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## Stage 02: Working Group Consultation

# SECMP0018:

# Standard Electricity Distributor Configuration Settings

## Summary

This modification aims to set default values for Electricity Network Parties' (ENPs) configuration settings for all Electrical Smart Metering Equipment (ESME). This will reduce the need for ENPs to apply settings immediately after the ESME is first installed and commissioned.

## Working Group View



- The initial unanimous view of the Working Group is that SECMP0018 should be approved.

## Impacts



- Electricity Network Parties (ENPs);
- Suppliers;
- Manufacturers; and
- Party interfacing systems

## Response Deadline



- This consultation closes at **5pm on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018.**

What stage is this document in the process?

01	Initial Assessment
02	Refinement Process
03	Modification Report
04	Decision

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## About this Document

This is the Working Group Consultation (WGC) for SECMP0018. This document provides a high-level summary of the issue, solution(s), impacts and costs, implementation date and the Working Group's views on the Modification Proposal;

This document has four attachments:

- Attachment A contains the Draft Modification Report (DMR) which provides a detailed explanation of the issue, solution(s), impacts, costs, implementation as well as the full Working Group discussions and conclusions;
- Attachment B contains the draft legal text changes to support this modification;
- Attachment C contains the Solution Design Document; and
- Attachment D contains the WGC response form.

As part of this consultation SEC Parties will be asked to provide their views on SECMP0018. The information provided will help us to better understand the benefits and drawbacks of the modification, shape the solution and assist the Panel, the Change Board and the Authority in their determinations.

## Summary of SECMP0018

### What is the issue?

Currently, ENPs are required to configure a newly installed ESMEs with the required settings through relevant Service Requests as soon as the meter has been installed and commissioned. The configuration of ESMEs needs to occur for every new meter installation to set thresholds for voltage events on the ENP's network. This process can be a burden to the ENPs because these settings only have minor differences from one ESME to the next.

### What is the Proposed Solution?

The proposed solution is to require Manufacturers to populate ESMEs with standard ENP configuration settings. ENPs have agreed, via the Energy Network Association (ENA), a common set of configurations. These have been reviewed by the British Electrotechnical and Allied Manufacturers Association (BEAMA) members and discussed by the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) and the Technical Specification Issue Resolution Sub-group (TSIRS). These settings would be contained in the Great Britain Companion Specification (GBCS), thereby mandating Suppliers to ensure that procured ESMEs from Manufacturers contain the default settings.

### Impacts – Proposed Solution

#### Party

Large Supplier Parties	X	Small Supplier Parties	X
Electricity Network Parties	X	Gas Network Parties	
Other SEC Parties	X		

#### System

DCC Systems		Party interfacing systems	
Smart Metering Systems		Communication Hubs	
Other systems			

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## Implementation Costs

The total estimated implementation cost to deliver SECMP0018 is approximately **£1,200** which consists of SEC Administration effort.

## Implementation Date

The Working Group recommends an implementation date of:

- **27<sup>th</sup> June 2019**, if a decision to approve is made by **26<sup>th</sup> October 2018**.

## Working Group's initial views

The Working Group initially believes **unanimously** that SECMP0018 does better facilitate the SEC Objectives. The Working Group therefore believes that this Modification Proposal should be **approved**.

## Where can you find further information?

A full description of the issue, solution, impacts, costs, implementation date and the Working Group's views on the merits of SECMP0018 can be found in the DMR (Attachment A).