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CROSS CODE STEERING GROUP
MEETING NOTES

MEETING	**CCSG_25_0217**
DATE	**17 February 2025, 11:00**
LOCATION	**By teleconference**

Attendee	Representing	Initials	Role
Glenn Sheern	REC Code Manager	GS	Committee Chair
Tim Newton	Smart Energy Code	TN	Committee Member
Talia Lattimore	IGT UNC	TL	Committee Member
Jenny Sarsfield	Data Integration Platform Manager	JS	Committee Member
Michelle Niits	NESO	MN	Committee Member
Richard Colwill	DCUSA	RC	Committee Member
Helen Bennett	Uniform Network Code	HB	Committee Member
Caroline Freimuller	REC Code Manager	CF	Committee Member
Harry Firth	REC Code Manager	HF	Secretariat

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1 INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees to the CCSG meeting. Apology was received from Lorna Mallon (LM). GS added that he would be acting as Chair on behalf of LM.

2 REVIEW OF NEW CHANGE PROPOSALS – ALL CODES

The Chair invited Members to provide an overview of the new Change Proposals raised under their Codes since the last meeting:

HB advised that there were no new UNC changes for the CCSG to consider. TL informed HB that the IGT UNC had discussed IGT UNC equivalent Modifications for three UNC Modifications at the February Workstream meeting and asked if this information could be forwarded to the

UNC Panel Chair. TL advised that the UNC changes in question were UNC 0854 - Revision of Virtual Last Resort User and Contingent Procurement of Supplier Demand Event Triggers, UNC 0884 - Extending the PC4 Read Submission Window and UNC 0887 - Facilitating Bi-Directional Connections Between IGT Pipelines and the NTS.

CF advised that there a number of REC Changes or Issues that had cross Code impacts on the BSC. CF added that they were keen to understand when the BSC equivalent changes for I0240 - Data alignment of meter information through MHHS Migration and R0243 - Transfer of Standard Settlement Configuration and Time Pattern Regime Data Item Ownership would be raised. CF added that they were also hoping to receive confirmation from BSC that there are no cross-Code impacts on the REC for P477 Data Protection Provisions for Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement.

CF advised that I0244 – C21 to be introduced into STIRG Document has been raised recently and expects this to become a joint change with DCUSA. They added that BSC needs to be made aware of this Change as although the data item in question is REC owned, it is used in data flows with BSC owned Scenario Variants. CF said they would send the draft legal text to DCUSA as soon as it was available.

CF and RC agreed to go through the impact assessment of the joint change of I0216 and DCP419 offline.

3 CROSS CODE CHANGE TRACKER

The Chair invited Members to provide updates on the Cross Code Change Tracker, the Chair updated the tracker on screen at the meeting and the latest version is available on the Portal.

4 OFGEM PRELIMINARY SDS AND CODE GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS CONSULTATION

The Chair advised that Ofgem had published their consultation on the preliminary Strategic Direction Statement and Code Governance Arrangements on 31 January. CF asked if Members would be interested in submitting a response to the consultation from the CCSG. Members responded that they were not interested in sending a direct consultation response from the CCSG but added that they would continue to consider and monitor the consultation and its outputs, particularly to any outputs directly concerning the CCSG.

5 POTENTIAL CHANGES TO THE CCSG TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Chair noted that the Data Transfer Service Agreement (DTSA) had asked to join the CCSG meetings, which Members agreed would be sensible considering their role. They asked if it was worth looking into the Terms of Reference (ToR), noting that currently every Code permitted to attend meetings is listed, but a change could be made to the ToR to allow all Codes to join, helping to futureproof future ToR changes as well. TL agreed.

TN asked why only the retail Codes were originally invited. The Chair responded that it was Ofgem's direction when they originally set up the CCSG. They suggested it may be worth reaching out directly to Ofgem to see if they are happy with the proposed widening of the ToR. TL asked if there was an update on having an Ofgem representative joining CCSG meetings. HF responded that LM had previously said they had reached out to Ofgem about this and it may be worth waiting for them to give an update.

The Chair suggested that pending Ofgem approval, the REC Code Manager could start working on amending the CCSG ToR with an aim of presenting these changes at a future CCSG meeting. The members agreed.

There was a discussion on how the work done in CCSG meetings could be publicised and utilised further as part of each Code's Change processes. RC added that the potential joint consultation between DCUSA and REC regarding I0216 and DCP419 will be a good example of cross-Code work with hopefully more to follow. RC and TN also agreed that some of the cross-Code impacts from certain Changes can sometimes only be determined at a certain point due to extenuating circumstances, such as a lengthy solution development period, which can cause problems and difficulties. TN suggested that the potential inclusion of all Codes within future CCSG meetings might help to mitigate this issue.

The Chair suggested that each Code include checkpoints within their Change processes that the CCSG have been consulted for any Change with a cross-Code impact. They added that these checkpoints could be at both when a Change is first raised, and when a solution has been fully developed. RC and TL both agreed that this would be useful, particularly to highlight that the CCSG has taken the time to look at the relevant Change proposals. The Chair suggested that each Member could take an action away to look at how CCSG discussions could be better documented within Code Change documents.

Action: Members to review how CCSG discussions could be better documented within their Code Change documents.

6 AOB

The Chair invited Members to provide AOB.

TN asked Members asked if Code Managers could attend and observe proceedings, following a request. Members agreed it was not appropriate as per the ToRs, and that only those directly responsible for changes should attend.

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