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Stage 02: Working Group Consultation

SECMP0058:

Changes to the governance of the Self-Service Interface

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Summary

This modification seeks to remove the Self-Service Interface (SSI) Design Specifications from the SEC and include them in a new lower level document which is created and maintained by the DCC, with any future changes being consulted on and agreed by the SEC Panel. This will ensure that improvements can be implemented to the SSI in a timelier manner whilst also ensuring that the industry remain in control of what new functionality is deployed, along with the associated costs.

Working Group View



- The initial unanimous view of the Working Group is that SECMP0058 should be approved.

Impacts



- This modification will impact all users of the SSI.
- There are no impacts on DCC Central Systems or Party interfacing systems.

Response Deadline



- This consultation closes at 5pm on Friday 23rd November 2018.

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About this Document

This is the Working Group Consultation (WGC) for SECMP0058. This document provides a high-level summary of the issue, solutions, impacts and costs, implementation date and Working Group's views on the Modification Proposal;

This document has six attachments:

- Attachment A contains the Draft Modification Report (DMR) which provides a detailed explanation of the issue, solutions, impacts, costs, implementation as well as the full Working Group discussions and conclusions;
- Attachment B contains the draft legal text changes to support this modification;
- Attachment C contains the draft legal text changes to SEC Appendix AH;
- Attachment D contains the SSI Baseline Requirements Document;
- Attachment E contains the proposed SSI Governance Process;
- Attachment F contains the WGC response form.

As part of this consultation SEC Parties will be asked to provide their views on SECMP0058. The information provided will help us to better understand the benefits and drawbacks of the modification, shape the solutions and assist the Panel and the Change Board in their determination.



Summary of SECMP0058

What is the issue?

The DCC has received feedback from Users stating that, whilst the SSI is compliant in its current form, it has insufficient functionality to fully support them as effectively as required.

[SEC Appendix AH 'Self-Service Interface Design Specification'](#) currently sets out the detailed specifications for the SSI. The information set out in Appendix AH is specified at a level of detail which is very prescriptive, and which can only be changed by raising and progressing a SEC Modification. Due to this, the DCC is unable to make rapid changes to the SSI to improve Users ability to access DCC services, which is undermining the usefulness of the SSI over time as the needs of Users change.

What is the Proposed Solution?

This Modification seeks to remove the low-level detail and functional requirements from SEC Appendix AH and move these to a new specification document titled the SSI Baseline Requirements Document (Attachment D) which would be created and maintained by the DCC. The SSI Baseline Requirements Document will not be subject to the Section D Modifications Process and instead DCC will be able to make changes to the document following consultation with Parties, and with the agreement of the SEC Panel (or a Sub-Committee to which the Panel has formally delegated the required decision-making power).

Impacts – Proposed Solution

Party

This modification is expected to impact the DCC as the new SSI Baseline Requirements Document will need to be developed and maintained by the DCC.

There are no impacts of any other SEC Parties identified.

SEC Panel

Under this modification, the SEC Panel (or any delegated authority or Sub-Committee) will be given the power to approve changes to the new SSI Baseline Requirements Document. This means that the SEC Panel will have to review and consider any changes to this SSI document.

System

There are no system impacts anticipated for this modification.

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Implementation Costs

The total estimated implementation cost to deliver SECMP0058 is approximately £1,200. This total cost consists solely of SEC Administration effort.

Implementation Date

The Working Group is recommending an implementation date for SECMP0058 of:

- 28th February 2019, if a decision to approve is made on or before 14th February.
- or
- Ten Working Days following approval if a decision to approve is made after 14th February.

The February 2019 SEC Release is the earliest SEC Release that this modification could be implemented in. The Working Group as well as the Proposer are keen for this process to be implemented as soon as possible, due to the current interim approach to SSI changes running out and the need to move to an enduring approach.

Working Group's initial views

The Working Group initially believes **unanimously** that SECMP0058 does better facilitate 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, solutions, impacts, costs, implementation date and the Working Groups views on the merits of SECMP0058 can be found in the DMR (Attachment A).