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Modification and Release Status Report – October 2017

1. Purpose

This document is the Modification and Release Status Report which provides information on the progress of SEC Modifications and Releases. This report covers the period between the **September 2017** and **October 2017** SEC Panel meetings.

Please note this month the DCC IA and PA timetable is included as Appendix A to this report.

2. Recommendations

The Panel are invited to agree the following as part of this report:

- **two-month extension** to the progression timetable for SECMP0023.

Further information on the required Panel decision can be found in Section 2 of this document.

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SECAS Team

6th October 2017

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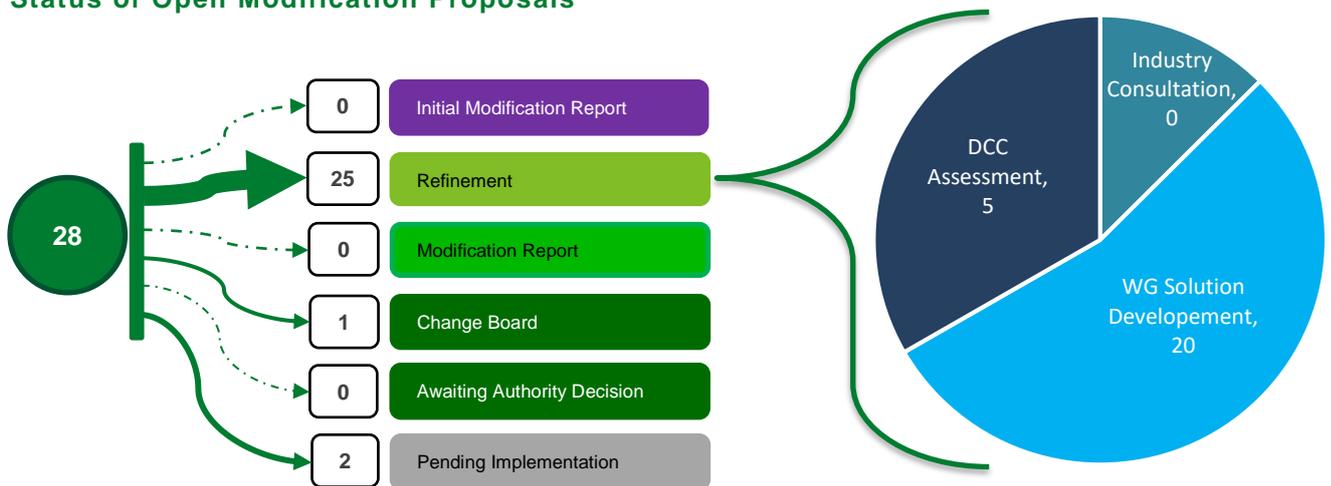
FOR Decision

1. Summary

This report provides a monthly update on the status and progress of Smart Energy Code (SEC) Modification Proposals and Releases, highlighting key information and decisions made. This report covers the period between the **September 2017** and **October 2017** SEC Panel meetings.

Further information on SEC Modification Proposals and Releases can be found on the [Modifications Register](#) and [About Releases](#) pages of our website.

Status of Open Modification Proposals



New Modification Proposals

No new modifications have been raised since the September 2017 Panel meeting.

Approvals and rejections

On 29th September 2017, the Authority **APPROVED** the following modifications:

- [SECMP0006 'Specifying the number of digits for device display' \(Subject to European Commission Notification\)](#)
- [SECMP0008 'Provision of a DCC Alert for Quarantined Service Requests'](#)

On 29th September 2017, the Authority **REJECTED** the following modifications:

- [SECMP0004 'Inclusion of Device Serial Number data item in the Smart Metering Inventory'](#)

Modification Reports

There are no modification reports being presented to the Panel this month.

Further information about the modifications set out in this summary can be found in **Section 3**.

2. Modification Timetables

This section provides information on modification progression timetables.

Timetable extensions

SECMP0023

This month we are requesting a timetable extension for [SECMP0023 'Correct Units of Measure for Uncontrolled Gas Flow Rate'](#).

There have been two previous extensions (totalling 6 months) for SECMP0023. The first extension was due to a delay in delivering the DCC Preliminary Assessment (PA) and the second due to a delay to the DCC Impact Assessment (IA).

When the Panel considered the first extension in February 2017 ([SECP 41 1002 09](#)) a Panel Member raised concerns around the timescales of SECMP0023. They noted the importance of the modification as it will ensure that a key piece of functionality remains usable. The Panel Member also highlighted that Parties raising modifications were concerned with how long it takes to progress changes.

The Panel agreed that due to the importance of SECMP0023, the DCC should take all steps necessary to ensure the delivery date for DCC Assessments does not move again.

Extension request

The timetable for this modification has been impacted due to a further delay in the delivery of the DCC Impact Assessment (IA). The revised timetable for SECMP0023 will see the Draft Modification Report (DMR) presented to the Panel at its meeting in January 2018:

		2017												2018					
		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Approved	Refinement	Green				Red (DCC IA)						Green	Blue (CB)	Purple (Authority Decision)		Grey			
Revised	Refinement	Green				Red (DCC IA)						Green		Green	Blue (CB)	Purple (Authority Decision)		Grey	

We invite the Panel to:

- **AGREE** the two-month extension to the SECMP0023 progression timetable; and
- **NOTE** the DMR will be presented to the Panel in January 2018.

Further information

For further information on the current state of modification progression timetables, please see the table set out in **Section 6**.

3. Highlights and Key Information

This section sets out highlights and key information on the progression of modifications during the period between the September and October 2017 Panel meetings.

SECMP0004

On the 23rd August 2017, the Change Board did not reach the majority required to recommend the approval of SECMP0004, and therefore recommended its rejection. Following the vote, SECAS issued the Final Modification Report to BEIS for Authority Determination.

The Authority considered that SECMP0004 will not better facilitate the achievement of SEC objectives (a) and (d), in a way which is compatible with the Transition Objective (X1.2). Further to this, the Authority noted the Change Board's recommendation that the modification be rejected, and found no reason to contradict that recommendation.

On 29th September 2017, the Authority **REJECTED** SECMP0004.

SECMP0006

On the 23rd August 2017, the Change Board recommended to the Authority that SECMP0006 be approved. Following the vote, SECAS issued the Final Modification Report to BEIS for Authority Determination.

On 29th September 2017, the Authority **APPROVED** SECMP0006, subject to European Commission (EC) Notification.

Notification Standstill Period

This modification must be notified in draft to the EC under the Technical Standards and Regulations Directive (TSRD – 2015/1535/EU). Therefore, the decision to approve the modification cannot come into effect before the end of the allocated standstill period.

The EC Notification standstill period lasts a minimum of three months, extending to between six and 18 months if actions need to be taken to resolve opinions or concerns raised by the EC or other Member States.

The three-month period allows other Member States and the EC to raise any concerns they have over the regulations having a negative impact on the single market by creating trade barriers. During this three-month period the regulations developed by the Member State cannot be adopted. If the Member State adopted the regulations without EC Notification, it would result in the regulations being unenforceable and could result in the Member State having to pay damages.

Should no concerns be raised at the end of the standstill period the Authority's decision to approve SECMP0006 will stand and the modification will be implemented on 28th June 2018.

SECMP0008

On the 23rd August 2017, the Change Board recommended to the Authority that SECMP0008 be approved. Following the vote, SECAS issued the Final Modification Report to BEIS for Authority Determination

On 29th September 2017, the Authority **APPROVED** SECMP0008. **SECMP0008 will therefore be implemented on 28th June 2018.**

4. Upcoming Meetings & Consultations

This section provides information on upcoming Working Group Meetings and Industry Consultations.

Workgroup Meetings

The following Workgroup Meetings are being held by SECAS during October and November 2017:

- [SECMP0027](#), [SECMP0028](#), [SECMP0029](#) and [SECMP0030](#): A joint WG meeting for these four modifications will be held on **10th October 2017**.
 - SECMP0027 – The WG will consider the Panel’s comments and determine how best to progress the modification.
 - SECMP0028 - The WG will consider the DCC System’s queueing capabilities and discuss what Service Requests should be prioritised. The WG will also consider what prioritisation means for these Service Requests and lower priority Service Requests.
 - SECMP0029 – The WG will consider the draft legal text changes.
 - SECMP0030 – The DCC will present contracted capacity and capacity profiles to the WG. This is to aid the WG’s consideration of the issue and to discuss potential solution options.
- [SECMP0034](#)
 - the second meeting for this modification will be held on **12th October 2017**. The Working Group will consider the draft legal text changes to the SEC, the draft Business Requirements and determine if the modification is ready for WG consultation.
- [SECMP0041](#)
 - the first meeting for this modification will be held on **18th October 2017**. At this meeting the Working Group will consider the issue and proposed solution for the first time.
- [SECMP0024](#)
 - the second meeting for this modification will be held on **2nd November 2017**. The WG will consider the updated strawman solution, solution requirements and additional information from the DCC.

Industry Consultations

- [SECMP0007](#) – a WG consultation for this modification is due to be issued **mid-October**. This consultation is to seek industry views on firmware updates on IHDs and PPMIDs and whether they believe this modification should continue to be progressed.
- [SECMP0002](#) – the WG consultation for this modification is due to be issued **late-October** and will seek industry views on the merits of the modification.
- [SECMP0023](#) – the WG consultation for this modification will be issued in **late-November** if the full DCC Impact Assessment is received by the end of October.

5. SEC Release Summary

This section only provides a summary of future SEC Releases which have targeted and/or approved modifications. Information on the scope of all SEC Releases can be found in the 'Release Scope' tab of the [Modifications Register](#).

Stand Alone Release (2017)		
Date	Mod	Status
15-Mar-17	0026	Implemented
01-Apr-17	0016	Implemented
11-May-17	0021	Implemented
10-May-17	0033	Implemented
12-Jul-17	0035	Implemented
14-Aug-17	0036	Implemented

2018		
Date	Mod	Status
28 th June 2018	0006	Approved ¹
	0008	Approved
	0018	Targeted

2019		
Date	Mod	Status
No earlier than 27 th June 2019	0002	TBC
	0005	TBC
	0006	TBC
	0007	TBC
	0009	TBC
	0010	TBC
	0012	TBC
	0013	TBC
	0015	TBC
	0018	TBC
	0019	TBC
	0023	TBC
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0029	TBC	
0030	TBC	

Recently approved modifications

On 29th September 2017 the Authority approved SECMP0006 and SECMP0008.

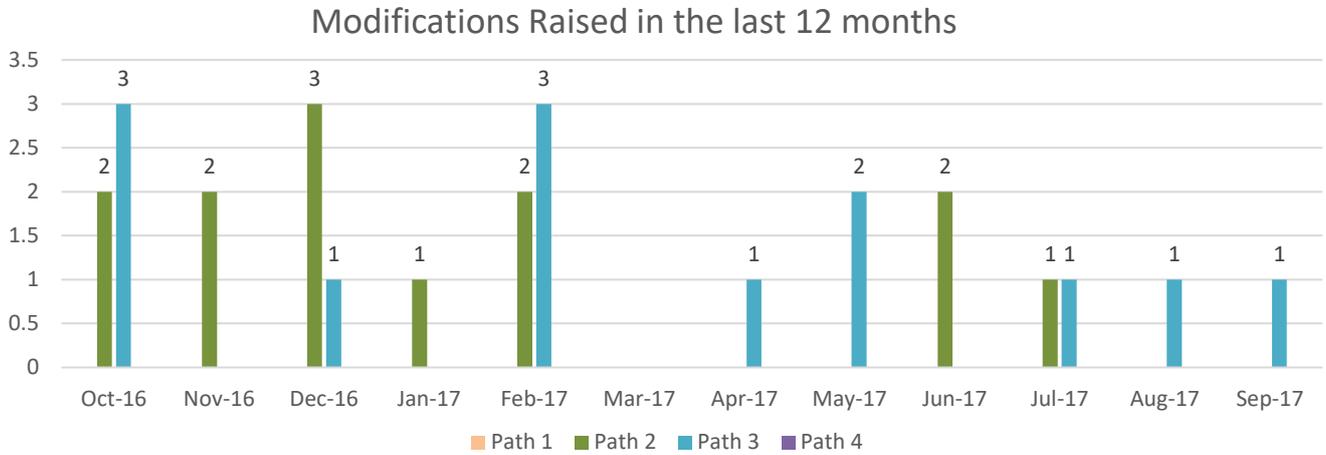
SECMP0008 will be implemented on 28th June 2018.

SECMP0006 was approved subject to EC Notification and (subject to concerns being raised as part of the EC Notification process) will be implemented on 28th June 2018.

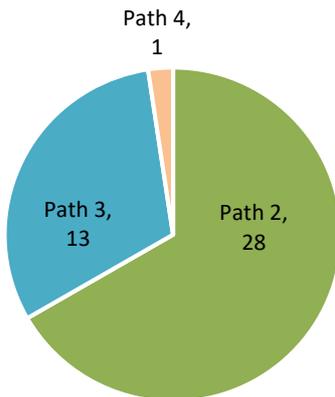
¹ SECMP0006 has been approved subject to EC Notification. Further information on this can be found in Section 3 of this report.

6. General SEC Modification Statistics

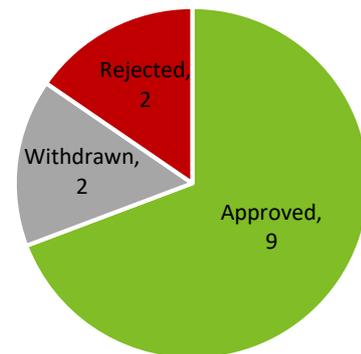
This section provides general information on activities under the SEC Modification processes.



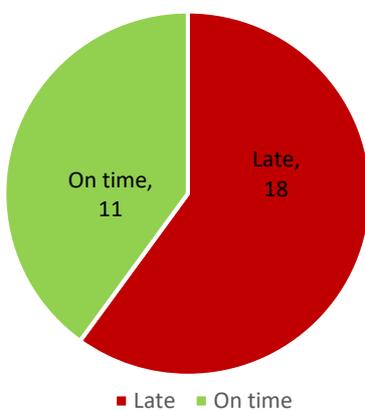
Modifications Raised (TD)



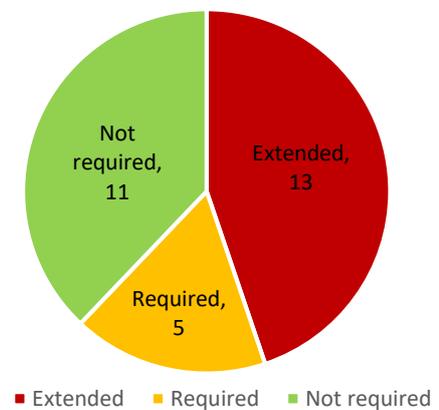
Modifications Closed (TD)



Open Modification Progression Timescales



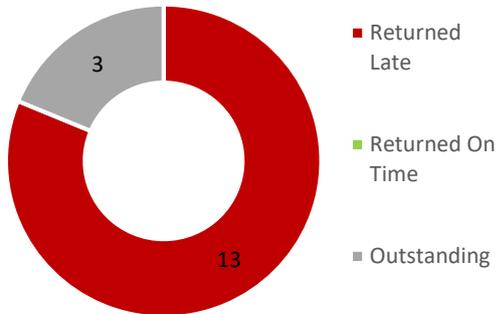
Timetable Extensions



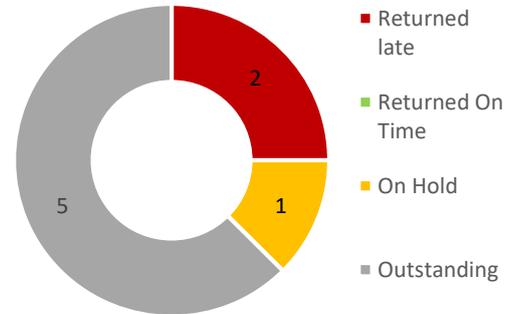
DCC Assessments

Below summarises the status of all DCC Preliminary Assessments (PAs) and Impact Assessments (IAs) to date.

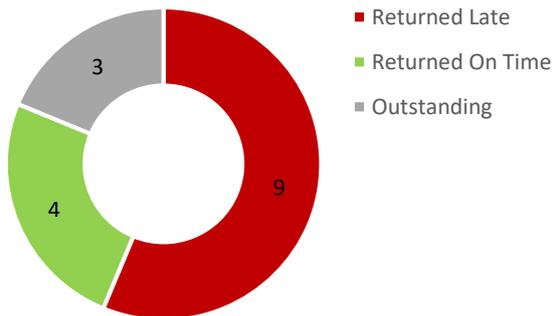
DCC PAs - Original Due Date



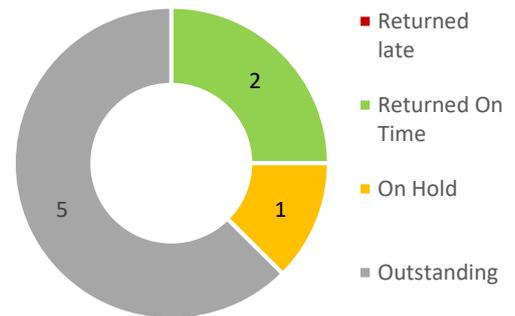
DCC IA - Original Due Date



DCC PAs - Revised Due Date



DCC IA - Revised Due Date



High level progression timetables

This following tables set out the current high-level progression timetables for each open modification. They also show whether each modification is progressing to time.

Please note that SECAS are currently assessing the impacts on modification progression timetables and will update the Panel in the coming months with more detailed information around the reasons why extensions have been required.

Mod Ref	Title	No Ext.	Ext. Length	Timeline	2016				2017				2018			
					Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
Open Modifications					Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec
SECMP02	Add New Command to Reset Debt Registers	3	11	Approved												
				Actual												
SECMP04	Inclusion of Device Serial Number data item in the Smart Metering Inventory	3	6	Approved												
				Actual												
SECMP05	Include Tariff and Register Labels in SMETS2 Devices	3	11	Approved												
				Actual												
SECMP06	Specifying the number of digits for device display	3	5	Approved												
				Actual												
SECMP07	Firmware updates to mandated HAN devices	4	13	Approved												
				Actual												
SECMP08	Provision of a DCC Alert (formerly Service Request Error Response) for Quarantined Service Requests	3	6	Approved												
				Actual												
SECMP09	Centralised Firmware Library	2	13	Approved												
				Actual												
SECMP10	Introduction of triage arrangements for Communication Hubs	4	19	Approved												
				Actual												
SECMP12	Channel selection to support Shared HAN solutions	3	19	Approved												
				Actual												
SECMP13	Smart meter device diagnostics and triage	3	14	Approved												
				Actual												
SECMP15	Add Timestamp to Read Instantaneous Prepay Values response message	4	16	Approved												
				Actual												

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					Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul -Sep	Oct -Dec	Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul -Sep	Oct -Dec	Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul -Sep	Oct -Dec	
Open Modifications																	
SECMP18	Standard Electricity Distributor Configuration Settings	3	9	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP19	ALCS Description Labels	3	10	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP23	Correct Units of Measure for Uncontrolled Gas Flow Rate	2	6	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP24	Enduring Approach to Communication Hub Firmware Management	1	6	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP25	Electricity Network Party Access to Load Switching Information	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP27	Amending Service Request Forecasting	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP28	Prioritising Service Requests	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP29	Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Testing Amendments	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP30	Demand Management of DCC Systems	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP31	Adding UTRN Functionality to SMETS	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP32	Prioritising Prepayment Customers in No WAN Situations	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													

Mod Ref	Title	No Ext.	Ext. Length	Timeline	2016				2017				2018				
					Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	Jan - Mar	Apr-Jun	Jul-Sep	Oct-Dec	
Open Modifications																	
SECMP34	Changes to the SEC Section D for DCC analysis provisions	1	3	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP36	Single User ID for Users acting in one or more User Roles	1	1	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP37	Pairing Local PPMIDs	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP38	Sending Commands via PPMIDs	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP39	Communication Hub returns notification mechanism for Other SEC Parties	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP40	Changes to how DCC Users schedule & carry out User Security Assessments after completion of the User Entry Process	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP41	Amending the Change Board decision making rules for Modification Proposals	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													
SECMP42	Amending the Change Board decision making rules for Modification Proposals	0	0	Approved													
				Actual													



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