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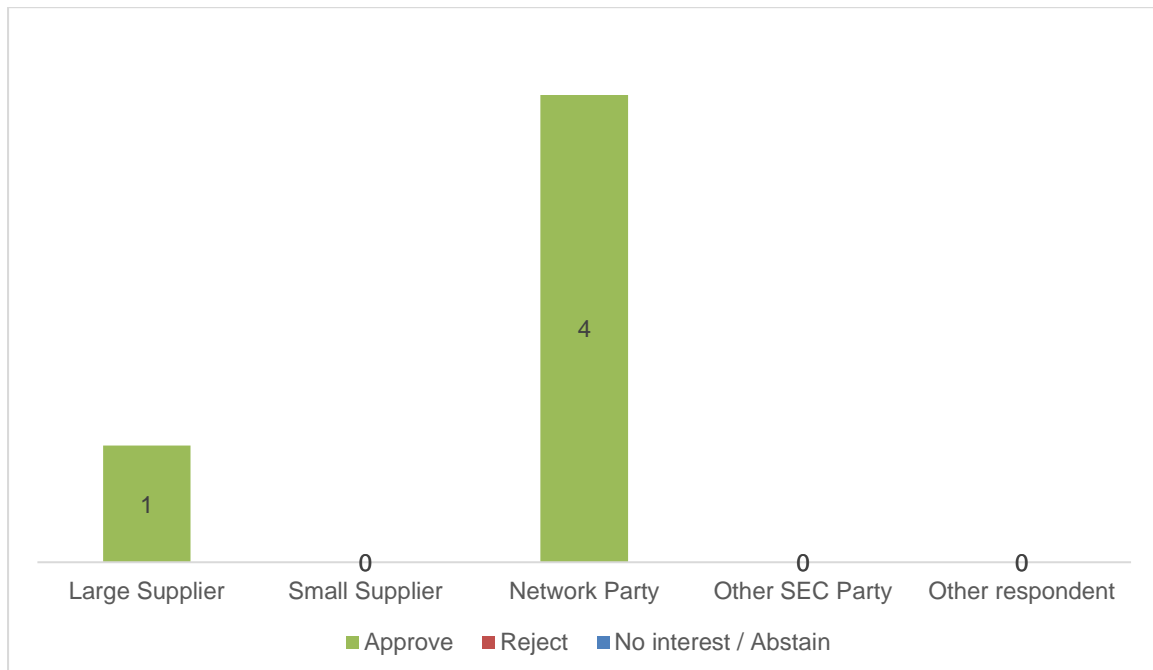
# MP102B ‘Power Outage Alerts triggered by an OTA firmware upgrade - enduring solution’

## Modification Report Consultation responses

### About this document

This document contains the full collated responses received to the MP102B Modification Report Consultation.

### Summary of responses



## Question 1: Do you believe that MP102B should be approved?

Question 1				
Respondent	Category	Response	Rationale	SECAS Response
<b>Western Power Distribution</b>	Network Party	Approve	We believe that this modification better facilitates SEC Objective (a) by ensuring efficient operation of the Smart Metering Systems at Energy Consumer's premises.	-
<b>Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks</b>	Network Party	Approve	We believe this modification would better facilitate SEC Objective (a)1. Reducing the nongenuine AD1 Alerts will better facilitating the efficient operation and interoperability of smart metering systems at energy Consumers' premises within Great Britain. It will have a positive impact on quality of services as DNOs will be able to identify genuine power outages and respond accordingly. The modification will also have a positive impact on safety and reliability, as DNOs will have better visibility of genuine power outages, as erroneous POAs will be mitigated because of the solution.	-
<b>OVO Energy</b>	Large Supplier	Approve	Please note that it has been difficult to come to a decision on this modification based on the information provided. The modification has very little benefit to Suppliers, but based on the charging statement and the fact that the DCC running costs are split according to market share, Suppliers like ourselves will be paying more than the DNOs that will benefit from this modification.	SECAS note your comments and will include them in the conclusions report. There is also a modification that investigates the current charging mechanism due to be raised.

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			In saying that, we recognise the issue that this modification is trying to resolve and the impact this will have on traffic. We completely understand the obligations that are in place for DNOs. We have been advised that the support calls are likely to cease within three months of the modification implementation date also.	
<b>Electricity North West</b>	Network Party	Approve	The implementation of MP102B will reduce the volume of erroneous alerts arriving at our gateway.	-
<b>UK Power Networks</b>	Network Party	Approve	<p>UK Power Networks agrees that the proposed solution under 102B should be approved because it will effectively resolve the identified issue of POAs being generated when an “over-the-air” firmware update is activated on particular L&amp;G ESMEs, where the ESME reboot time exceeds three minutes and interrupts the power supply to the communications hub.</p> <p>We agree with the proposer’s views of this modification, which will reduce the non-genuine AD1 alerts, that it will better facilitate the General SEC Objectives as set out in Section C1, in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The first General SEC Objective, namely, to facilitate the efficient provision, installation, and operation, as well as interoperability, of Smart Metering Systems at Energy Consumers’ premises within Great Britain.</li> </ul> <p>In addition.</p>	-

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The fifth General SEC Objective, namely, to facilitate such innovation in the design and operation of Energy Networks (as defined in the Data Communications Company Licence) as will best contribute to the delivery of a secure and sustainable Supply of Energy;</li> </ul>	

## Question 2: Please provide any further comments you may have

Question 2			
Respondent	Category	Comments	SECAS Response
Western Power Distribution	Network Party	No comment.	-
Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks	Network Party	Noting the costs, business requirements and legal text we believe this modification should be approved.	-
OVO Energy	Large Supplier	<p>It should be really clear how the costs are going to be split out and where this information is held. The way that the costs are split out is based on the category of Customer, essentially by market share, resulting in Large Suppliers paying more for this modification than the DNOs who are going to benefit. This needs to be clear in the mod report and less ambiguous, no matter how little or large those costs may be. We all pay for a modification that doesn't necessarily benefit us, the weightings should therefore be clear, not only in this modification but other modifications also.</p> <p>On further questioning, it appears that the support calls are likely to cease within three months of the modification implementation, this information would be helpful to know in the modification report as this has helped us to come to this decision.</p>	As per our response to question 1, this can be investigated when the new charging mechanism has been raised. We will also discuss this internally to see if it is possible to make public how a modification cost is to be divided.
Electricity North West	Network Party	No comment.	-

Question 2			
Respondent	Category	Comments	SECAS Response
UK Power Networks	Network Party	No comment.	-