



30 June 2022

The Authority (Ofgem), the SEC Panel, SEC Parties and
other interested parties

Dear Colleague,

Smart Metering Implementation Programme: Direction to re-designate the DCC User Interface Schedule (DUIS) and the Service Request Processing Document (SRPD) under the Smart Energy Code (SEC) to support the Enduring Change of Supplier (ECoS) arrangements

1. On 24 September 2021, the Data Communications Company (DCC) consulted¹ on a number of changes to Smart Energy Code (SEC) subsidiary documents that would be needed to support the Enduring Change of Supplier (ECoS) arrangements. On 9 February 2022, DCC issued its conclusions document² in light of the responses to the consultation. In its conclusions document, DCC explained that because of its ECoS replan, most of the proposed changes to subsidiary documents would be delayed until the planned commencement of transition to ECoS in June 2023. However, DCC also explained that a subset of the changes were still intended to be made on 30 June 2022 to coincide with the SEC release on that date.
2. DCC's consultation response explained that the changes to be made on 30 June 2022 included the Service Request Processing Document (SRPD) (SEC Appendix AB) and the DCC User Interface Specification (DUIS) (SEC Appendix AD). The DCC also invited views on the proposed re-designation of these documents on 30 June 2022 (or as soon as reasonably practicable within one month thereafter), and no respondents disagreed with the proposed date. Some respondents raised concerns on the changes proposed, however these have subsequently been addressed by DCC with those respondents, as recorded in the conclusions document.
3. The nature of the ECoS-related changes for 30 June 2022 is technical, and essentially reflects additional checks that the DCC will be carrying out on Service Requests and Signed Pre-Commands to ensure that they will be successfully processed by Devices. These

¹ <https://www.smartdcc.co.uk/consultations/sec-subsiary-document-changes-for-enduring-change-of-supplier-arrangements/>

² <https://www.smartdcc.co.uk/consultations/conclusions-on-the-sec-subsiary-document-changes-required-for-the-enduring-change-of-supplier-ecos-arrangements-and-consultation-on-date-for-re-designation-of-certain-documents/>

additional checks include, for CoS Update Security Credentials Service Requests, confirming that:

- a. the number of Organisation Certificates contained within the Service Request is necessary and sufficient for the target Device;
 - b. all of the replacement Organisation Certificates have a Remote Party Role of “supplier”;
 - c. the Key Usage of each such Organisation Certificate is compatible with the Trust Anchor Cell in relation to which the relevant Device Security Credentials are to be replaced; and
 - d. where relevant, the SupplierPrepaymentTopUpFloorSeqNumber data item has been included within the Service Request;
4. In addition, the changes also support DCC checks that, for all service requests that seek to replace Device Security Credentials:
- a. the Issuing OCA Certificate for each such Organisation Certificate is also contained within that Service Request; and
 - b. each Issuing OCA Certificate contained within that Service Request has been used to Issue at least one of the Organisation Certificates contained within that Service Request.
5. It is intended that correctly formed Service Requests used prior to the release should not be impacted by the additional checks mentioned above.
6. A subset of these additional checks is also applied when the Data Services Provider (DSP) receives a relevant Signed Pre-Command from a User or the CoS Party.
7. Both DUIS and the SRPD are also being modified by SEC modifications for the June 2022 release. Full details of the June 2022 release and the associated SEC modifications can be found on the SEC website³. The effect of the re-designations made by the direction in this letter is to re-designate versions of DUIS and SRPD that have on 30 June 2022 already been modified by SEC modifications for the SEC Release of that date.
8. The change-marked versions of SRPD and DUIS are included in Appendices 1 and 2 respectively to this letter. These documents have been annotated to show which 30 June 2022 changes are being made as a consequence of SEC modifications and which are ECoS related.
9. Annexes A and B to the direction set out below contain clean versions of SRPD v7.0 and DUIS v5.1 respectively. These are the documents being re-designated by the direction.

³ <https://smartenergycodecompany.co.uk/june-2022-sec-release/>

Direction

This direction is made for the purposes of the smart meter communication licences granted to Smart DCC Ltd under the Electricity Act 1989 and the Gas Act 1986 (such licences being the "DCC Licence") and the Smart Energy Code designated by the Secretary of State pursuant to the DCC Licence (such code being the "SEC"). Words and expressions used in this direction shall be interpreted in accordance with Section A (Definitions and Interpretation) of the SEC.

Pursuant to Condition 22 of the DCC Licence and Section X5 (Incorporation of Certain Documents into this Code) of the SEC, the Secretary of State directs that with effect from 30 June 2022:

- i) the Service Request Processing Document (SEC Appendix AB) is hereby re-designated in the form set out in Annex A to this direction; and
- ii) the version of the DCC User Interface Specification in SEC Appendix AD today modified by SEC Modifications is hereby re-designated in the form set out in Annex B to this direction.

For the avoidance of doubt, any re-designation of the DCC Users Interface Specification and Service Request Processing Document shall be without prejudice to anything done under the DCC Licence or SEC on or after these documents first being designated, or to the continuing effectiveness of anything done under these documents prior to their re-designation (which shall have effect as if done under the relevant re-designated document).

This direction is also being notified to the SEC Administrator and an updated version of the SEC to reflect the changes will be available on the SEC website in due course.

Yours faithfully,



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Annex A to the direction (a separate document): SEC Appendix AB – Service Request Processing Document (SRPD) v7.0

Annex B to the direction (a separate document): SEC Appendix AD – DCC User Interface Specification (DUIS) v5.1

Appendix 1 to the letter (a separate document): change marked version of Appendix AB – Service Request Processing Document (SRPD) v7.0 relative to v.6.0

Appendix 2 to the letter (a separate document): change marked version of SEC Appendix AD – DCC User Interface Specification (DUIS) v5.1 relative to v.5.0