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SEC Releases Update

1. Purpose

This paper presents an update on progress with upcoming Smart Energy Code (SEC) Releases. This includes an update on the June 2021 and November 2021 SEC Releases.

2. June 2021 SEC Release

The table below summarises the status of the modifications currently in scope of the June 2021 SEC Release on 24 June 2021:

Modification	Status
MP106 'CHISM update for Unknown WAN Variant'	Approved for inclusion.
MP138 'DCC Service Testing in ETAD'	MP138 is undergoing the Refinement Process. We are developing the legal text with the Proposer. The Modification Report is expected to be presented to the Panel in May 2021.
MP144 'Charging of Random Sample Privacy Assessments'	The Modification Report is being presented to the Panel this month. The Change Board vote would then be held under Self-Governance on 26 May 2021.
MP146 'SM WAN Coverage Date'	Approved for inclusion.
MP147 'SMKI Full Extract'	The Change Board vote will be held on 21 April 2021 under Self-governance.
DP153 'Follow up changes for Communications Hub Finance Charges'	The Modification Report will be presented to the Panel at this meeting. We will request that the Panel approves this as a Fast-Track Modification.

The June 2021 SEC Release will be a document-only release and will not contain any DCC System impacting modifications.

We don't expect any further modifications to be added to the scope of this release, although the Panel may choose to add further modifications by exception if it believes it necessary or efficient to do so.

3. November 2021 SEC Release

The table below summarises the modifications currently in scope of the November 2021 SEC Release on 4 November 2021:

Modification	Status	Impacts DCC Systems?
SECMP0007 'Firmware update to IHDs and PPMIDs'	Approved for inclusion.	✓
MP077 'DCC Service Flagging'	Approved for inclusion. On 24 February 2021, the Change Board approved this modification under Self-Governance, subject to the Panel reviewing the implementation approach. On 12 March 2021, the Panel sought more evidence for changing the implementation date. This will be presented to the Panel this month.	✓
MP090 'Incorporation of Non GBCS Non-Mandated Alerts into the SEC'	Approved for inclusion.	✓
MP105 'Sending SR11.2 to Devices in Suspended State'	Approved for inclusion.	✓
MP116 'Service Request Forecasting'	MP116 is undergoing the Refinement Process. The Data Communications Company (DCC) is currently completing a testing program to develop the solution. This was discussed at the March Working Group meeting. Members agreed more work is needed on the solution and an additional Working Group meeting will be needed. The Modification Report is expected to be presented to the Panel in May 2021.	
MP129 'Allowing the use of CNSA variant for ECDSA'	We initially believed this to be a text-only solution that would impact the GB Companion Specification (GBCS). However, we now believe it will impact the DCC Systems and require a Preliminary Assessment. We will confirm this with the DCC. If it does, we will prepare the business requirements before seeking views from the Working Group and the Panel Sub-Committees. Due to workload, this Low priority modification has been delayed. We expect to present the Modification Report to the Panel in July 2021.	
MP143 'Incorporating IRPs into GBCS v3 series'	On 29 March 2021, the Proposer withdrew this modification in accordance with the Right to Withdraw provisions in SEC Section D5.1. On 7 April 2021, an Other SEC Party opted to adopt this Modification Proposal. It will remain in refinement and we will discuss it with the British Electrotechnical and Allied Manufacturers' Association (BEAMA) and the Technical Architecture and Business Architecture Sub-Committee (TABASC).	

Modification	Status	Impacts DCC Systems?
MP150 'Removing Table 28c from the GBCS'	Approved for inclusion.	

We don't expect any further DCC System impacting modifications to be added to the scope of this release, although the Panel may choose to add further modifications by exception if it believes it necessary or efficient to do so. Other modifications that do not impact the DCC Systems can still be added to the scope later on, and the Panel will be asked to re-baseline the scope to include these in May 2021.

November 2021 TAD

On 31 March 2021, the Testing Advisory Group (TAG) reviewed the DCC's Test Approach Document (TAD) for the November 2021 SEC Release. The TAG recommended that minor amendments be made, and these are now with the TAG Chair for review.

Once the TAD is approved, we will incorporate it into the November 2021 SEC Release Implementation Document (RID) and publish it on our release webpage here.

4. Recommendations

The Panel is requested to:

- **NOTE** the update on the June 2021 SEC Release; and
- **NOTE** the update on the November 2021 SEC Release.

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