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## Stage 03: Modification Report Consultation

# SECMP0018:

## Standard Electricity Distributor Configuration Settings

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### 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 unanimous view of the Working Group is that SECMP0018 should be approved.

### Impacts



- Suppliers;
- Electricity Network parties;
- Other SC Parties;
- DCC Systems;
- Smart metering Systems; and
- Party interfacing systems.

### Response Deadline



- This Consultation closes at 5pm on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2018.

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## About this Document

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

This document has five attachments:

- Attachment A contains the Final Modification Report (FMR) which provides a detailed explanation of the issue, solution, impacts, costs, implementation as well as the full Working Group and Panel discussions and conclusions;
- Attachment B contains the approved legal text changes to support this modification;
- Attachment C contains the solution design document to support this modification;
- Attachment D contains the responses received to the Working Group Consultation; and
- Attachment E contains the MRC 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 and assist the Change Board in its determination.

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## Summary of SECMP0018

### What is the issue?

Currently, ENPs are required to configure new ESMEs with appropriate 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 ESP's network. This process is expected to 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 configuration settings. ENPs have agreed a common set of configurations that should be set at installation. These settings would be captured in the GB Companion Specification (GBCS), thereby mandating Suppliers to ensure that procured ESMEs from Manufacturers contain the default settings. SECMP0018 will add a plain English table of the Standard Electricity Distributor Configuration Settings to GBCS.

### Impacts

#### 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 Panel has agreed 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 view

The Working Group believes **unanimously** that SECMP0018 better facilitates 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 and Panel views on the merits of SECMP0018 can be found in the FMR (Attachment A).

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