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# MP231 ‘Firmware upgrade pathways’ Conclusions Report – version 1.0

## About this document

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This document summarises the responses received to the Modification Report Consultation and the decision of the Change Board regarding approval or rejection of this modification.

## Summary of conclusions

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### Change Board

The Change Board voted to **approve** MP231. It believed the modification better facilitated SEC Objective (a)<sup>1</sup>.

### Modification Report Consultation

SECAS received six responses to the Modification Report Consultation. All respondents believed that the modification should be approved. They considered the modification better facilitated SEC Objective (a).

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<sup>1</sup> facilitate the efficient provision, installation, and operation, as well as interoperability, of Smart Metering Systems at Energy Consumers’ premises within Great Britain

## Modification Report Consultation responses

### Summary of responses

All six respondents believed that the modification should be approved.

Two respondents (Large Suppliers) noted that they would not be directly impacted but recognised the benefit for smaller Parties with less resource, ultimately leading to improved service to consumers.

One respondent (Other SEC Party) highlighted the importance of being able to make swift corrections with proactive notifications to Suppliers to ensure that any impacts on meter numbers will be limited.

### Zigbee band field

A Manufacturer Party highlighted that the information related to the Zigbee banding is currently on the Central Products List (CPL) as an optional free text field. They noted this would be lost if replaced by a mandatory field only accessible by the Security Sub-Committee (SSC), and the benefits of Suppliers being able to see this would be lost. Respondents to the Refinement Consultation had provided a view that being able to view that information would be beneficial to them.

The Proposer has agreed that this was unintentional and supports moving that data field to being available on the CPL, rather than the 'Device Zigbee Information Repository' which would only be available to the SSC.

## Change Board vote

### Change Board vote

The Change Board voted to **approve** MP231 under Self-Governance.

The vote breakdown is summarised below:

Change Board vote				
Party Category	Approve	Reject	Abstain	Outcome
Large Suppliers	3	0	1	<b>Approve</b>
Small Suppliers	2	0	0	<b>Approve</b>
Network Parties	2	0	0	<b>Approve</b>
Other SEC Parties	0	0	2	-
Consumer Representative	-	-	-	-
Overall outcome:				<b>APPROVE</b>

The Consumer Representative was not present for the vote.

## Views against the General SEC Objectives

### Objective (a)

The Change Board believed that MP231 will better facilitate SEC Objective (a) by providing a central repository for all Parties to quickly identify the appropriate upgrade pathways for Devices.

### Change Board discussions

One Change Board member queried whether Manufacturers were satisfied with the solution, noting their commercial concerns had been raised in development. SECAS advised that they were comfortable with the commercial elements, namely the Zigbee stack version and the Zigbee chipset vendor only being available to the SSC.

The Change Board had no further comments.