

# **Review of Electricity Metering Arrangements**

MCFG

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# Background

- Meter Review Group (MRG) established in 1999 to facilitate the introduction of metering competition from April 2000;
- Under MRG the MAP/MAM (MEG) Expert Group was formed to consider MAP/MAM in more detail;
- MEG issued proposals in March 2000 following consultation with the industry.

# Industry Developments since March 2000

- April 2000 – freedom for Suppliers to choose Metering Service Providers;
- Summer 2000 - RGMA formed;
- March 2001 – OFGEM Metering Strategy Consultation paper published;
- May 2001 - MEG reconvened following discussion at RGMA Steering Group regarding harmonisation.

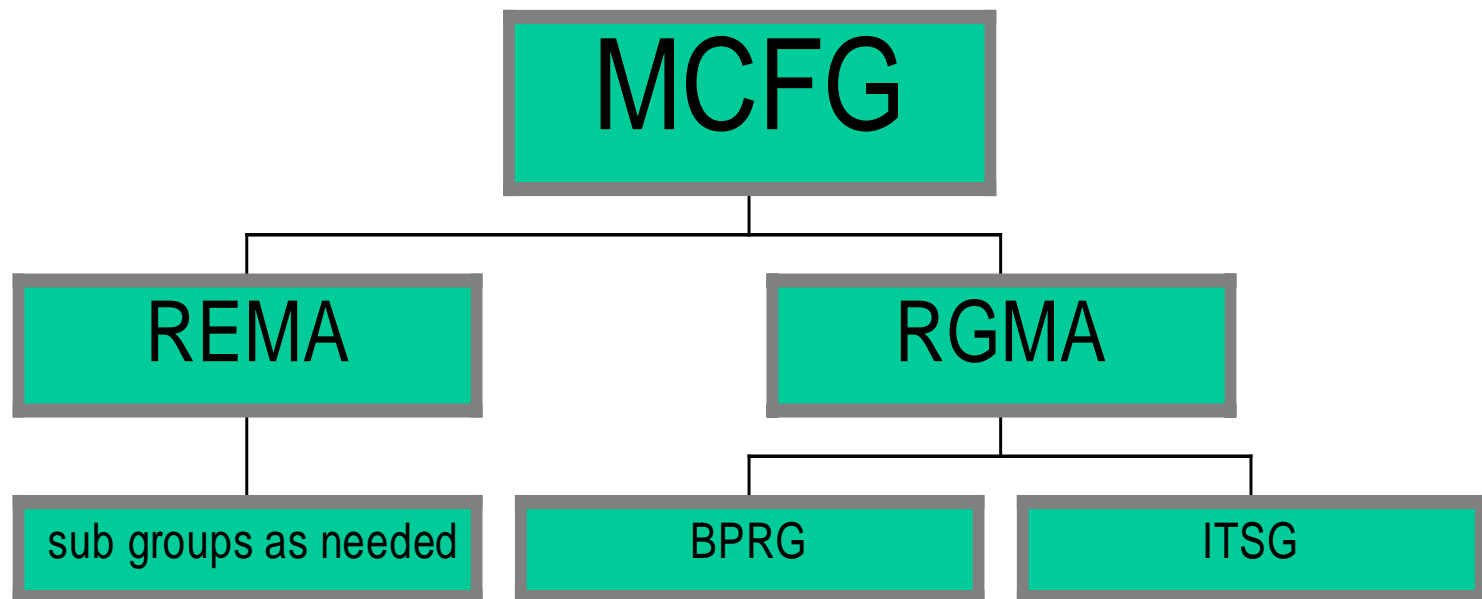
# MEG conclusions

- There is a significant overlap of issues between Gas and Electricity;
- Where practicable, harmonisation should be positively pursued;
- There is a need for a project to help deliver a practical and consistent solution in a timely manner;
- There is a recognition of the need for some form of governance.

# MEG Proposal

- Review of Electricity Metering Arrangements (“REMA”) group established with its own terms of reference;
- “REMA” group chaired by OFGEM;
- “REMA” group reports into common MCFG (with RGMA).

# Proposed structure



# Proposed “REMA” terms of reference

- Develop Industry solutions to support metering competition;
- Develop a project plan;
- Establish “Expert” groups as required to report in to REMA;
- Consult with RGMA and other groups.

# Next Steps

- Approach agreed by industry via MCFG to establish the REMA Steering Group;
- Seek nominations for Steering Group participants;
- First meeting of Steering Group to:
  - ratify terms of reference;
  - agree priorities;
  - mobilise Expert Group(s) to progress priorities.



# Views Requested

- Comments on approach to Ofgem via [`metering@ofgem.gov.uk`](mailto:metering@ofgem.gov.uk);
- Individual constituencies to consider nomination of representatives.