

Smart Energy Code Panel
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Dear Peter,

Authority decision to 'send back' Smart Energy Code (SEC) Modification Proposal (MP) 0025 'Electricity Network Party Access to Load Switching Information'

On 28 February 2019 the SEC Panel submitted a Final Modification Report (FMR) for SECMP 0025¹ to the Authority.

We have decided that we cannot form an opinion on SECMP0025 based on the FMR as submitted and that we should therefore send the proposal back to industry for further work.

We have identified the following deficiency in the FMR:

1. The cost information associated with the implementation of SECMP0025 does not fully explain how the post Pre-Integration Testing (PIT) costs would be accounted for by the Data Communications Company (DCC) if the timelines for the SMETS1 Enrolment and Adoption have shifted away from the planned November release date.

This uncertainty led many of the Change Board (CB) members to question not only what the final costs would be, but whether the modification's implementation date should be amended further into the future.

We therefore direct that additional steps are undertaken to address these concerns, and a revised FMR should include:

1. Clear and complete cost information regarding the post-PIT costs for SECMP0025. This should include detail of how/if these costs are affected by shifts in the SMETS1 Enrolment and Adoption timelines. Full information on how these costs will be accounted for by the DCC should also be fully explained and detailed.
2. Clear and complete information regarding the cost effects of alternate implementation dates for this modification for the CB to fully consider.

After addressing the issues discussed above, and revising the FMR accordingly, the SEC Panel should re-submit it to us for decision as soon as practicable.

¹ <https://smartenergycodecompany.co.uk/modifications/electricity-network-party-access-to-load-switching-information/>

Yours sincerely,

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Signed on behalf of the Authority and authorised for that purpose