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Smarter Markets Project Update

1. Purpose

The SEC, along with other Codes, are providing resource support for Ofgem's Faster Switching Programme. This paper provides SEC parties with a monthly overview of the key activities on the Ofgem Switching Programme SME provided by SEC. The paper also covers other updates from the Programme that may be relevant to parties.

2. Ofgem Enactment Launch Event

On 24th July 2018, Ofgem hosted an event to launch the Enactment phase of the Switching Programme. The event was aimed at the previous Design Team members, DCC and Ofgem workstream attendees to bring people up to speed with the plans for the Enactment phase, as well as the governance for the phase (see appendix A).

The key activities for the Enactment phase include:

- The procurement activities by Ofgem and DCC;
- Regulatory design, which include both the transitional and enduring future regulations;
- The mobilisation for the DBT phase; and
- The detailed Central Switching Service (CSS) Design and Delivery plans.

It was indicated that there are delays in releasing the 'Left to Right' plan for the Design Build, and Test (DBT) phase. Ofgem further facilitated 'break out' sessions to discuss lessons learnt from the previous phases and actions which should be taken for the Enactment phase. The main improvements identified improvements were relating to communication. Ofgem are taking the identified issues away to workshop solutions.

3. Working Support to Ofgem

A sub-group with SMEs of existing codes and Gowlings WLG has started the drafting and reviewing the content of REC v2. This includes advising on parts of Ofgem's policy positions.

The majority of the effort this month has been on the SEC Panel Consultation response to the Ofgem Switching Programme consultation, as well as contributing to REC v2 drafting.

In line with the effort as set out above, a total of 11 days has been expended on the project by the SECAS SMEs.

4. Recommendations

The SEC Panel is requested to **NOTE** the contents of this paper.

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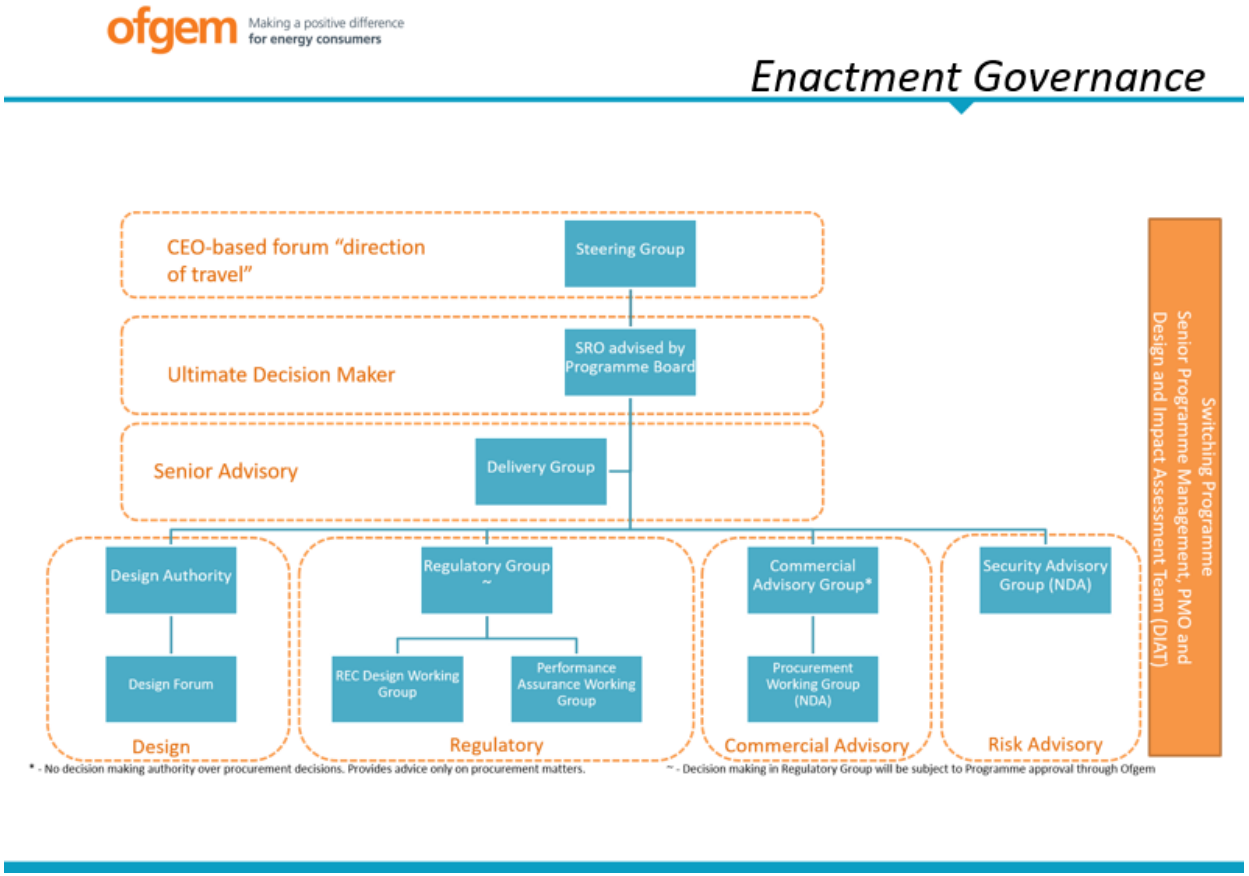
Appendix A: Enactment Governance