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Security Sub-Committee (SSC) Meeting Headlines

22nd August 2018, 10:00 – 16:00, Genserv Office, 8 Fenchurch Place,
London, EC3M 4AJ

SSC_61_2208 – SSC Meeting Headlines

1. Matters Arising

The following matters were discussed under Matters Arising:

- The SSC Chair informed the SSC that a SEC Modification had been raised to change the assessment cycles for Other Users (Verification User Security Assessments in 2nd year) and for Non-Domestic Suppliers;
- A Risk Assessment Workshop was proposed and agreed for Tuesday 25th September 2018; and
- A follow-up Anomaly Detection Threshold Workshop was proposed and agreed for Tuesday 16th October 2018.

2. Minutes and Actions Outstanding (For Decision)

The SCC noted that no comments were received for the Draft Minutes from the SSC meeting held on Wednesday, 8th August 2018, and the SSC **APPROVED** the Draft Minutes and the Confidential Draft Minutes as written.

All outstanding actions were marked as complete or on target for completion, with several updates provided under separate meeting agenda items

3. Full User Security Assessment - Other User 'A' (For Decision) (**RED**)

The Assurance Status for Other User 'A' was considered by the SSC. The agenda item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **AGREED** the Assurance Status for Other User 'A'.

4. Full User Security Assessment - Small Supplier 'BK' (For Decision) (**RED**)

The Assurance Status for Small Supplier 'BK' was considered by the SSC. The agenda item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **AGREED** the Assurance Status for Small Supplier 'BK'.

5. Full User Security Assessment – Small Supplier 'BN' (For Decision) (**RED**)

The Assurance Status for Small Supplier 'BN' was considered by the SSC. The agenda item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **AGREED** the Assurance Status for Small Supplier 'BN'.

6. Full User Security Assessment - Small Supplier 'X' (For Decision) (RED)

The Assurance Status for Small Supplier 'X' was considered by the SSC. The agenda item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **AGREED** the Assurance Status for Small Supplier 'X'.

7. Full User Security Assessment - Small Supplier 'BE' (For Decision) (RED)

The Assurance Status for Small Supplier 'BE' was considered by the SSC. The agenda item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **AGREED** the Assurance Status for Small Supplier 'BE'.

8. Director's Letter Approval - Small Supplier 'AK' (For Decision) (RED)

The Director's Letter provided by Small Supplier 'AK' was considered by the SSC. The agenda item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **APPROVED** the Director's Letter provided by Small Supplier 'AK'.

9. Change Status Report- August 2018 and SECMP0009 'Centralised Firmware Library' (For Decision) (GREEN)

The SSC were provided a monthly Change Status Report that provides an overview of the status and progress of current Modification Proposals. The SSC **NOTED** the report.

The SSC Chair informed the SSC that the Modification Report for [SECMP0009 'Centralised Firmware Library'](#) had been issued for consultation, and that of the three security concerns that had been raised by the SSC on 25th July 2018, two had not been mentioned in the report, and the third had been rejected by the Working Group.

The SSC **AGREED** to formally respond to the Working Group Consultation.

10. Smart Metering Business Impact Levels (For Decision) (AMBER)

The SSC considered the Smart Metering Business Impact Levels (SMBILs) within the SSC Risk Register, which had been updated by the SSC Risk Assessment Provider for SSC approval. This agenda item was marked as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

11. SMETS1 Update (For Information) (RED)

The DCC provided the SSC with a SMETS1 update. The agenda item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes. However, the SSC agreed updates to the SMETS1 Security Architecture Document v1.1 that, in Section 4.1 will provide advice to Users and will be made available to SEC Parties at 'AMBER' (on a Need to Know basis).

The SSC **NOTED** the update.

12. SOC2 Validation Report (For Decision) (RED)

The SSC were presented with the SOC2 Validation Report. The agenda item was marked as **RED** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **NOTED** the report and **AGREED** to inform the SEC Panel that the SSC had reviewed the report and the remediation action plan.

13. SECMP0057 'Users to notify SSC of a second or subsequent User System' Working Group Session (For Discussion) (GREEN)

The SSC took part in a Working Group session for [SECMP0057 'Users to notify SSC of a second and subsequent User System'](#) to discuss the Draft Legal Text, Terms of Reference and Panel feedback from the Initial Modification Report.

14. Firmware Rollout Performance (For Discussion) (AMBER)

The TABASC Chair provided the SSC with an update on the Firmware Rollout performance in the north and south. The agenda item was marked as **AMBER** and therefore recorded in the Confidential Minutes.

The SSC **NOTED** the update.

15. Standing Agenda Items (For Information)

The SSC were provided with updates on the following standing agenda items:

- Anomaly Detection Update;
- Shared Resource Notifications; and
- Security Incident and Vulnerabilities.

Any Other Business (AOB)

The SSC Chair informed the SSC that updates had been made to the Security Controls Framework Part 1 and 2 to reflect the changes in SEC 5.21, and requested Members to review the amendments and provide comments within five Working Days.

A Member raised a matter relating to a DCC maintenance refresh that occurred on 28th July 2018, that caused an outage for some Users. The Member believed that the refresh contained security changes that had not been notified to the SSC and that communication from the DCC was not sufficient. The DCC noted that it would investigate the incident.

There were no additional items of AOB and the SSC Chair closed the meeting.

Next Meeting: 12th September 2018