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MP210 'RSA forecasts, orders and pay stock charges for Alt HAN Equipment'

November 2022 Working Group – meeting summary

Attendees

Attendee	Organisation
Ali Beard (AB)	SECAS
Joey Manners (JM)	SECAS
Elizabeth Woods (EW)	SECAS
Mike Fenn (MF)	SECAS
Rachel Black (RBI)	SECAS
Bradley Baker	SECAS
David Walsh (DW)	DCC
Julie Brown (JB)	British Gas
Martin Bell (MB)	EUA
Ralph Baxter (RBa)	Octopus Energy
Mafs Rahman (MR)	Scottish Power
Daniel Davies (DD)	ESG
Patricia Massey (PM)	BEAMA
Alex Hurcombe (AH)	EDF
Jamie Flaherty (JF)	Ofgem
Kelly Kinsman (KK)	National Grid Electricity Distribution
Amy Cox	EDF
Audrey Smith-Keary (ASK)	OVO Energy
Robert Johnstone	Utilita
David Jones	Alt HAN Co

Overview

The Smart Energy Code Administrator and Secretariat (SECAS) provided an overview of the issue identified, the Proposed Solution, proposed legal text, modification costs and Refinement Constulation Responses.

Issue

• Currently, only energy Suppliers can forecast and order Alternative Home Area Network (Alt HAN) equipment.





• Alt HAN processes do not currently provide for Registered Supplier Agents (RSAs) to undertake the forecasting and ordering on behalf of Suppliers.

Impact

- Suppliers cannot wholly outsource the forecasting and provision of Alt HAN equipment to their RSAs, increasing the burden on Suppliers.
- Without RSAs being able to forecast and order Alt HAN equipment, Suppliers may be restricted, and in some cases unable to support the implementation of Alt HAN solutions.

Proposed Solution

- To allow RSAs to be able to forecast and order Alt HAN equipment on behalf of the Suppliers they represent.
- DCC will process Explicit Charge Alt HAN Co reports that will contain Party as well as Supplier in stock charge data.
- RSAs to manage Alt HAN Equipment returns. This can be actioned before and after Alt HAN Equipment installation.
- Proposed legal text 'Relevant Supplier Party' to be replaced with 'Party'.

Costs

- SEC costs limited to SECAS time and effort.
- Alt HAN costs Alt HAN Supplier contract changes costed at approximately £25,000 (paid for through the Alt HAN Co budget).

Refinement Consultation

- Five respondents
- Four respondents were supportive of the modification
- One respondent queried the credit cover requirements (Value at Risk):
 - And The DCC has since clarified that the monthly Alt HAN Explicit Charge will be included in the Value at Risk calculation for RSAs (annual Explicit Charges are exempt following MP159 'Credit Cover Review')

Working Group Discussion

SECAS (BB) provided an overview of the issue, Proposed Solution and Refinement Consultation responses.





Feedback on the modification

SECAS (BB) added that since the November 2022 Working Group paper day, it had obtained feedback from Small Suppliers to better understand their views on the modification. Three Small Suppliers expressed strong support for the Modification, and one stated it was the only way that they would be able to provide Alt HAN solutions to their customers.

Alt HAN consultation

Alt HAN Co (DJ) informed the Working Group that it has issued a consultation for the proposed Alt HAN Supplier contract changes that support MP210. This consultation is open until 14 November 2022. Alt HAN Co stated it would be beneficial for Suppliers and RSAs to familiarise themselves with the changes and that questions should be sent to Alt HAN Co. The consultation documents can be downloaded <u>here</u>.

Next Steps

The following actions were recorded from the meeting:

• SECAS to present the modification to the Change Sub-Committee under the recommendation that it proceeds to the Report Phase.

