



**Switching Programme and Retail Code
Consolidation: Proposed licence
modifications
DCC Response**

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Dear Rachel,

DCC welcomes the opportunity to respond to Ofgem's consultation on Modifications to DCC's Licence in relation to the Switching Programme.

Question 4.1: Do you agree with the proposed licence modifications as drafted in Appendix 7 for the Smart Communication Licence?

We agree with the proposed Smart Communication Licence modification, however, think a clarification could be made in the following sentence:

'15.4 (d) maintaining Interfaces for the secure, efficient and economical exchange of information with the Centralised Registration Service (with the specific Interfaces set out in the Retail Energy Code) that meet the communication standards as described in the Retail Energy Code...'

Through adding more detail to the REC, it would help clarify which systems will be interfacing with the applicable components of the CRS. This change also should be reflected in the General CRS Objective, in clause 15.5 AA (c). We would welcome working with Ofgem to that the ensure Interfaces with the CRS are accurately reflected in the REC.

We agree with the approach of detailing Interfaces with the applicable components of the Centralised Registration Service in the REC rather than in the Licence, as maintaining information in the REC will make changing the specifics of the Interfaces easier, should they need to be.

If you have any questions relating to our response, please do not hesitate to contact Milan Neergheen (Milan.Neergheen@smartdcc.co.uk) in the first instance, or me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'S. Stanger', with a stylized, cursive script.

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