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Dear Michael,

Request to change the SECMP0015 and SECMP0056 implementation dates

The SEC Panel is requesting that the implementation date for [SECMP0015 'GPF timestamp for reading instantaneous Gas values'](#) and [SECMP0056 'IHD / PPMID Zigbee Attributes Available on the HAN'](#) be delayed from the current date of 30 June 2022. The Panel agreed that the revised implementation date should be 3 November 2022 (as part of the November 2022 SEC Release). This letter sets out the rationale for the Panel's request and seeks the Authority's approval for these revised implementation dates.

On 16 April 2022, the Panel agreed that the June 2022 SEC Release shall include modifications that impact the DCC User Interface Specification (DUIS), to align these with the DUIS uplift for the Enduring Change of Supplier (ECoS) arrangements. This would ensure a single DUIS uplift in 2022.

The Panel also agreed that all other DCC System impacting modifications, including those that impact the GB Companion Specification (GBCS), the Smart Metering Equipment Specifications (SMETS) and the Communications Hub Technical Specifications (CHTS), should be implemented in the November 2022 SEC Release, again ensuring a single uplift to those Technical Specifications.¹

SECMP0015 has already been approved for inclusion in the June 2022 SEC Release and impacts the following documents:

- SEC Schedule 8 'Great Britain Companion Specification'
- SEC Schedule 9 'Smart Metering Equipment Technical Specification 2'
- SEC Schedule 10 'Communications Hub Technical Specifications'
- SEC Schedule 11 'Technical Specification Applicability Tables'
- SEC Appendix AD 'DCC User Interface Specification'
- SEC Appendix AF 'Message Mapping Catalogue'

The DUIS and Message Mapping Catalogue (MMC) document changes for SECMP0015 and any associated Technical Specification Applicability Tables (TSAT) changes will continue to be included in the June 2022 SEC Release, as part of the single DUIS uplift. However, the Panel is requesting that all other parts of SECMP0015 are instead implemented in the November 2022 SEC Release.

¹ Please see SEC Panel paper SECP_91_1604_18 for further details.

Alongside the DUIS and the MMC changes, a new version of the Parse and Correlate software is expected to be made available to Users for use as part of the June 2022 SEC Release.

The DCC notes that the June 2022 SEC Release will not be able to test the full end-to-end functionality associated with the SECMP0015 changes, as no updated Gas Proxy Function (GPF) Devices will be available to send the new timestamp when reading instantaneous gas values. Regression testing will be carried out to ensure that the impacted GBCS Use Cases continue to operate successfully without these changes being supported from the existing portfolio of deployed Devices. The end-to-end functionality associated with the SECMP0015 changes will be functionally tested either as part of the November 2022 SEC Release or at a later notified date, as soon as updated Communications Hub firmware is available (per variant) to test the full functionality against.

SECMP0056 has been submitted to the Authority for decision with a targeted release date of the June 2022 SEC Release. It does not impact the DUIS but does impact the GBCS, the SMETS and the CHTS. Therefore, the Panel is requesting the targeted implementation date for SECMP0056 be revised to 3 November 2022.

SECMP0015 and SECMP0056 had both been previously targeted for the June 2022 SEC Release to facilitate cost savings with testing. These cost savings were based upon testing and implementing the associated GBCS and Communications Hub firmware updates together with other modifications that required those updates. These cost savings will still be realised if the requested implementation date changes are approved, as these modifications will still be tested and implemented together with the other relevant GBCS, SMETS and CHTS impacting modifications yet to reach decision, which will also now be targeted for the November 2022 SEC Release. Changing the implementation date will not result in any increase in the quoted costs for these modifications and may realise further cost-savings if additional modifications are added to the scope of the SEC Release.

In accordance with SEC Section D10.5, the Panel therefore requests the Authority directs a revised implementation date for all parts of SECMP0015 other than the DUIS and the MMC document changes, and for SECMP0056 of 3 November 2022 (November 2022 SEC Release). If the Authority's decision on SECMP0056 is still outstanding, the targeted implementation date set out in the Modification Report will be revised accordingly.

If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact myself or the SECAS team on 020 7090 7755 or sec.change@gemserv.com.

Yours sincerely,



Peter Davies, SEC Panel Chair

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