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Headlines of the Security Sub-Committee (SSC) 98_0804

At every meeting, the SSC review the outcome for Users' Security Assessments and sets an Assurance status for Initial Full User Security Assessments (FUSAs) or a Compliance status for Verification User Security Assessments (VUSAs) and subsequent FUSAs. The SSC also reviews outstanding actions, monitors the risks to the Commercial Product Assurance (CPA) certification of Devices, considers available updates from the DCC on SMETS1 enrolment and Anomaly Detection and any reported changes in Shared Resource Providers by Users and reported Security Incidents and Vulnerabilities.

The SSC reviewed the following which are classified as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Meeting Minutes:

- Endorsed an ex-committee decision to set the assurance status for one initial FUSA;
- Set a compliance status for two VUSAs;
- Noted five Security Self-Assessments (SSAs); and
- Approved one Director's Letter.

The SSC also discussed the following items:

Matters Arising

- SECAS and the User CIO provided an update on the impact of COVID-19 on User Security Assessments. (**RED**)
- BEIS provided an update on a consultation on whether the DCC should be required to provide an enrolment service for SMETS1 EDM Smart Meters, as well as number of matters that require amendments to the standard conditions of gas and electricity supply licences, the DCC licence and the Smart Energy Code (SEC), the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) and the Uniform Network Code (UNC). The consultation letter and accompanying annexes can be found [here](#). (**GREEN**)
- BEIS provided an update on the impact of COVID-19 on the Smart Meter roll out and CPA evaluations. (**RED**)
- The SSC Chair provided an update of progress made on current SSC projects, including the Security Architecture Document (SAD) review, SSC Risk Assessment, Security Incident Management (SIM) exercise, and a review of CPA Security Characteristics (SCs) threat mapping. (**RED**)

- Feedback was provided from SSC Meeting 97A, which was held on Thursday 26 March 2020. (AMBER)
- Feedback was provided from SSC Meeting 97B, which was held on Thursday 31 March 2020. (AMBER)
- BEIS presented an update on CPA Security Characteristics for Standalone Auxiliary Proportional Controllers (SAPCs). (RED)

Agenda Items

- 10. CHECK Accreditation for Separation Testing:** The SECAS Security Expert presented potential options to resolve issues relating to the lack of a SEC obligation for CHECK accreditation for testing of Separation. SSC Members agreed to review the options and make a decision at the next SSC meeting on Wednesday 22 April 2020. (AMBER)
- 12. SMETS1:** The DCC presented updates regarding the current Remediation Plan, CIO Report, Negative Testing, SUA Reset, Fast Track PPCT and Live Service Criteria. (RED)
- 14. Anomaly Detection Thresholds:** The DCC presented management information relating to Anomaly Detection Threshold breaches and volumes of Anomaly Detection warning and quarantine threshold incidents over the past six months. (AMBER)
- 15. Alert (Motorway) Cache Overflow:** The DCC presented the results of an investigation into Alert Cache Overflow and noted feedback from SSC Members. (AMBER)
- 16. ARO Security Risks:** The SSC Chair presented the results of an investigation into potential ARO Security Risks alongside potential mitigations. SSC Members considered and agreed with the recommendations of the SSC Chair. (RED)
- 17. SSC Risk Assessment Plan:** The consultants appointed to conduct the SSC risk assessment presented its SSC Risk Assessment Plan and consulted SSC Members for feedback. (AMBER)
- 18. SEC Mods Update:** This agenda item was deferred due to time constraints and an update will be presented at the next SSC Meeting on Wednesday 22 April 2020. (GREEN)

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Next Meeting: Wednesday 22 April 2020