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Stage 02: Working Group Consultation

SECMP0041:

Amending the Change Board decision making rules for Modification Proposals

What stage is this document in the process?

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03	Modification Report
04	Decision

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Summary

This Modification seeks to introduce a mechanism for SEC Parties to vote on the outcome of Modification Proposals. It also looks to limit the decision-making activities of the Change Board and ensure it is only used where the industry cannot come to a majority decision.

Working Group View



- The Working Group by majority believes that SECMP0041 should be **approved**

Impacts



- All SEC Parties
- Smart Energy Code Administrator and Secretariat (SECAS)
- Change Board
- There are no impacts on Data Communications Company (DCC) Central Systems and/or Party interfacing systems

Response Deadline



- This consultation closes at 5pm on 27th July 2018.

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About this Document

This is the Working Group Consultation (WGC) for SECMP0041. This document provides a high-level summary of the issue, solution, impacts and costs, implementation date and WG'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, impacts, costs, implementation as well as the full WG discussions and conclusions;
- Attachments B and C contains the draft legal text changes to support this modification;
- Attachment D contains the solution diagram for the proposed solution.
- Attachment E contains the WGC response form.

As part of this consultation SEC Parties will be asked to provide their views on SECMP0041. The information provided will help us to better understand the benefits and drawbacks of the modification, shape the solution(s) and assist the Panel, the Change Board and/or the Authority in their determination.

Summary of SECMP0041

What is the issue?

The Proposer suggests that within the SEC governance framework, there is a disconnect between the views of SEC Parties on Modification Proposals (and the potential new obligations and costs imposed) and the votes of Change Board members. The current arrangements only allow SEC Parties to express a view on whether a Modification Proposal should be approved or rejected. Further, SEC Change Board Members are not bound by their SEC Party constituents' responses and can therefore vote in a different way to the views expressed in the MRC.

What is the Proposed Solution?

This modification seeks to introduce a mechanism for SEC Parties to vote on the outcome of Modification Proposals. It also looks to limit the decision-making activates of the Change Board and ensure it is only used where the industry cannot come to a majority decision.

Impacts – Proposed Solution

Party

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

System

There are no impacts on DCC Central Systems or Party interfacing systems.

Implementation Costs

The total estimated implementation cost to deliver SECMP0041 is limited approximately **£3,000** in SEC Administration effort.

Implementation Date

The Working Group recommends an implementation date of:

- **1st November 2018**, if a decision to approve is made on or before 18th October 2018; or

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- **28th February 2019**, if a decision to approved is made after 18th October 2018 but on or before 14th January 2019.

Working Group's views

The Working Group believes **by majority** that SECMP0041 will better facilitate the SEC Objectives and therefore believes that this Modification Proposal should be **approved**.

Where can you find further information?

A full description of the issue, solution(s), impacts, costs, implementation date and the Working Groups (WGs) views on the merits of SECMP0041 can be found in the DMR (Attachment A) and the solution diagrams (Attachment C).