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**SCHEDULE 1**

Interpretation Schedule for REC v1.1

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Domestic Suppliers	Mandatory
Non-Domestic Suppliers	Mandatory
Gas Transporters	Mandatory
Distribution Network Operators	Mandatory
DCC	Mandatory
Metering Equipment Managers	Mandatory
Non-Party REC Service Users	Mandatory

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## 1 General Interpretation

1.1 In this Code, unless the context requires otherwise, any reference to:

- (a) a “person” includes a reference to an individual, a body corporate, an association, a partnership or a Competent Authority;
- (b) the singular includes the plural, and vice versa;
- (c) a gender includes every gender;
- (d) a Clause is a reference to the clause of the main body of this Code which bears the relevant number;
- (e) a Paragraph is a reference to the paragraph of the REC Schedule in which such reference occurs;
- (f) a Condition is a reference to a licence condition in an Energy Licence (and, where applicable, is a reference to the standard licence conditions of that Energy Licence);
- (g) writing (or similar) includes all methods of reproducing words in a legible and non-transitory form (including email);
- (h) a document includes spreadsheets, models, digital repositories, and other graphical and/or lexical representations of data;
- (i) a day, week or month is a reference (respectively) to a calendar day, a week starting on a Monday, or a calendar month;
- (j) a time is a reference to that time in the UK;
- (k) any statute or statutory provision includes any subordinate legislation made under it, any provision which it has modified or re-enacted, and any provision which subsequently supersedes or re-enacts it (with or without modification);
- (l) an agreement, code, licence or other document is to such agreement, code, licence or other document as amended, supplemented, novated or replaced from time to time;
- (m) a Party shall include reference to that Party’s respective successors, and (as the context permits) reference to the respective persons to whom that Party may sub-contract or otherwise delegate its rights and/or obligations under this Code;

- (n) any Systems of a person shall include references to the Systems of that person's service providers and contractors to the extent relevant to this Code;
- (o) any premises of a Party shall include references to any premises owned or occupied by that Party and (as the context permits) by the respective persons to whom that Party may sub-contract or otherwise delegate its rights and/or obligations under this Code; and
- (p) a Competent Authority or other public organisation includes a reference to its successors, or to any organisation to which some or all of its functions and responsibilities have been transferred.

1.2 The headings in this Code are for ease of reference only and shall not affect its interpretation.

1.3 In this Code, the words preceding “include”, “including” or “in particular” are to be construed without limitation to the generality of the words following those expressions.

1.4 Except where expressly stated to the contrary, in the event of any conflict between the provisions of this Code, the following order of precedence shall apply: (a) the main body of this Agreement; (b) then the REC Schedules; and (c) then the Technical Specification.

1.5 Where no time period is specified for performance of any obligation under this Code, the obligation shall be performed as soon as reasonably practicable.

## **2 Responsibility for Persons who are not Parties**

2.1 Neither the Gas Retail Data Agent nor the CDSP are a Party under this Code. Where this Code places an obligation on the Gas Retail Data Agent or the CDSP, each Gas Transporter shall ensure that the Gas Retail Data Agent/CDSP shall comply with the obligations expressed to be placed on the Gas Retail Data Agent or CDSP. Each Gas Transporter shall be jointly and severally liable for any failure by the Gas Retail Data Agent/CDSP to comply with the obligations expressed to be placed on the Gas Retail Data Agent or the CDSP under this Code.

2.2 The Electricity Retail Data Agents are not Parties under this Code. Where this Code places an obligation on an Electricity Retail Data Agent, each Distribution Network Operator shall ensure that its Electricity Retail Data Agent shall comply with the obligations expressed to be placed on an Electricity Retail Data Agent. Where an Electricity Retail Data Agent acts for more than one Distribution Network Operator, each such Distribution Network Operator shall be jointly and severally liable for any failure by such Electricity Retail Data Agent to comply with the obligations expressed to be placed on the Electricity Retail Data Agents under this Code.

- 2.3 The REC Service Providers (other than the DCC in its role as provider of the Centralised Registration Service) are not a Party under this Code. Where this Code places an obligation on a REC Service Provider (other than the DCC), RECCo shall ensure that the REC Service Provider shall comply with such obligations (subject to Paragraph 2.4).
- 2.4 In respect of the period prior to CSS Go-Live, the Gas Transporters shall ensure that the Market Intelligence Agent for the Data Enquiry Service complies with the obligations placed on such Market Intelligence Agent by this Code.
- 2.5 With the exception of Metering Equipment Managers, Supplier Agents, Meter Asset Providers and Shippers are not obliged to become Parties under this Code, but do have a role in respect of the Transition Schedule. Where this Code places an obligation on one or more Supplier Agents (other than Metering Equipment Managers), Meter Asset Providers or Shippers under or in relation to the Transition Schedule, then:
- (a) in the case of obligations which apply by reference to a particular RMP, the Registered Supplier for that RMP shall ensure that the Shipper, Supplier Agents and Meter Asset Provider registered in respect of that RMP perform those obligations; and
  - (b) in the case of obligations which apply without reference to a particular RMP, each Energy Supplier shall ensure that the Shippers, Supplier Agents and Meter Asset Providers registered in respect of any or all the RMPs for which the Energy Supplier is the Registered Supplier at the relevant time perform those obligations.
- 2.6 In the case of Non-Party REC Service Users, the ability of that Non-Party REC Service User to enforce a right and the requirement on that Non-Party REC Service User to comply with an obligation arises under that Non-Party REC Service User's Access Agreement.

### 3 Definitions

- 3.1 In this Code, unless the context requires otherwise, the following words shall have the following meanings:

Term	Acronym	Definition
<b>Access Agreement</b>		means an agreement by which an organisation that is not a Party can access REC Services.
<b>Accession Agreement</b>		means an agreement by which a Party (other than the Original Parties) agrees to be bound by this Code, in the form set out in the Accession Agreement Schedule.

Term	Acronym	Definition
<b>Accession Agreement Schedule</b>		means REC Schedule 3.
<b>Address Management Service</b>		means the component of the Central Switching Service which undertakes activities to identify and maintain a matching REL Address for each RMP.
<b>Affected Party</b>		means a Party which is unable to carry out its obligations under this Code due to circumstance of Force Majeure.
<b>Affiliate</b>		means, in relation to a person, any group undertaking of that person from time to time (and the expression "group undertaking" shall have the meaning given to that expression in section 1161 of the Companies Act 2006).
<b>Alternative Change Proposal</b>		means, in respect of a Change Proposal, an alternative proposal raised in relation to that Change Proposal in accordance with Paragraph 17 of the Change Management Schedule.
<b>Authority</b>		means the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority as established under section 1 of the Utilities Act 2000.
<b>Authority Change Proposal</b>		means a Change Proposal submitted by the Authority, or a Party acting at the direction of the Authority.
<b>Authority-Approved Change</b>		means a Change Proposal which satisfies one or more of the criteria set out in Paragraph 9 of the Change Management Schedule.
<b>Balancing and Settlement Code</b>	BSC	means the Balancing and Settlement Code, as defined in the Electricity Supply Licences.
<b>BSCCo</b>		means the person defined as such in the Balancing and Settlement Code.
<b>Central Data Service Provider</b>	CDSP	means the 'Central Data Service Provider' appointed by Gas Transporters pursuant to standard special condition A15A (Central Data Service Provider) of the Gas Transporter Licences.

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<b>Central Gas Register</b>		means the register of Supply Meter Points maintained by the CDSP.
<b>Central Switching Service</b>	CSS	means the Systems and processes that are to be developed by (or the development of which will be procured by) the CSS Provider pursuant to the Transition Schedule in order to deliver the services which will become the Address Management Service and the Registration Service.
<b>Centralised Registration Service</b>		means the services to be provided pursuant to Condition 15 (Incorporation, delivery and provision of the Centralised Registration Service) of the DCC Licence, being the services to be provided under this Code by the CSS Provider (including as Core Systems Assurance Provider), CSS Systems Integrator, SI Provider and Switching Operator.
<b>Change Management Schedule</b>		means REC Schedule [TBC].
<b>Change Panel</b>		means the Sub-Committee of that name.
<b>Change Path</b>		means one of the two change paths followed by a Change Proposal, being either an Authority-Approved Change or a Self-Governance Change.
<b>Change Proposal</b>		means a proposal to change this Code made in accordance with Clause 11 of the main body of this Code.
<b>Change Proposal Plan</b>		means, in respect of a Change Proposal, a plan produced in accordance with Paragraph 9 of the Change Management Schedule.
<b>Change Register</b>		means the register established and maintained by the Code Manager which contains all current and past Change Proposals, as further described in Paragraph 4 of the Change Management Schedule.
<b>Code</b>		means this Retail Energy Code, including its REC Schedules and the Technical Specification.
<b>Code Administration Code of Practice</b>		means the document of that name as approved by the Authority from time to time.

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<b>Code Administration Code of Practice Principles</b>		means the principles set out as such in the Code Administration Code of Practice.
<b>Code Manager</b>		means the person described in Clause 7 of the main body of this Code.
<b>Company Governance Schedule</b>		means REC Schedule 4.
<b>Competent Authority</b>		means the Authority, and any local, regional, national or supra-national agency, authority, department, inspectorate, minister, ministry, official or public or statutory person having (in each case) jurisdiction over the relevant Party, this Code or its subject matter.
<b>Confidential Information</b>		means, in relation to a REC Service Provider or a REC Service User, all data or other information supplied or otherwise made available by that REC Service Provider or that REC Service User under or pursuant to this Code.
<b>Confirmed Energy Theft</b>		means that the holder of an Energy Licence (or person acting on their behalf) reasonably determines that, on the balance of probabilities and taking into account all of the evidence then available, one or more instances of Energy Theft has occurred. Such a determination may not be made unless sufficient evidence is held to substantiate the occurrence of Energy Theft, including (as a minimum): (a) an indication of theft via a desktop review of consumption levels; and (b) a report of a site visit where access was successful; and (c) photographic (or sketch) evidence of the theft, including illegal connection/bypass or meter tampering.
<b>Consumer</b>		means any person supplied (or seeking a supply) of Energy at an RMP (whether or not that person also exports or is seeking to export electricity at an RMP).
<b>Consumer Representative</b>		means the individual (if any) from time to time notified to the Code Manager by Citizens Advice, or (in the absence of the same) any individual as may be notified to the Code Manager by the Authority.

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<b>Contract Manager</b>		means, for each Party, the individual appointed as such from time to time under Clause 24 of the main body of this Code.
<b>Core Systems Assurance Provider</b>		means the Systems assurance function provided or procured by the CRS Provider.
<b>Core Systems Assurance Requirements</b>		means the document or documents produced by the CRS Provider, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>Cross Code Steering Group</b>		means the group of that name described in Paragraph 3 of the Change Management Schedule.
<b>CRS Provider</b>		means the DCC when performing the functions and services required by Condition 15 (Incorporation, delivery and provision of the Centralised Registration Service) of the DCC Licence.
<b>CRS Services IPR</b>		means the Intellectual Property Rights described as such in Clause 13 of the main body of this Code.
<b>CSS Data Migration Plan</b>		means the document produced by the CSS Provider reflecting the principles set out in the E2E Data Migration Plan, approved by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>CSS Go-Live Date</b>		means the time and date designated as such by the Authority.
<b>CSS Provider</b>		means the DCC when performing functions under or in relation to this Code (but always excluding its functions under the Smart Energy Code and its roles as CSS Systems Integrator, SI Provider and Switching Operator), including in respect of the Central Switching Service and including in effecting the design, build and testing of any System that will allow it to perform functions under this Code after the CSS Go-Live Date. This role is the CSS Procurer and Manager function as described in the E2E Data Migration Plan, E2E Integration Plan, E2E Post Implementation Plan, E2E Testing Plan, E2E Transition Plan: Implementation Approach and E2E Transition Plan: In-Flight Switches Approach.

Term	Acronym	Definition
<b>CSS Systems Integrator</b>		means the system integration function provided or procured by the DCC. The DCC shall be responsible for ensuring that the CSS Systems Integrator complies with the obligations imposed on the CSS Systems Integrator under this Code.
<b>CSS User</b>		means each organisation which is Qualified to use the CSS Service.
<b>Data Aggregator</b>	DA	means the person appointed by an Electricity Supplier to aggregate consumption data for an RMP as further described in the Balancing and Settlement Code.
<b>Data Collector</b>	DC	means the person appointed by an Electricity Supplier to collect and process meter readings for an RMP as further described in the Balancing and Settlement Code.
<b>Data Communications Company</b>	DCC	means the person holding the DCC Licence.
<b>Data Controller</b>		means 'controller' as defined in the Data Protection Legislation.
<b>Data Enquiry Service</b>	DES	means the service of that name pursuant to the UNC which allows authorised users to access Gas Retail Data.
<b>Data Migration and Transition Testing</b>		has the meaning given in Paragraph 4.25 of the Transition Schedule.
<b>Data Model</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>Data Processor</b>		means 'processor' as defined in the Data Protection Legislation.
<b>Data Protection Legislation</b>		means the Data Protection Act 2018; and EU Regulation 2016/679 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (which is known as the General Data Protection Regulation), as it applies in the UK.

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<b>Data Transfer Network</b>	DTN	has the meaning given to that expression in the MRA (in relation to electricity RMPs) or the SPAA (in relation to gas RMPs).
<b>Database Remedy Document</b>		means the document named "Data Improvement Address Database Remedy 1" designated by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>DCC Licence</b>		means the licences granted under section 6(1A) of the Electricity Act and section 7AB (2) of the Gas Act.
<b>Default Interest Rate</b>		means the interest rate provided for in the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998.
<b>Defaulting Party</b>		has the meaning given in Clause 16.1 of the main body of this Code.
<b>Defect Management Plan</b>		means the document or documents to be produced pursuant to the Transition Schedule and approved by the Authority, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>Design Baseline</b>		means the suite of documents, collectively known as Design Baseline 4, published by the Authority on 22 June 2018, as updated or superseded from time-to-time (including by the Technical Specification).
<b>Design Products</b>		means the design products designated as such by the Authority from time to time as amended from time to time.
<b>Design, Build and Test Phase</b>		means the period commencing pursuant to the Transition Schedule and ending on the CSS Go-Live Date.
<b>Disclose</b>		means disclose, reveal, report, publish or transfer. " <b>Disclosed</b> " and " <b>Disclosure</b> " shall be construed accordingly.
<b>Dispute Resolution Procedure Document</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.

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<b>Distribution Connection and Use of System Agreement</b>	DCUSA	means the agreement of that name maintained pursuant to the Electricity Distribution Licences.
<b>Distribution Network Operator</b>	DNO	means a person holding an Electricity Distribution Licence.
<b>Domestic Premises</b>		means a premises at which a supply of Energy is (or will be) taken wholly or mainly for domestic purposes, which is to be interpreted in accordance with the Energy Supply Licences.
<b>Domestic Supplier</b>		means an Energy Supplier which is authorised by its Energy Supply Licence to supply Domestic Premises.
<b>E2E Data Architecture and Data Governance Model</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>E2E Data Migration Plan</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedures for its amendments developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>E2E Design Products</b>		means the design products designated as such by the Authority from time to time which at the date of this Code include the E2E Non-Functional Requirements, E2E Solution Architecture, E2E Operational Choreography, E2E Service Management Strategy, E2E Detailed Design, and E2E Data Architecture and Data Governance Model.
<b>E2E Detailed Design</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>E2E Integration Plan</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.

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<b>E2E Non-Functional Requirements</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>E2E Operational Choreography</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>E2E Post Implementation Plan</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedures for its amendments developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>E2E Service Management Strategy</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>E2E Solution Architecture</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>E2E Testing Plan</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>E2E Transition Plan</b>		means the document or documents designated by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with its provisions.
<b>E2E Transition Plan: Implementation Approach</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>E2E Transition Plan: In-Flight Switches Approach</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>Electricity Act</b>		means the Electricity Act 1989.

<b>Term</b>	<b>Acronym</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>Electricity Central Online Enquiry Service</b>	ECOES	means the service of that name pursuant to the MRA which allows authorised users to access Electricity Retail Data.
<b>Electricity Distribution Licence</b>		means an electricity distribution licence under the Electricity Act.
<b>Electricity Retail Data</b>		means the technical and other data necessary to facilitate the supply by any Electricity Supplier to all Retail Energy Locations, as recorded in the Metering Point Administration Service.
<b>Electricity Retail Data Agent</b>		means a provider of a DNO's Metering Point Administration Service.
<b>Electricity Supplier</b>		means a person holding an Electricity Supply Licence.
<b>Electricity Supply Licence</b>		means an electricity supply licence under the Electricity Act.
<b>End-to-End Testing</b>		means the activity described as such in the E2E Testing Plan.
<b>Energy</b>		means gas and/or electricity.
<b>Energy Code</b>		means a multilateral code or agreement maintained pursuant to one or more of the Energy Licences.
<b>Energy Licence</b>		means a licence under the Electricity Act or the Gas Act.
<b>Energy Market Architecture Repository</b>		means the repository containing obligations, business rules and processes for this Code and data specifications for this Code and other Energy Codes.
<b>Energy Supplier</b>		means a person which is either or both an Electricity Supplier and/or a Gas Supplier.
<b>Energy Supply Licence</b>		means an Electricity Supply Licence or a Gas Supply Licence.

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<b>Energy Theft</b>		includes: (a) circumstances described in paragraphs 5(1) (Restoration of connection without consent) and 6(1)(a) (Damage to electrical plant etc) of schedule 6 to the Electricity Act (in so far as they relate to an electricity supplier; (b) circumstances described in paragraph 6(1)(b) (Damage to electrical plant etc) of schedule 6 to the Electricity Act; (c) circumstances described in paragraph 11(1) (Interference with meters) of schedule 7 to the Electricity Act; (d) circumstances described in paragraphs 10(1)(a) and 11(2) of schedule 2B to the Gas Act (in so far as they relate to a gas supplier); and (e) circumstances described in paragraphs 10(1)(b) and 10(1)(c) of schedule 2B to the Gas Act.
<b>Energy Theft Consolidation</b>		means the consolidation of certain energy-theft-related provisions from the DCUSA and the SPAA into this Code, at the time designated by the Authority as referred to in the Transition Schedule.
<b>Energy Theft Reduction Schedule</b>		means REC Schedule [TBC].
<b>Energy Theft Tip-Off Service</b>	ETTOS	is described in Annex 2 of the Energy Theft Reduction Schedule.
<b>ETTOS Contract</b>		means each of the contracts from time to time between RECCo and an ETTOS Service Provider for provision of the Energy Theft Tip-Off Service.
<b>ETTOS Liabilities</b>		means all costs, charges, expenses, professional fees, fines, damages and other liabilities incurred under or in connection with the Energy Theft Tip-Off Service (including the ETTOS Contract), whether in contract, tort (including negligence), for breach of statutory duty or otherwise.
<b>ETTOS Recipient</b>		means each Energy Supplier, each Gas Transporter and each Distribution Network Operator.
<b>ETTOS Service Data</b>		means the materials, information and other data received by ETTOS Recipients pursuant to the Energy Theft Tip-Off Service.

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<b>ETTOS Service Provider</b>		means the person or persons with which RECCo contracts from time to time for provision of the Energy Theft Tip-Off Service.
<b>Event of Default</b>		has the meaning given in Clause 16.1 of the main body of this Code.
<b>External Service Provider</b>		has the meaning given in the DCC Licence.
<b>External Service Provider Contract</b>		has the meaning given in the DCC Licence, but only insofar as the relevant contract relates to the procurement of the Centralised Registration Services.
<b>Final Change Report</b>		means the written report on a Change Proposal prepared by the Code Manager following industry consultation in accordance with Paragraph 19 of the Change Management Schedule.
<b>Financial Year</b>		means 1 April to 31 March (inclusive) each year.
<b>Force Majeure</b>		means, in respect of an Affected Party, any event or circumstance which is beyond the reasonable control of the Affected Party, but only to the extent such event or circumstance (or its consequences) could not have been prevented or avoided had the Affected Party acted in accordance with Good Industry Practice. Neither lack of funds nor strikes or other industrial disturbances affecting only the employees of the Affected Party and/or its contractors shall be interpreted as an event or circumstance beyond the Affected Party's control.
<b>Gas Act</b>		means the Gas Act 1986.
<b>Gas Retail Data</b>		means the technical and other data necessary to facilitate the supply by any Gas Supplier (and shipping by its Shipper) to all Retail Energy Locations, as recorded in UK Link.
<b>Gas Retail Data Agent</b>		means the 'Central Data Service Provider' appointed by Gas Transporters pursuant to standard special condition A15A (Central Data Service Provider) of the Gas Transporter Licences.
<b>Gas Supplier</b>		means a person holding a Gas Supply Licence.

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<b>Gas Supply Licence</b>		means a gas supply licence under the Gas Act.
<b>Gas Transporter</b>	GT	means a person holding a Gas Transporter Licence which requires that person to become a party to this Code.
<b>Gas Transporter Licence</b>		means a gas transporter licence under the Gas Act.
<b>Good Industry Practice</b>		means, in respect of a person, the exercise of that degree of skill, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced organisation engaged in a similar type of undertaking as that person under the same or similar circumstances.
<b>Independent Gas Transporter Uniform Network Code</b>	IGT UNC	means the code of that name established under the Gas Transporter Licences.
<b>Individual Programme Plan</b>		has the meaning given in Paragraph 2.5 of the Transition Schedule.
<b>In-Flight Switch</b>		means a Switch defined as such under the In-Flight Switches Implementation Plan.
<b>In-Flight Switches Implementation Plan</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with its the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>Integration Help Desk</b>		means the help desk facility to be made available by the SI Provider for testing and issue resolution purposes as further described in the E2E Integration Plan and SI Requirements Document.
<b>Integration Memorandum of Understanding</b>		means a non-binding document to be prepared in accordance with the E2E Integration Plan and approved by the Authority which will set out ways in which the CSS Provider, each other Switching Data Service Provider and the SI Provider will work together to support systems and service integration testing required by the E2E Integration Plan.

Term	Acronym	Definition
<b>Intellectual Property Rights</b>		means patents, trademarks, trade names, service marks, rights in designs, copyright (including rights in computer software), logos, rights in internet domain names, and moral rights, database rights, rights in know-how, and other intellectual property rights (in each case, whether registered or unregistered or subject to an application for registration, and includes any and all rights or forms of protection having equivalent or similar effect anywhere in the world).
<b>Interfaces</b>		means those System components and interfaces required to enable a User to connect to the Central Switching Service in accordance with this Code.
<b>Interfacing System</b>		means those System components and interfaces required to enable a User to access the Central Switching Service, and to send data to and receive data from the Central Switching Service, in accordance with this Code; but excluding the System components and interfaces of Switching Data Service Providers.
<b>Interpretation Schedule</b>		means this REC Schedule 1.
<b>Large Supplier</b>		means an Energy Supplier which, at the time it is necessary to assess its status, supplies electricity and/or gas to more than 250,000 RMPs.
<b>Law</b>		means any law (including the common law), statute, statutory instrument, regulation, instruction, direction, rule, condition or requirement (in each case) of any Competent Authority (or of any authorisation, licence, consent, permit or approval of any Competent Authority).
<b>Liability</b>		includes any loss, liability, damages, costs (including legal costs), expenses and claims.
<b>Licensed Party Assurance Provider</b>		means the assurance function provided or procured by the Authority to provide assurance on the activities of Suppliers, Shippers, Gas Transporters, and Electricity Distribution Network Operators.
<b>Live Proving</b>		has the meaning given in Paragraph 4.27 of the Transition Schedule.
<b>Mandatory</b>		means, in respect of a REC Schedule and a Party Category, that compliance with the REC Schedule is mandatory for Parties in that Party Category, as further described in Clause 4 of the main body of this Code.

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<b>Market Exit Schedule</b>		means REC Schedule [TBC].
<b>Market Intelligence Agent</b>	MIS-DES MIS-ECOES	means the person which provides DES or ECOES.
<b>Master Registration Agreement</b>	MRA	means the Master Registration Agreement referred to in the Electricity Supply Licences.
<b>Meter Asset Provider</b>	MAP	means the person that makes the Metering Equipment Assets for an RMP available for use by the Registered Supplier and the Consumer.
<b>Meter Point</b>		is the generic term used to refer to a Metering Point or a Supply Meter Point.
<b>Metering Point Administration Service</b>	MPAS	means the service of that name which each DNO is required to provide under its Electricity Distribution Licence.
<b>Metering Equipment Asset</b>		means a meter and associated devices utilised in Energy measurement, data storage, communications or ancillary functions (including data display and load management).
<b>Metering Equipment Manager</b>	MEM	means, as applicable, either: (a) for electricity, the 'Meter Operator Agent' appointed by an Electricity Supplier under the BSC; or (b) for gas, the 'Meter Asset Manager' appointed by the Gas Supplier under the SPAA.
<b>Metering Point</b>		means the point at which an electricity service enters or exits a Location, as further described in the MRA.
<b>MRA Service Company</b>	MRASCo	means the person responsible under the MRA for providing ECOES.
<b>New Party</b>		means a person that has agreed to be bound by this Code in accordance with an Accession Agreement.
<b>Nominations Committee</b>		means the Sub-Committee of that name established by the REC Board for the purposes described in Clause 5 of the main body of this Code.

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<b>Non-Domestic Premises</b>		means a premises at which a supply of Energy is (or will be) taken wholly or mainly for non-domestic purposes, which is to be interpreted in accordance with the Energy Supply Licences.
<b>Non-Domestic Supplier</b>		means an Energy Supplier which is not authorised by its Energy Supply Licence to supply Domestic Premises.
<b>Operational Contacts</b>		means one or more individuals selected to manage the operational issues on behalf of each Party, as further described in Clause 24 of the main body of this Code.
<b>Operational Testing</b>		has the meaning given in Paragraph 4.26 of the Transition Schedule.
<b>Original Accession Agreement</b>		means the agreement equivalent to an Accession Agreement, in the form designated by the Authority.
<b>Original Party</b>		means a person that agreed to be bound by this Code in accordance with the Original Accession Agreement.
<b>PAB Chair</b>		means the chairperson of the REC PAB.
<b>PAB Secretariat</b>		means the administration support function for the RC PAB provided or procured by RECCo.
<b>PAB Terms of Reference</b>		means the terms of reference for the REC PAB from time to time.
<b>Party</b>		means, from time to time, an Original Party or a New Party that has not at that time ceased to be a Party in accordance with Clause 17 of the main body of this Code.
<b>Party Category</b>		means one of the following categories of Party: (a) the DCC; (b) Domestic Suppliers; (c) Non-Domestic Suppliers; (d) Gas Transporters; and (e) Distribution Network Operators.
<b>Party Details</b>		means, for each Party, its name, jurisdiction of incorporation (if applicable), company number (if applicable), addresses for receipt of notices, Contract Manager, and (if it is resident or incorporated outside of the UK) an address in the UK for service of process.

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<b>Performance Assurance Operating Plan</b>		means the REC PAB's operating plan setting set out the REC PAB's menu of Performance Assurance Techniques.
<b>Performance Assurance Schedule</b>		means REC Schedule [TBC].
<b>Performance Assurance Techniques</b>		means the performance assurance techniques developed and implemented by the REC PAB under the Performance Assurance Schedule.
<b>Performance Level</b>		means the performance level required under the Performance Assurance Schedule.
<b>Performance Standards</b>		means the same as Performance Level.
<b>Personal Data</b>		means personal data as defined by the Data Protection Legislation.
<b>Post Implementation Period</b>		means the period commencing on the CSS Go-Live Date and ending on the Steady State Commencement Date.
<b>Pre-Integration Testing</b>	PIT	means the testing described in Paragraph 4.13 of the Transition Schedule.
<b>Preliminary Change Report</b>		means the written report on a Change Proposal prepared by the Code Manager in accordance with Paragraph 18 of the Change Management Schedule.
<b>Production Interface</b>		means the permanent interface that will be used in the live environment (and staging during the transition process) during the Design, Build and Test Phase.
<b>Programme Co-ordinator</b>		means the person appointed as such by the Authority from time to time.
<b>Programme Co-ordinator Requirements Document</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.

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<b>Programme Management and Reporting Framework</b>		means the management and performance framework produced by the SI Provider from time to time.
<b>Programme Plan</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.
<b>Programme Systems</b>		means any System produced by a Testing Participant which is necessary for that Testing Participant to participate in the arrangements created by the Switching Programme after the CSS Go-Live Date.
<b>Proposer</b>		means a person who submits a Change Proposal.
<b>Qualification and Maintenance Schedule</b>		means REC Schedule [TBC].
<b>Qualified</b>		means, for a REC Service, that a Party or an organisation which has entered into an Access Agreement has successfully qualified (and remains qualified) to use that REC Service under the Qualification and Maintenance Schedule.
<b>REC Baseline</b>		The REC Baseline Statement is a list of all the [items/documents] that comprise the REC. It lists the current version relevant to the process, the effective date, and the responsible committee(s).
<b>REC Board</b>		means the board of directors for RECCo.
<b>REC Board Chair</b>		means the individual from time to time selected to undertake that role in accordance with Clause 5 of the main body of this Code.
<b>REC Board Members</b>		means the individuals who comprise the REC Board, as further described in Clause 5 of the main body of this Code.
<b>REC Materials</b>		means the materials described in Clause 13.1 of the main body of this Code.

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<b>REC Objectives</b>		means the objectives set out as such in condition 11B of the Electricity Supply Licences and condition 11 of the Gas Supply Licences.
<b>REC Panel</b>		means the panel established as such under Clause 5 of the main body of this Code.
<b>REC Performance Assurance Board</b>	REC PAB	means the performance assurance board for this Code, as from time to time established under Clause 15 of the main body of this Code (which is a Sub-Committee).
<b>REC Portal</b>		means the website for this Code maintained by the Code Manager.
<b>REC Schedule</b>		means a schedule forming part of this Code.
<b>REC Service</b>		means each of the services provided pursuant to this Code, as described in the Service Definitions.
<b>REC Service Provider</b>		means the provider of each REC Service.
<b>REC Service User</b>		means in respect of each REC Service, either: (a) a Party which has become Qualified for that REC Service under the Qualification and Maintenance Schedule; or (b) an organisation which is not a Party, that has entered into an Access Agreement permitting it to use that REC Service and that has become Qualified for that REC Service under the Qualification and Maintenance Schedule.
<b>RECCo</b>		means the company established under Clause 6 of the main body of this Code.
<b>RECCo Services IPR</b>		means the Intellectual Property Rights described as such in Clause 13 of the main body of this Code.
<b>Recoverable Costs</b>		means the costs which RECCo is entitled to recover under Clause 8 of the main body of this Code].

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<b>Registered Supplier</b>		means, in respect of an RMP and at any time, the Energy Supplier recorded against that RMP in the relevant Switching Data Service at that time with an active registration status (or, in respect of a period of time, the Energy Supplier that had, has or will have an active registration status in respect of that RMP during that period).
<b>Registrable Measurement Point</b>	RMP	means a Meter Point.
<b>Registration Service</b>		means the component of the Central Switching Service which records data related to Switches and manages Switches.
<b>Registrations</b>		means the record in the Central Switching Service for each RMP identifying the Energy Supplier (and, in the case of a gas RMP, the Shipper) which is registered in respect of that RMP, and the Registration Status of each such registration.
<b>Related Undertaking</b>		has the meaning given in the DCC Licence.
<b>Responsible Committee</b>		is described in Paragraph 2.2 of the Change Management Schedule and set out in Appendix 1 of the Change Management Schedule.
<b>Retail Code Consolidation</b>		means the consolidation of provisions from the MRA and the SPAA and certain provisions from other Energy Codes into this Code, at the time designated by the Authority as referred to in the Transition Schedule.
<b>Retail Energy Location</b>	REL	means a Location to which Energy is delivered via an RMP, and/or from which electricity is exported via an RMP.
<b>Retail Energy Location (Welsh) Address</b>	REL (W) Address	means, for RMPs in Wales, the Welsh-language version of the Retail Energy Location Address.

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<b>Retail Energy Location Address</b>	REL Address	means the address (or other spatial reference) of each Retail Energy Location, as created and maintained by the CSS Provider. For RMPs in Wales, references to the Retail Energy Location Address include the REL (W) Address, unless the context requires otherwise.
<b>Retail Energy Location Data</b>		means the dataset relating to premises address data to be developed by the CSS Provider using the Address Management Service.
<b>Self-Governance Change</b>		means a Change Proposal which is not an Authority-Approved Change.
<b>Service Definition</b>		means each document of that name forming part of the Technical Specification.
<b>Services Data</b>		means the Intellectual Property Rights described in Clause 13 of the main body of this Code.
<b>Shipper</b>		means a person holding a Shipper Licence.
<b>Shipper Licence</b>		means a gas shipper licence under the Gas Act.
<b>SI Provider</b>		means the system integration function provided or procured by the DCC. The DCC shall be responsible for ensuring that the SI Provider complies with the obligations imposed on the SI Provider under this Code.
<b>SI Requirements Document</b>		means the document or documents designated as such by the Authority from time to time, as amended from time to time in accordance with the procedure for its amendment developed under the Switching Programme.

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<b>Significant Code Review</b>		<p>means a review of one or more matters by the Authority which the Authority considers is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) related to this Code (whether on its own or together with other Energy Codes); and</li> <li>(b) likely to be of significance in relation to the Authority’s principal objective and/or general duties (as set out in section 3A of the Electricity Act and section 4AA of the Gas Act), statutory functions and/or relevant obligations arising under Law,</li> </ul> <p>and concerning which the Authority has issued a notice that the review will constitute a significant code review.</p>
<b>Significant Code Review Phase</b>		<p>means, in respect of each Significant Code Review, the period from the date on which the Authority issues the notice stating that the matter is to constitute a Significant Code Review or proposes an Authority Change Proposal, and ending on the earlier of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the date on which the Authority, or a person at the direction of the Authority, submits a Change Proposal in respect of any changes arising out of a Significant Code Review;</li> <li>(b) the date on which the Authority issues a conclusion that no change is required to this Code as a result of the Significant Code Review; or</li> <li>(c) the date 28 days after the date on which the Authority issues its conclusion document in respect of the Significant Code Review.</li> </ul>
<b>Smart Energy Code</b>	SEC	means the code of that name maintained pursuant to the DCC Licence.
<b>Smart Meter Comms Service</b>	CSP	means the communications services provided by the DCC pursuant to the Smart Energy Code to manage the transmission of commands and data between the DCC and Smart Meters.
<b>Smart Meter Data Service</b>	DSP	means the data services provided by the DCC pursuant to the Smart Energy Code to manage the transfer of service requests and data between DCC and service users.
<b>Steady State Commencement Date</b>		means the time and date designated by the Authority when all exit criteria have been met and handover to steady state governance has taken place.

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<b>Sub-Committee</b>		means a sub-committee of the REC Panel established from time to time in accordance with Clause 5 of the main body of this Code.
<b>Subject Matter Experts</b>		means the individuals or organisations contracted by RECCo and selected by the Code Manager for the purposes of analysing Change Proposals.
<b>Supplier Agent</b>		means a Data Aggregator, a Data Collector or a Meter Equipment Manager.
<b>Supply Meter Point</b>		means the point at which a gas service enters a Location, as further described in the UNC.
<b>Supply Point Administration Agreement</b>	SPAA	means the Supply Point Administration Agreement, as defined in the Gas Supply Licences.
<b>Switch</b>		means a change to the Registered Supplier for an RMP.
<b>Switching Data Services</b>		means each of the Central Switching Service, the UK Link Service, the Metering Point Administration Service, the Smart Meter Data Service, the Smart Meter Comms Service, the Electricity Central Online Enquiry Service and the Data Enquiry Service.
<b>Switching Data Service Providers</b>		means the CSS Provider, the DCC (in respect of the services provided under the Smart Energy Code), the Gas Retail Data Agent, the Electricity Retail Data Agents, and the Market Intelligence Agents.
<b>Switching Network</b>		means the communications networks and other Systems which are used to transfer data between Market Participants and the CSS Provider and between the CSS Provider and other Switching Data Service Providers, as further defined in the Technical Specification.
<b>Switching Operator</b>		means the DCC in performing the role of managing the co-ordination of the CSS Provider and the other Switching Data Service Providers, including the mechanisms for Users to report incidents and access service management support.

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<b>Switching Programme</b>		means the programme established by the Authority to implement new switching arrangements in retail energy markets.
<b>System</b>		means a system for generating, sending, receiving, storing (including for the purposes of back-up), manipulating or otherwise processing electronic communications, including all hardware, software, firmware and data associated with such activities.
<b>Systems Integration Testing</b>	SIT	means the testing described in Paragraph 4.16 of the Transition Schedule.
<b>Technical Specification</b>		means the technical documents to be developed pursuant to the Switching Programme and incorporated into this Code. No such technical documents will form part of this Code until formally incorporated into it.
<b>Test Data</b>		means data to be used for testing purposes during a Test Phase, as further described in the relevant Test Plan for that Test Phase.
<b>Test Environments</b>		means the testing environments as described in the E2E Testing Plan.
<b>Test Phase</b>		has the meaning given to that expression in Paragraph 4.1 of the Transition Schedule.
<b>Test Plan</b>		has the meaning given in Paragraph 4.3 of the Transition Schedule.
<b>Test Tools</b>		means the testing tools and simulators as described in the E2E Testing Plan.
<b>Testing Artefacts</b>		means the artefacts to be made available by the SI Provider for testing and issue resolution purposes as further described in the SI Requirements Document.
<b>Testing Participant</b>		means, in respect of each Test Phase, the Users required to participate in that Test Phase, or eligible to participate in that Test Phase and which elect to do so, as (in each case) further described in the Test Plan for that Test Phase.

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<b>Theft Detection Incentive Scheme</b>		is described in Annex 3 of the Energy Theft Reduction Schedule.
<b>Theft Estimation Methodology</b>		is a methodology for determining, for each instance of Energy Theft, the amount of gas or electricity which was the subject of such Energy Theft, established and maintained by the REC Board under the Energy Theft Reduction Schedule.
<b>Theft Reduction Strategy</b>		means a strategy designed to support Energy Suppliers in minimising Energy Theft, established and maintained by the REC Board under the Energy Theft Reduction Schedule.
<b>Theft Risk Assessment Service</b>	TRAS	is described in Annex 2 of the Energy Theft Reduction Schedule.
<b>Theft Target</b>		means the target number of Confirmed Energy Thefts to be identified by each Energy Supplier, to be determined in accordance with the Energy Theft Reduction Schedule.
<b>Theft Target Methodology</b>		is a methodology for determining Theft Targets, established and maintained by the REC Board under the Energy Theft Reduction Schedule.
<b>Third Party IPR</b>		means CRS Services IPR which is not owned by the DCC.
<b>Transition Schedule</b>		means REC Schedule 2.
<b>UK Link</b>		means the System used by the Gas Retail Data Agent in its capacity as such.
<b>UK Link Service</b>		means the service of providing UK Link.
<b>Uniform Network Code</b>	UNC	means the Uniform Network Code established under the Gas Transporter Licences.
<b>Urgent Change Proposal</b>		means a Change Proposal that should be treated as urgent in accordance with on the criteria for urgency published by the Authority from time to time.

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<b>User</b>		means each CSS User and each Switching Data Service Provider (other than the CSS Provider).
<b>User Entry Process Testing</b>		means the user entry process testing which Users must undertake before they can use the Central Switching Service, as described in the E2E Testing Plan.
<b>User Integration Testing</b>	UIT	means the testing described in Paragraph 4.19 of the Transition Schedule.
<b>Voluntary</b>		means, in respect of a REC Schedule and a Party Category, that the REC Schedule is not legally binding on Parties in that Party Category, as further described in Clause 4 of the main body of this Code.
<b>Working Day</b>	WD	means any day other than a Saturday, a Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday or a day that is a bank holiday in either or both England and Wales and/or Scotland within the meaning of the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971.