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CROSS CODE STEERING GROUP
MEETING NOTES

MEETING	**CCSG_26_0316**
DATE	**16 March 2026, 11:00**
LOCATION	**On Teams**

Attendee	Representing	Initials	Role
Caroline Freimuller	Retail Energy Code (REC)	CF	Committee Chair
Christopher Thompson	Smart Energy Code (SEC)	CT	Alternate Member
Jenny Sarsfield	Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC)	JS	Committee Member
Talia Lattimore	IGT Uniform Network Code (IGT UNC)	TL	Committee Member
Ben Mulcahy	Uniform Network Code (UNC)	BM	Committee Member
Stephanie Catwell	Data Transfer Services Agreement (DTSA)	SC	Committee Member
Sean Dryden-Woods	Data Integration Platform (DIP)	SDW	Committee Member
Dovile Kvedyte-Corrigan	Ofgem	DKC	Non-Voting Committee Member
Ife Garba	National Energy System Operator (NESO)	IG	Observer
Michelle Niits	National Energy System Operator (NESO)	MN	Observer
Edma Hyskaj	REC Code Manager	EH	Secretariat

1 INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees to the CCSG meeting. Apologies were received from Tim Newton, and his alternate Christopher Thompson was present to update CCSG of any SEC changes.

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. New Change Proposals were flagged under the next agenda item.

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.

The Chair provided the following updates on REC Changes:

- R0266 – REC Data Specification Clarifications – Approved by the Metering Expert Panel on 11 March 2026. P441 Modification had also been approved on 12 March 2026 and both Change Proposals sent to the Authority for decision.
- I0231 – Shared Sites in Electricity Enquiry Service (EES) –This Change Proposal has been withdrawn and will be re-raised when the Proposer (Elexon) wishes to progress it, which is expected to be in 2027.
- R0253 – Theft – DNO/Networks not providing photos – Approved for implementation on 06 November 2026.
- I0303 – Potential Consumer detriment for Smart Economy 7 – The Chair flagged changes to I0303 for potential interest. Out for a joint Information Request (IR) with I0273 – Sharing of SSC and TPR Information for MHHS Smart and Advanced Meters. I0303 will now be moved to be resolved and explored under I0273 instead of having two separate issues open.
- CP1607, CP1622, R0294 – The Chair and JS updated members on the joint REC and BSC changes. BSC Supplier Volume Allocation Group (SVG) rejected CP1629. R0294 would be put on hold following the outcome of BSC actions. JS confirmed agreement with the SVG to raise two further BSC Change Proposals (CPs) which will be equivalent to CP1629 solution. The possible outcome of those CPs will be approval for an updated implementation date for CP1607. The implementation of CP1607 was agreed to be delayed and has been pushed back to June 2026 with potential to delay implementation further if the other CPs are not prepared in time.

BM provided the following key updates on UNC Changes:

- 0919S – Housekeeping amendments to TPD Sections B, G and M – Consultation closed on 27 February 2026, implementation decision is expected at March 2026 UNC Panel.
- 0903 – The Introduction of a Single NTS Capacity Reference Price – Decision from the Authority has been set as 14 December 2026.
- 0843 – Establishing the Independent Shrinkage Charge and the Independent Shrinkage Expert – Anticipating Authority decision on 16 March 2026.
- 0918 – Temporary reintroduction of the enhanced pressure service and increased MNEPOR for BBLC (reintroduced by UNC0891 and UNC0859 and introduced by UNC0814) – Authority decision anticipated on 07 May 2026.

BM highlighted that 8 Modifications were still awaiting Authority decisions. BM also confirmed to the Chair that communication was exchanged with Change Analysts in regard to potential cross-code considerations with I0196 and I0252. The Chair affirmed that BM's email address had been shared with the Analyst to conduct further communication for clarification.

BM provided two new Proposed UNC Modifications under consideration:

- 0927S – Moving the Market Participant Identity Verification Approach Document out of the UK Link Manual and into the CDSP Service Document – Contract Management Arrangements
- 0928S – Enabling Amendment of Hydrogen Sulphide Limits in Network Entry Agreements

Both proposers have suggested these Modifications have no cross-code impact. Updates will follow panel decisions.

SDW provided the following key updates on DIP Changes:

- DCR0013 - DIP System enhancements – Proposal was archived as it had gone live.

JS provided the following key updates on BSC Changes:

JS provided two new Proposed BSC Modifications under consideration:

- P509 and P510 – Two different solutions to a similar problem. No cross-code changes identified so far, however, they are related to P415 so it has been flagged for information. A potential third modification has been considered.
- P508 – Removal of TERRE References – New modification is consequential to grid code modification.
- P494 – Establishing a Smart Data Repository (SDR) – Assessment report was presented to BSC Panel, soon it will be going out for report phase consultation. JS explained the

discussion at the BSC Panel concerning the potential overlap of work with other similar repositories in the industry. The conclusion of that discussion was that P494 was achieving something different and conversations with relevant parties had taken place. The Chair wanted to highlight that I0318 was looking at consumer consent and it was believed that the SDR would be the first use case of the consumer consent solution. JS confirmed that P494 would be focused on establishing the governance of SDRs rather than designing solutions.

The Chair requested an update regarding CP1628 as it should have gone to SVG in March 2026. JS confirmed that there had been solution updates following the consultation that were being finalised which has delayed the decision to SVG in April 2026.

The Chair also highlighted that adding TRADCT to the Meter Type Data Item requires a REC Change and that it was likely this would not be able to make June Release if this was required. JS took an action to confirm if this was being added as part of the final solution.

No updates were raised by the committee members for DTSA, IGT UNC and SEC.

4 AUTHORITY UPDATE

DKC provided the following update to Members:

Ofgem had published an updated guidance on the Code Manager selection, members were asked to review the documentation. Ofgem had also issued a call for expression of interest to join the code consolidation work group phase 2 which was planned for later in Summer 2026. DKC requested that any interested parties who could support the development of the modification required to create a consolidated electricity commercial code participate as the deadline for joining was on 17 April 2026.

Any interested parties were asked to email: industrycodes@ofgem.gov.uk.

5 DISCUSS POTENTIAL CCSG RESPONSE TO PROPOSED INDICATORS OF OFGEM PERFORMANCE CALL

The Chair suggested that CCSG collectively respond to the Proposed Indicators of Ofgem Performance Call, the members unanimously agreed the value this would provide. The Chair took the action to create the first draft response and post it on the shared CCSG space so that other members could provide suggested edits and comments, with all members taking an action to review by the 30 March 2026 CCSG meeting. The draft response would then be finalised in the CCSG meeting on 30 March 2026 as the deadline for feedback was on 07 April 2026.

DKC emphasised how the input was very appreciated, as many resources are utilised to produce these Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and that the transparency would aid Ofgem in constructing KPIs that are useful to the industry.

6 CCSG TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Chair raised the proposed update to the CCSG Terms of Reference which would add one clause 4.4A All codes will use the same prioritisation for the Issue/Change/Modification as set by the lead code. One piece of feedback from an external source suggested that the clause should start with 'Where reasonably practical' to align more closely with the original wording that was distributed by Ofgem. Members agreed and stated that it could allow for outlier situations which would be beneficial. The Chair confirmed the consultation R0308 is due to run from 20 March 2026 to 14 April 2026, with members able to provide further comments during this window either directly to the Chair or by responding to the consultation.

7 AOB

The Chair invited Members to provide AOB.

The Chair introduced the issue of a CCSG response to the Implementation of Energy Code Reform raised by Tim Newton (TN) (SEC). The consultation closes on 17 April 2026, and the Chair confirmed they and TN believed that a CCSG response would be unnecessary due to the minimal changes made. The Chair added once the legal text had been finalised, they would review the CCSG Terms of Reference again to include aspects like the CCSG representative is expected to report back to their Stakeholder Advisory Forum as that is mandated in the text and ensure the list of codes that are required to attend CCSG was accurate, as the Code Manager Licence would require immediate attendance of CCSG. Members agreed that a current response was not needed.

JS flagged that BSC was conducting an internal code reform review, and they were considering updating the BSC legal text to include raising BSC Change Proposals and Issues instead of solely Modifications to CCSG.

The Chair confirmed the next meeting is the on 30 March 2026.