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Stage 03: Modification Report Consultation

SECMP0034:

Changes to the SEC Section D for DCC analysis provisions

What stage is this document in the process?

01	Initial Modification Report
02	Refinement Process
03	Report Phase
04	Final Modification Report

Summary

Currently, the Smart Energy Code (SEC) does not recognise the Data Communication Company's (DCC's) Preliminary Assessment (PA) and Impact Assessment (IA) processes. This modification seeks to update SEC Section D 'Modification Process' to ensure:

- the DCC PA and IA processes are recognised;
- there are clear delivery timescales and/or methods for setting such timescales; and
- associated progress reporting to the SEC Panel.

Working Group's views



- The **majority** of the Working Group (WG) believes that SECMP0034 should be **approved**

Impacts



- DCC
- Smart Energy Code Administrator and Secretariat (SECAS)
- There are no impacts on other SEC Parties
- There are no impacts on DCC Central Systems or Party interfacing systems

Response Deadline



- This Consultation closes at **5pm on Friday 9th March 2018**.

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About this Document

This is the Modification Report Consultation (MRC) for SECMP0034. This document provides a high-level summary of the issue, solution, impacts and costs, implementation date and conclusions of the Working Group and the Panel views.

This document has four attachments:

- Attachment A contains the Final Modification Report (FMR) which provides a detailed explanation of the issue, solution, impacts, costs, implementation as well as the full discussions and conclusions of the Working Group and the Panel;
- Attachment B contains the draft legal text changes to support this modification;
- Attachment C contains the business requirements to support this modification; and
- Attachment D contains the MRC response form.

As part of this consultation SEC Parties will be asked to provide their views on SECMP0034. The information provided will help us to better understand the benefits and drawbacks of the modification and assist the Change Board in its determination.

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Summary of SECMP0034

What is the issue?

Currently there is no recognition of the DCC's PA and IA processes under the SEC. Further, the delay in delivering PAs and IAs has led to delays in the overall progression of several SEC Modification Proposals since February 2016.

What is the Proposed Solution?

This modification seeks to define the processes associated with the DCC's assessment of SEC Modification Proposals. The proposed solution developed by the Proposer and the WG introduces the following into the SEC:

- definitions associated with DCC Assessments;
- standard timescales for the delivery of DCC Assessments (15 Working Days for a PA and 40 Working Days for an IA);
- processes associated with Urgent DCC Assessments;
- steps for requesting and submitting additional information to support DCC Assessments;
- steps for revising agreed DCC Assessment timescales;
- introduction of additional DCC reporting requirements; and
- additional reporting requirements for DCC Assessments in the DCC's Targeted Service Levels.

Potential impacts

Party

Other than the DCC, there are no impacts on SEC Parties associated with the implementation of this Modification Proposal.

System

There are no system impacts associated with this modification.

Potential implementation costs

The total estimated implementation cost to deliver SECMP0034 is approximately £3,000 in SEC Administration effort.

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Implementation Date

The Panel has agreed an implementation date for SECMP0034 of:

- **1st November 2018**, if a decision to approve is received on or before 18th October 2018; or
- **28th February 2019**, if a decision to approve is received after 18th October 2018 but on or before 14th February 2019.

Working Group's views

The WG believes **by majority** that SECMP0034 better facilitates SEC Objective (g). The WG therefore believes that this Modification Proposal should be **approved**.

Panel conclusions

The Panel **unanimously** agreed that SECMP0034 should progress to Modification Report Consultation as a Path 3: Self-Governance Modification Proposal.

Where can you find further information?

A full description of the issue, solution, impacts, costs, implementation date and the full discussions and conclusions of the Working Group and the Panel for SECMP0034 can be found in the FMR (Attachment A).

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