

## The Retail Energy Code

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# Purpose, evolution and timelineFeatures

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## Transition requirements and RECCo establishment

#### V1.0 designated 1 Feb 2019;

Codifies transitional requirements to facilitate timely and effective implementation of new Central Switching Service (CSS) arrangements;

Establishes the RECCo:

 Procurement of REC Manager and performance assurance analytics can commence ahead of and be in place for go-live New switching arrangements

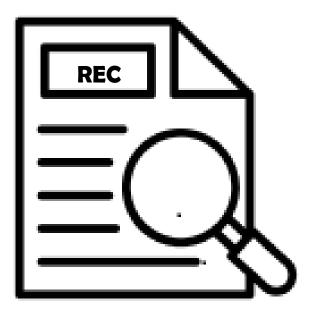
Spring 2019 – aim to have complete (paper based) drafting of new switching governance, to be maintained through Ofgem SCR process until systems testing proven – then REC v2.0 given effect;

Change post-baseline to be progressed as programme change requests, keeping code and systems design in synch.

### Consolidation

Separate SCR to complete nonswitching consolidation – enables all changes to be effected as a single point of cutover, avoiding prolonged and voluminous transitional modifications;

RECCo and/or REC Manager to develop digital transformation strategy – ideally at, or ASAP after v2.0 implementation.



Summer 2021\*

\* Currently contingent upon readiness of CSS systems to go-live



## Which features and principles are being embedded into the REC?



• Initially '2 become 1', Consolidation • Aiming to simplify

and future-proof, not simply lift and shift • May bring together governance of all existing 'BAU' touch points between industry and the consumer.

but expect other

agreements and codes to follow;

- Access • Being developed as a web-based and query-driven code; • Bottom up targeted application – matched to prevailing business model rather than licence held;
  - Non-licensees expected to become Parties and access REC data and services;
  - Propose to remove restrictions on who can propose change.



- Performance Ð omplianc assurance 'baked into' the drafting;
  - If it can't be
  - measured it's not a 'rule':
  - Focus on the
  - principle, not the mechanics;
  - Meaningful code sanctions for noncompliance.



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- ger Proactive and empowered, not solely upon instruction of Panel; • Responsible for scheduling and work Code and able to prioritise;
  - Expected to develop and analyse proposal 'offline', not rely on F2F industry meetings;
  - Resources to procure additional support;
  - Able to instigate and progress change.

