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MP125 ‘Correcting Device Information ESME Variant, Device Model and Device Manufacturer’

July 2021 Working Group – meeting summary

Attendees

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Overview

The Smart Energy Code Administrator and Secretariat (SECAS) provided an overview of the issue identified by MP125, the updated business requirement and next steps.

Issue

SECAS presented the issue which is when an installing Supplier pre-notifies a Device to the Data Communications Company (DCC) using the Device Pre-Notification Service Request Variant (SRV) 12.2, they provide various Device details (including Electricity Smart Metering Equipment Variant, Device Model and Device Manufacturer) to be stored in the Smart Metering Inventory (SMI). Whilst the Device remains in the Pending state these details can be corrected by the installing Supplier. Once the Installation and Commissioning process has started and the Device leaves the Pending state then it is no longer possible for the gaining responsible Supplier to update these details in the SMI. The purpose of this Modification is to allow the Responsible Supplier to be able to correct certain Device details in the SMI after the Device has been commissioned.

SECAS highlighted the business requirement have been updated and defined by SECAS, the Proposer and the DCC. The final requirement for this Modification is:

Business requirement:

- Responsible Supplier shall be able to update the Electricity Smart Metering Equipment (ESME) Variant held in the Smart Metering Inventory (SMI) after a Device has been commissioned.

SECAS highlighted the proposal, and the updated business requirements were presented to the respective Sub-Committees including the Security Sub Committee (SSC) and the Technical Architecture and Business Architecture Sub-Committee (TABASC). The general feedback was that it was sufficient to proceed with the business requirement to allow the responsible Supplier to update the ESME Variant only. Any other areas would present security implications and as a result the Proposer has agreed to keep this Modification based on amending the ESME Variant only.

Working Group Discussion

The Working Group agreed that the issue was clear and should be resolved. A member queried if the current list of ESME Variant include following on from recent releases there were two additional

ESME Variant which were included and requested SECAS check and confirm if the these would be added if they are now valid ESME Variants: -

- “F = Auxiliary Proportional Controllers (APC), installed/integrated within the ESME
- “G = Standalone Auxiliary Proportional Controller (SAPC)

SECAS advised to check and confirm this. Overall, the modification received full support and the Working Group were happy for SECAS to request a DCC Preliminary Assessment. No further comments were raised.

Next Steps

The following actions were recorded from the meeting:

- SECAS to check the current list of ESME Variants and confirm if the two new ESME Variants will be included in the Modification Report, if they are now valid ESME Variants.
- SECAS to issue MP125 for a DCC Preliminary Assessment.