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Dear Duncan,

Request to change the implementation dates for SECMP0006, SECMP0008 and SECMP0048

At its meeting on 14th September 2018, the SEC Panel agreed to request that the implementation dates for SEC Modification Proposals [SECMP0006 'Specifying the number of digits for device display'](#), [SECMP0008 'Provision of a DCC Alert \(formerly Service Request Error Response\) for Quarantined Service Requests'](#) and [SECMP0048 'Extension of SMETS gas Valve exemption to include Large Gas Meters installed at Domestic Premises'](#) be deferred from their current dates. The Panel is requesting that SECMP0008 be implemented on 1st November 2018 and that SECMP0006 and SECMP0048 be implemented on 8th November 2018. This letter sets out the rationale for the Panel's requests and seeks the Authority's approval for these revised implementation dates.

SECMP0008 is currently scheduled to be implemented on 30th September 2018, alongside the previous date for the implementation of Release 2.0. SECMP0008 will require changes to DCC Systems, and DCC has incorporated these changes into the updates being made through Release 2.0. Following the delays to Release 2.0, the Panel believes that the implementation date for SECMP0008 should also be deferred in order to align the date the modification is implemented with the date the system changes will be released.

The Panel is recommending that SECMP0008 be implemented on 1st November 2018 as part of the November 2018 SEC Release. It notes that if the DCC System changes incorporated into Release 2.0 are released earlier then these would remain unused until the modification went live.

SECMP0006 is also currently scheduled to be implemented on 30th September 2018, alongside the previous date for the implementation of Release 2.0. It does not impact on DCC Systems but will require changes to SEC Schedule 9 'SME Technical Specification 2' (SMETS2). However, the version of SMETS2 due to go live as part of Release 2.0 (version 3.0) does not include the changes for SECMP0006. This is because SECMP0006 was undergoing European Commission (EC) Notification at the time BEIS designated SMETS2 version 3.0.

At its meeting in August 2018, the Technical Architecture and Business Architecture Sub-Committee (TABASC) considered the approach to implementing the changes for SECMP0006 into SMETS2. It

determined that a SMETS2 version 3.1 will be required to include the changes for SECMP0006, which the DCC Systems will need to be configured to accommodate.

Following this, DCC has investigated the most appropriate way for its systems to accommodate this new version of SMETS2. It has informed SECAS that a SMETS2 version 3.1 can be accommodated in its systems from 8th November 2018. The Panel therefore recommends that SECMP0006 be implemented on this date, so that the DCC Systems will be able to accommodate the new version of SMETS2 immediately upon implementation.

SECMP0048 is currently scheduled to be implemented on 1st November 2018 as part of the November 2018 SEC Release. As with SECMP0006, SECMP0048 does not impact on the DCC Systems but does require change to SMETS2, and as such will also require a version number change. To minimise the number of version uplifts for SMETS2, the Panel believes that SECMP0006 and SECMP0048 should be implemented together. As such, it recommends that the implementation date for SECMP0048 is also moved to 8th November 2018.

In accordance with SEC Section D10.5 'Subsequent Amendment to Implementation Timetable', the Panel therefore requests the Authority directs that the implementation date for SECMP0008 be revised to 1st November 2018 and that the implementation date for SECMP0006 and SECMP0048 be revised to 8th November 2018.

If you would like to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact myself or the SECAS team on 020 7090 7755 or SECAS@gemserv.com.

Yours sincerely,



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