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Dear Andrew,

Re: SEC Panel's response to Ofgem's 'Moving to Reliable Next-Day Switching' consultation

We welcome the opportunity to respond to Ofgem's consultation on Moving to Reliable Next-Day Switching. We are supportive of Ofgem's plans to move towards faster switching for consumers which is one of the key benefits for consumers in the smart metering arrangements.

As the enduring governance entity of the Smart Energy Code (SEC), we are keen to ensure harmonisation of the governance arrangements. With the proposed centralisation of registration services, which will impact a number of industry codes, it is vital that the governance arrangements are set out clearly and at the forefront of design and development. Due to the complexities that a programme of this scale will bring, there may be a need for joint code working across a number of codes to ensure the realisation of the arrangements.

We note the timescales for the introduction of centralised registration services and the proposal for a Significant Code Review (SCR) within 2016 which may impact the SEC Modification Paths that are currently due to be enabled within the same timeframe. We therefore request further clarification on the impacts of a SCR on the SEC so that we can communicate effectively with SEC Parties.

We look forward to continuing our engagement with Ofgem on Smarter Markets and their proposals for centralised registration services. If you would like to discuss this response, please contact Jill Ashby in the first instance on 020 7090 7755 or SECAS@gemserv.com.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Davies', written in a cursive style.

Peter Davies
Panel Chair