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Stage 02: Industry Consultation

SECMP0043:

Modification to Services Force Majeure Provisions

Summary

This modification aims to refine the Services Force Majeure (FM) provisions in the SEC to clarify what is considered a Services FM event and refine the SEC procedures which apply in the event of a Services FM.

What stage is this document in the process?

01 Initial Assessment

02 Refinement Process

03 | Modification Report

▶ 04 Decision

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Impacts



- Data Communications Company (DCC)
- There are no impacts on any other SEC Parties identified.
- There are no impacts on DCC Central Systems or Party interfacing systems.

Response Deadline



This consultation closes at 5pm on Thursday, 15 March 2018.

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About this Document

This is an industry consultation for SECMP0043. This document provides a high-level summary of the issue, solution, impacts and costs as well as the proposed progression timeline and implementation date for the Modification Proposal;

This document has four attachments:

- Attachment A contains the Initial Modification Report (IMR) which provides a detailed explanation of the issue, solution, potential impacts and costs as well as the proposed progression;
- Attachment B contains the draft legal text changes to support this modification;
- Attachment C contains a review of the proposed legal text and provides further clarity, in layman's terms, on the potential implications of the proposed solution should it be implemented; and
- Attachment D contains the Industry Consultation Response Form.

What is the purpose of this industry consultation?

SECAS has issued this industry consultation to seek views from SEC Parties on SECMP0043 prior to convening a Working Group (WG). The information provided as part of this consultation will be used to facilitate WG the discussions on SECMP0043 and help shape the solution and assist the Panel, the Change Board and the Authority in their determination.

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Summary of SECMP0043

What is the issue?

Prior to Ofgem's decision to implement the DCC Operational Performance Regime (OPR) in April 2018; an industry consultation was carried out in June 2017. Part of Ofgem's considerations from the consultation included how exceptional events in the DCC's performance reporting should remain consistent between the OPR and Smart Energy Code and Service Provider performance measures. The DCC expressed concerns about the list of the current exceptional events outlined in the SEC noting that the list lacks clarity and is not fit for purpose.

What is the Proposed Solution?

The Proposer (DCC) seeks to make clarifications to the Service FM provisions by providing additional detail to the definition of Services FM in SEC Section A and clarity to the procedure which the DCC and the Panel are to follow if the DCC wishes to claim Services FM outlined in SEC Section M3.

Impacts - Proposed Solution

Party

Other than the DCC, there are no other SEC Parties impacted due to the implementation of this modification.

System

There are no impacts on Central Systems or Participant Systems.

Implementation Costs

The total estimated implementation cost to deliver SECMP0043 is limited to the SEC Administration time and effort for:

- Making the necessary amendments to the SEC;
- Releasing a new version of the SEC to SEC Parties; and
- Publication of the new version on the SEC website.

However, this will be confirmed as part of the WG's assessment and development of the modification.

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Implementation Date

SECAS and the Proposer recommend an implementation date of:

21 June 2018, if a decision to approve is made by 25 May 2018.

Where can you find further information?

A full description of the issue, solution, impacts, costs and implementation date of SECMP0043 can be found in the IMR (Attachment A) or on the SECMP0043 page of our website.

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