;
<b>Notice</b>	means notice given directly to a person in Writing;
<b>Outstanding Charges</b>	means the amount of any Charges which are due to the licensee from a Domestic Customer, have been demanded of that Domestic Customer by the licensee in Writing at least 28 days previously and remain unpaid;
<b>PPMID Technical Specification</b>	<p>means the part(s) of the SME Technical Specification which:</p> <p>(a) identifies itself as such; and</p> <p>(b) applies in respect of a PPMID,</p> <p>and any reference to a "Version" in the context of a PPMID Technical Specification shall be read as a reference to the Version of the SME Technical Specification in which the PPMID Technical Specification is included.</p>
<b>Pensionable Age</b>	means, in relation to any person, pensionable age within the meaning given by section 48(2B) of the Gas Act 1989;
<b>Prepayment Meter</b>	includes any Electrical Meter operating in a mode which requires a Customer to pay Charges in advance, and references to the installation or removal of a Prepayment Meter includes the switching of any Electricity Meter to or from such a mode;



**Prepayment Meter  
Interface Device (or  
PPMID)**

means either a SMETS1 PPMID, or a device installed ~~at any Domestic Premises or Designated Premises which on the date it is installed~~(or to be installed) at a premises, which:

(a) comprises a device which consists of the components or other apparatus identified in: and

(a)(b) as a minimum, has the functional capability specified by and complies with the other requirements of,

(i) — is capable of connecting through the HAN to a device forming part of a Smart Metering System; and

(ii) — where such a connection is in place, replicates the functionality provided by or on an Electricity Meter forming part of that Smart Metering System for the purposes of facilitating the use, by the Customer of the Electricity Meter as a Prepayment Meter; and

(b) may also comprise one or more associated or ancillary devices, installed or provided for the purposes of the supply of electricity, identified in a Version (and where there is more than one such device, in the same Version) of the PPMID Technical Specification which is—was within its Maintenance—Installation Validity Period on the date of installation on which the device was installed.

**PPMID Technical  
Specification**

means the part(s) of the SME Technical Specification which:

(a) identifies itself as such; and

(b) applies in respect of a PPMID,

and any reference to a "Version" in the context of a PPMID Technical Specification shall be read as a reference to the Version of the SME Technical Specification in which the PPMID Technical Specification is included.

<b>Principal Version</b>	has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.
<b>Proposed Supplier Transfer</b>	in relation to any premises at which an Electricity Supplier is supplying electricity, means the proposed transfer of responsibility for that supply from that Electricity Supplier to any other Electricity Supplier;
<b>Relevant Electricity Supplier</b>	in relation to any premises, means the Electricity Supplier that is supplying electricity to the premises;
<b>Representative</b>	in relation to the licensee, means any person directly or indirectly authorised to represent the licensee in its dealings with Customers;
<b><u>SAPC Technical Specification</u></b>	<u>has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code;</u>
<b>Smart Energy Code</b>	means the document of that name, as designated by the Secretary of State under Condition 22 of the DCC Licence.
<b>Smart Metering Designated Date</b>	means the date on which the SME Technical Specification is designated by the Secretary of State;
<b>Smart Metering System</b>	<p>means, in respect of any Domestic Premises or Designated Premises, a system installed at such premises for the purposes of the supply of electricity to those premises which on the Installation Date:</p> <p>(a) consists of an Electricity Meter and any associated or ancillary devices identified in the Metering Equipment Section of a Version of the SME Technical Specification which is:</p> <p>(i) within its Installation Validity Period; and</p> <p>(ii) the same Version in respect of all such devices;</p>

- (b) as a minimum, has the functional capability specified by and complies with the other requirements of that Version of the SME Technical Specification; and
- (c) where the premises is a Domestic Premises, except where that Version of the SME Technical Specification has a Principal Version number of 1, includes a Relevant Communications Hub,

and where such a system installed at a Domestic Premises or Designated Premises is a Smart Metering System on the Installation Date it shall continue to be a Smart Metering System until such date as it is removed from the premises in its entirety.

**SME Technical Specification**

means the document set out in Schedule 9 of the Smart Energy Code.

**SMETS1 ESME**

has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**SMETS1 PPMID**

has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**SMETS1 Smart Metering System**

means a Smart Metering System that meets the requirements of a Version of the SME Technical Specification with a Principal Version number of 1.

**SMETS2+ Smart Metering System**

means a Smart Metering System that meets the requirements of a Version of the SME Technical Specification with a Principal Version number that is greater than 1.

**SM WAN**

has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**SM WAN Coverage Database**

has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**Specified Frequency Band**

means the 2400 – 2483.5 MHz harmonised frequency band.

**Standalone Auxiliary  
Proportional Controller (or  
SAPC)**

means a device installed (or to be installed) at a premises,  
which:

(a) consists of the components or other apparatus identified  
in; and

(b) as a minimum, has the functional capability specified  
by and complies with the other requirements of,

a Version of the SAPC Technical Specification which was  
within its Installation Validity Period on the date on which the  
device was installed;

**Sub-Version**

has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**Supplier**

means any person authorised to supply gas and/or electricity  
by virtue of a Gas Supply Licence and/or an Electricity Supply  
Licence;

**Technical Specification**

means:

(a) in respect of a Smart Metering System, the Metering  
Equipment Section of the SME Technical  
Specification;

(b) in respect of a Communications Hub, the CH Technical  
Specification;

(c) in respect of an In-Home Display, the IHD Technical  
Specification;

(d) in respect of a HAN Connected Auxiliary Load Control  
Switch, the HCALCS Technical Specification; ~~and~~

(e) in respect of a Prepayment Meter Interface Device, the  
PPMID Technical Specification; and

~~(e)(f) in respect of a Standalone Auxiliary Proportional  
Controller, the SAPC Technical Specification.~~

<b>Version</b>	has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code
<b>Website</b>	means a website controlled and used by the licensee to communicate with a Customer for reasons relating to the supply of electricity;
<b>Writing</b>	includes writing sent or received by Electronic Communication and "Written" shall be construed accordingly.