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MP148 ‘IVP Extension for pre-SMETS v4.2 Devices’

Conclusions Report – version 1.0

About this document

This document summarises the responses received to the Modification Report Consultation and the decision of the Change Board regarding approval or rejection of this modification.

Summary of conclusions

Change Board

The Change Board voted to **approve** MP148. It believed the modification better facilitated SEC Objective (a)¹.

Modification Report Consultation

SECAS received eight responses to the Modification Report Consultation. All eight respondents believed the modification should be approved. They considered the modification better facilitated SEC Objective (a).

¹ Facilitate the efficient provision, installation, operation and interoperability of smart metering systems at energy consumers' premises within Great Britain.

Modification Report Consultation responses

Summary of responses

In total, there were four responses from Large Suppliers, one response from a Small Supplier, two responses from Other SEC Parties and one from a Network Party. All of these responses were in support of approving the Modification Proposal.

All of the responses provided believed the Modification Proposal's solution better facilitated General SEC Objective (a) by improving the facilitation of smart metering and better management of functioning Smart Meters. These Smart Meters would otherwise be scrapped due to delays brought about by the UK Government's guidance on social distancing and subsequent challenges it poses to the Smart Metering Implementation Programme (SMIP). One respondent pointed out that these costs would ultimately be borne by consumers.

The Small Supplier welcomed the increased length of time agreed to the Installation Validity Period (IVP) end date, as this would reduce the likelihood of a future modification needed to provide a similar extension.

Change Board vote

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The Change Board voted to **approve** MP148 under Self-Governance.

The vote breakdown is summarised below:

Change Board vote				
Party Category	Approve	Reject	Abstain	Outcome
Large Suppliers	4	0	0	Approve
Small Suppliers	1	0	0	Approve
Network Parties	2	0	0	Approve
Other SEC Parties	2	0	0	Approve
Consumer Representative	0	0	0	-
Overall outcome:				APPROVE

The Consumer Representative was absent for the vote.

Views against the General SEC Objectives

Objective (a)²

The Change Board unanimously believed that MP148 better facilitated SEC Objective (a) by preventing thousands of Devices being scrapped that were due for installation, but prevented due to the COVID-19 restrictions which has delayed the SMIP rollout.

Change Board discussions

The Change Board had no further comments.

² Facilitate the efficient provision, installation, operation and interoperability of smart metering systems at energy consumers' premises within Great Britain.