

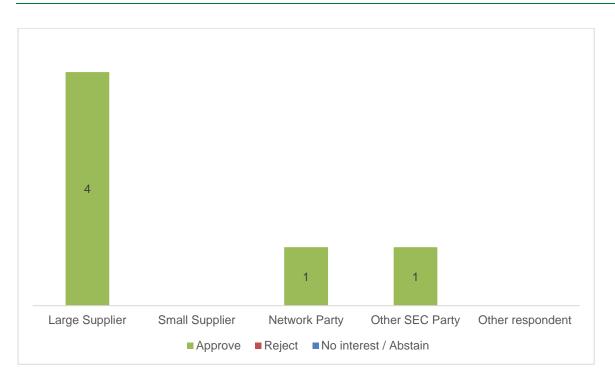
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MP231 'Firmware upgrade pathways' Modification Report Consultation responses

About this document

This document contains the full collated responses received to the MP231 Modification Report Consultation.

Summary of responses







Question 1: Do you believe that MP231 should be approved or rejected?

Question 1				
Respondent	Category	Response	Rationale	
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party	Approve	-	
OVO Energy	Large Supplier	Approve	Sensible modification with a reasonable cost, particularly useful for meters we don't install and the MM's we don't have a contract with.	
British Gas	Large Supplier	Approve	General SEC Objective (a) as it helps ensure meters work as required.	
EDF Energy	Large Supplier	Approve	Though this modification will have no direct impact to ourselves at EDF, we support the proposal as it will improve the adherence of up-to-date firmware across the entire DCC estate, benefitting customers and preventing unnecessary loss of functioning meters. This may potentially be of greatest benefit to smaller suppliers and newer entrants to the market, however the indirect benefits of more meters on the DCC functioning correctly will benefit all parties.	
Octopus Energy Ltd	Large Supplier	Approve	Although we don't believe this modification will create a material benefit for ourselves as a business, due to the processes we already have in place, we can see that there would be a benefit for Users to be able to access this information in a central location and would help facilitate SEC objective a). Given that the costs are minimal in comparison to other modifications, we see no reason to reject this modification.	
Northern Powergrid Metering Limited	Other SEC Party	Approve	Northern Powergrid Metering Limited (NPML) are supportive of this modification. Incorrectly following firmware upgrade paths can negatively impact consumers. NPML agrees with the assessment that it will help better facilitate SEC objective A.	





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

Question 2			
Respondent	Category	Comments	
National Grid Electricity Distribution	Network Party		
OVO Energy	Large Supplier	-	
British Gas	Large Supplier	This seems sensible.	
EDF Energy	Large Supplier	N/A	
Octopus Energy Ltd	Large Supplier	No further comments	
Northern Powergrid Metering Limited	Other SEC Party	NPML wishes to reiterate the importance of managing this quickly and openly when an issue in a specific upgrade path is identified. The speed that notifications are sent out to suppliers noting a change in recommended upgrade paths will directly impact the amount of meters that may be impacted.	

