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REC CHANGE PANEL MEETING
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING	**RECCP_26_0421**
DATE	**21 April 2026**
LOCATION	**By teleconference**

Attendee	Representing	Initials	Role
Lindsay Biginton	Retail Energy Code Company	LB	Chair
Ben Atkinson	Domestic Suppliers	BAt	Voting Member
Harry Hailwood	Non-Domestic Suppliers	HH	Voting Member
Faye Brookes Lewis	Consumers	FBL	Voting Member
Martin Brailsford	Metering Equipment Managers	MB	Voting Member
Sebastian Eyre	Independent SME	SE	Voting Member
Sarah Jones	Independent SME	SJ	Voting Member
Keith Foster	Independent SME	KF	Voting Member
Scott McPhillimy	Authority	SM	Observer
Nadir Hafeez	Authority	NH	Authority Representative
Holly Law	Code Manager	HL	Change Delivery Manager
Caroline Freimuller	Code Manager	CF	Senior Change Lead
Harriet Truss	Code Manager	HT	Senior Change Lead
James Hardy	Code Manager	JH	Senior Change Lead
Florentina Monea	Code Manager	FM	Change Analyst
Bela Ashworth	Code Manager	BAs	Change Analyst
Francine Peyroux-Sissoko	Code Manager	FPS	Change Analyst
Mica Thomas	Code Manager	MT	Change Analyst
Ann Perry	Retail Energy Code Company	AP	Observer
George Hesmondhalgh	Code Manager	GH	Observer
Paul Witton-Dauris	Code Manager	PWD	Head of Change
Harry Firth	Code Manager	HF	Secretariat

1 INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting of the REC Change Panel (RECCP).

2 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The Chair invited any additional items of business for consideration during the meeting. NH raised Item 14.1 – Authority Update and HF raised Item 14.2 – R0290 Ex-Committee Decision.

3 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECCP Members unanimously approved the draft minutes from the previous meeting held on 07 April 2026. The approved minutes would be published as 'final' and made available via the REC Portal.

4 R0286 - CLARIFICATION ON DETAILED IMPACT ASSESSMENT ACTIVITIES

As the Lead Analyst for R0286, FPS provided an overview of the Change Proposal.

FPS advised Members that R0286 seeks to clarify and formalise detailed impact assessment activities within the REC Change process. The proposal introduces a "design-first" approach for complex technical changes, whereby the Responsible Committee approves the release of funds for the Lead Service Provider to complete detailed design work upfront as part of the Preliminary Impact Assessment (PIA). The proposal was developed following lessons learned from R0067 - Introduction of CSS Refresh Functionality which identified five recurring issues in the current process: lack of clarity, limited feedback, misalignment between parties, high contingency costs, and inaccurate timelines arising from the sequencing of design, PIA and Detailed Impact Assessments (DIAs).

FPS took Members through the proposed solution for R0286. They were advised that changes will be made to Schedule 5 to include a new clause (12.9), enabling design to be completed earlier in the change lifecycle. This approach has already been successfully trialled under Changes R0080 and R0096, with R0080 implemented in June 2025. FPS explained that the approach would formalise the design-first approach for complex technical changes, and enable a more efficient technical change process, resolving issues that are detrimental to REC Parties, and improving cost-effectiveness and more accurate costs.

FPS set out the case for change, identifying no central systems costs and costs to Parties, whilst explaining the expected benefits including improved visibility, design quality, accuracy of costs and timelines, and overall efficiency of complex technical changes, while supporting earlier stakeholder engagement and reducing later re-work.

FPS advised that five responses were received to the consultation, with all being broadly supportive of the Change Proposal. Two clarification points were raised: one relating to separation of upfront design activities from DIA activities, and another regarding scenarios where funding approval is not granted. FPS added that clarifications were provided confirming that design-first activities remain distinct from DIAs, and that where funding is not approved, the change would follow the standard process. All respondents agreed with the Change path of Self-Governance, the recommendation to approve, and the proposed implementation approach.

RECCP Members noted the contents of the Change Report; and

- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the proposed solution;
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the proposed implementation date of 26 June 2026; and
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the proposed implementation approach of Big Bang.

5 R0291 - REVIEW OF SCHEDULE 1 INTERPRETATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

As the Lead Analyst for R0291, CF provided an overview of the Change Proposal.

CF informed Members that R0291 was raised following a Marketwide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) related quality assurance review of Schedule 1, where two main issues were identified. Some capitalised terms used across the REC are not currently formally defined in Schedule 1, and existing defined terms reference Schedules which are no longer active, primarily the Master Registration Agreement (MRA) and Supply Point Administration Agreement (SPAA) transition Schedules. In several cases, some terms were defined only through reference to clauses within those obsolete schedules, rendering them unhelpful.

CF took Members through the proposed solution for R0291, which introduces minor amendments to the REC Main Body, Schedules 1 and 25. Specifically, the solution adds eight missing defined terms, removes fourteen transitional definitions that are no longer in use, and amends four existing definitions to improve clarity and accuracy. Minor reference updates were also made to remove or replace references to obsolete transition schedules where no longer required. CF also highlighted a small amendment to the solution which had been spotted following publication of the Change Report, relating to the definition of Metering Point Administration Data, where a typographical correction was made to align the wording correctly with the Metering Point Administration Service definition.

CF presented the case for change to Members, identifying no central systems costs and minimal costs to Parties. CF advised that the benefits are primarily improved legal accuracy, robustness and clarity of the REC, reducing ambiguity for market participants and ensuring that commonly used terms are consistently and appropriately defined.

CF advised that the consultation for R0291 received three responses, with all being supportive of the Change Proposal. CF advised that all respondents supported the identified costs and benefits for R0291, the Change path of self-governance, the recommendation to approve, and the proposed implementation approach and date.

RECCP Members noted the contents of the Change Report; and

- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the proposed solution;
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the proposed implementation date of 26 June 2026; and
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the proposed implementation approach of Big Bang.

6 R0307 - RELEASE AND LICENSING OF THE COMCOP LOGO FOR ACCREDITED PARTIES

As the Lead Analyst for R0307, FM provided an overview of the Change Proposal.

FM explained that R0307 concerns the release and licensing of the Consolidated Metering Code of Practice (CoMCoP) logo for accredited parties. The CoMCoP logo was trademarked prior to the launch of the CoMCoP in April 2023 but has not been made available for use by Accredited Parties, pending implementation of CoMCoP through R0152 **Revision to the Consolidated Metering Code of Practice (CoMCoP)**. As a result, Accredited Parties currently have no official logo to display in marketing or public-facing materials, while legacy pre-CoMCoP logos remain in circulation. FM explained that the absence of a visible accreditation marker risks undermining Consumer trust and confidence, as consumers cannot easily identify which parties are CoMCoP Accredited. R0307 seeks to formally release the CoMCoP logo and make it available to eligible Parties under a clear and well-governed licensing framework.

FM took Members through the proposed solution, which proposes three new defined terms in Schedule 1, and amendments to Schedule 15, a new Paragraph 10 on the use of the CoMCoP logo, and a new Annex A displaying the four variations of the CoMCoP logo.

FM presented the case for change to Members, identifying no central systems costs and minimal costs to parties. FM advised that identified benefits include increases in market clarity and consistency, Consumer trust and confidence, and mitigation of reputational risk.

FM advised that the consultation for R0307 was open from 06-27 March but did not receive any responses. However, FM advised that the Code Manager is still happy to proceed with this Change Proposal due to the clear identified benefits associated with R0307.

RECCP Members noted the contents of the Change Report; and

- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the proposed solution;
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the proposed implementation date of 26 June 2026; and
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the proposed implementation approach of Big Bang.

7 I0228 - ECOES API FOR EXPORT MPAN CREATION AT SCALE

As the Lead Analyst for I0228, CF provided an overview of the Issue.

CF advised that I0228 is looking into the potential creation of an Electricity Central Online Enquiry Service (ECOES) Application Programming Interface (API) to support export Meter Point Administration Number (MPAN) creation at scale. The Issue has been raised by an Electricity Supplier, who reported a bottleneck when creating more than 50 export MPANs per day with a single Distribution Network Operator (DNO). At present, bulk export MPAN creation is managed through bilateral arrangements between Suppliers and DNOs, with significant variation in approach, heavy reliance on manual processes and spreadsheets, and limited standardisation. An API within the Electrical Enquiry Service (EES) could help streamline and automate this process.

CF advised that I0228 is a non-urgent Self-Governance Issue, with the Technical Expert Panel (TEP) as the Responsible Committee. Impacts have been identified on electricity Consumers, Suppliers and DNOs. CF added that the EES Provider has also been identified as a potentially impacted party, but it is unclear whether the API would sit under the EES or the Secure Data Exchange Portal (SDEP) instead. I0228 has been provided a priority status of medium based upon a weighted prioritisation score of 148.

CF provided Members with an overview of the milestones within the Proposal Plan. They noted that the plan covers an Information Request and Business Case Assessment only. This is to establish if there is a long-term use case for the proposed API, before proceeding with solution development and a Service Provider impact assessment. This is due to concerns raised by DNOs who suggest that the bottleneck may have been driven by legacy Feed-In Tariff arrangements, which are expected to taper off. This Information Request is already open, closing on 08 May 2026.

Milestone	Activity	From	To
Definition		**02 Apr 26**	**15 Jun 26**
	Information Request	April	May
	Business Case Assessment	May	June

RECCP Members noted the contents of the Change Report and the Issue background, and:

- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the Issue pathway and Responsible Committee; and
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the Issue timetable.
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8 I0260 - ADDITION OF THE SOQ INFORMATION FOR TPIS

As the Lead Analyst for I0260, MT provided an overview of the Issue.

MT explained that I0260 concerns the proposed addition of Supply Offtake Quantity (SOQ) information access for Third Party Intermediaries (TPIs). The issue was raised by TPIs, who currently do not have access to SOQ data and therefore cannot accurately forecast annual consumption values when supporting Consumers ahead of contract renewals. This lack of visibility can lead to inaccurate pricing forecasts, subsequent amendments once Suppliers provide standing charge information, and potential billing disputes or consumer queries. MT added that this absence of SOQ data may also contribute to billing inaccuracies, which will be explored further during solution development.

MT advised that I0260 is a non-urgent Self-Governance Issue, with the Change Panel as the Responsible Committee. Identified impacted Parties include Industrial and Commercial Consumers, the Gas Enquiry Service (GES) Service Provider, TPIs and Gas Suppliers. MT advised that I0260 will also be presented to the Performance Assurance Board (PAB), due to impacts on the Gas Access Matrix which is a PAB-owned item. I0260 has been provided a priority status of medium based upon a weighted prioritisation score of 126, reflecting the impact on Consumers, as the Issue will enable better forecasted annual values from TPIs allowing more tailored options for contract renewals.

MT provided Members with an overview of the milestones within the Proposal Plan. They noted that there is currently no solution identified. Following a Service Provider Impact Assessment in May, I0260 will return to Change Panel with a more detailed plan ahead of consultation. An information request will be issued to TPIs on 24 April.

Milestone	Activity	From	To
Definition		**31 Mar-26**	**21 Jul-26**
	Solution Analysis	March	May
	Solution Development	May	July
	Impact Assessment	July	July

RECCP Members noted the contents of the Change Report and the Issue background, and:

- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the Issue pathway; and
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the Issue timetable.

9 I0312 - REVIEW OF EXPORT METER WORK ARRANGEMENTS

As the Lead Analyst for I0312, BAs provided an overview of the Issue.

BAs explained that I0312 was raised by RECCo following discussion at the R0207 - Import / Export MOA Charging Clarification Working Group, which had been considering clarification of import and export MOA charging obligations. During those discussions, Industry members identified a broader issue within Schedule 14, namely that the current provisions do not clearly distinguish between Import and Export metering activities or adequately address scenarios where Import and Export Suppliers share a single Metering Asset. The existing REC provisions were developed prior to widespread small-scale generation and do not reflect current market conditions.

As a result of this lack of clarity, Industry Parties do not have a consistent approach to managing meter works or investigating meter issues where both Import and Export arrangements apply, particularly where different Suppliers are responsible for Import and Export services. BAs noted that differing Supplier interpretations have led to uncertainty over which Party should initiate or manage meter work requests

and fault resolution. The issue therefore seeks to review and potentially amend Schedule 14 and other relevant REC provisions to establish a clear and consistent framework for managing meter works where shared Import/Export Metering Assets exist.

This Change Proposal impacts Electricity only, with identified impacts to Energy Suppliers and Metering Equipment Managers. Safe Isolation Providers (SIPs) have been included within the scope of review, with the working group to determine whether any changes to SIP arrangements are required. Consumers may also be indirectly impacted where unclear arrangements hinder timely meter works or investigations.

BAs advised that I0312 is a non-urgent, Self-Governance Issue, with the Metering Expert Panel (MEP) as the Responsible Committee. I0312 has been designated a priority status of high based upon a weighted prioritisation score of 163, reflecting the Consumer impact, and the need to clarify market arrangements.

BAs provided Members with an overview of the milestones within the Proposal Plan. BAs advised that the plan only covers an extended solution development period to November, as part of which a dedicated I0312 working group will be established. Five or six working group meetings have been planned for on a monthly basis, with the first meeting scheduled for 06 May. BAs advised that the Code Manager will present a more detailed plan to the MEP at a later date.

Milestone	Activity	From	To
Definition		**13 Feb-26**	**30 Nov-26**
	Code Manager Initial Assessment	March	March
	Solution Analysis	March	April
	Solution Development	May	November

NH asked if there will be a consultation for this Issue. BAs confirmed there will be a consultation at a later date, but it is not included in the timeline yet as the Code Manager still have to determine whether a Party Impact Assessment is also required beforehand.

RECCP Members noted the contents of the Change Report and the Issue background, and:

- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the Issue pathway and Responsible Committee; and
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the Issue timetable.

10 I0314 - CROSSED METERS PROCESS: CLARIFICATIONS AND SUPPORT

As the Lead Analyst for I0314, FM provided an overview of the Issue.

FM explained that I0314 was raised by the Code Manager following solution analysis work on I0172 – End-to-End New Connections Process Review, during which REC Parties highlighted concerns that, although a formal Crossed Meters process exists within Schedule 30, it is not being applied consistently or effectively across the industry. Industry feedback indicated that this inconsistent application is contributing to delays in resolving Crossed Meters cases, increased operational effort for market participants and the Code Manager, inconsistent Consumer outcomes, and heightened risks of billing inaccuracies and potential debt accumulation for Consumers. These concerns were reinforced through responses to an information request issued under I0172, where parties identified practical challenges specifically related to the Crossed Meters process, despite the request being focused on the New Connections process. FM added that Change Issues Group attendees supported the raising of a standalone Issue to examine the Crossed Meters process in more detail. The purpose of the Issue is to identify blockers preventing effective and consistent application of the existing process, and to determine

whether additional clarifications or supporting guidance from the Code Manager are required to improve industry compliance and outcomes.

FM advised that I0314 is a non-urgent Self-Governance Issue, with the Change Panel as the Responsible Committee. Identified impacted Parties are Consumers, DNOs, Suppliers, Gas Transporters (GTs) and Metering Equipment Managers (MEMs). I0314 has been designated a priority status of medium based upon a weighted prioritisation score of 140, reflecting the impact on Consumers.

FM advised that the Code Manager may need to recalculate the prioritisation score following the completion of the solution development phase. KF welcomed this approach, noting that given the potential risks to consumers of billing inaccuracies and debt accumulation, the current medium priority rating appeared understated. FM reiterated that this score may be reviewed if necessary following analysis of the information request responses.

FM provided Members with an overview of the milestones within the Proposal Plan. FM advised that the plan only covers an extended solution analysis and solution development period, with the aim to provide Members with a more detailed plan at a later date. FM advised that an information request is currently open to responses until 08 May, and the Code Manager plan to utilise the Change Issues Group to help with solution development.

Milestone	Activity	From	To
Definition		**31 Mar-26**	**TBD**
	Solution Analysis	March	July
	Solution Development	July	October

RECCP Members noted the contents of the Change Report and the Issue background, and:

- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the Issue pathway; and
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the Issue timetable.

11 I0318 - INTRODUCTION OF CONSUMER CONSENT SOLUTION

As the Lead Analyst for I0318, HT provided an overview of the Change Proposal.

HT explained that in April 2025, Ofgem selected RECCo to deliver the Consumer Consent Solution (CCS) and confirmed that it will be governed under the REC. I0318 has been raised to run alongside the RECCo project to ensure visibility and appropriate stakeholder engagement through REC Change and Governance processes and support a smooth transition from project delivery into a formal REC Change Proposal later in the year.

The CCS will be implemented as a new REC service, providing a central, standardised and trusted mechanism for capturing, managing and validating consumer consent for the sharing of energy data. The initial delivery of the CCS project is the Minimum Marketable Product (MMP), expected to focus on domestic consumers and half-hourly meter data, while laying the foundations for broader future use across the industry. HT confirmed that this is the scope for I0318.

HT explained that detailed solution design, governance assurance, technical development and legal drafting are being progressed through an established RECCo project. Outputs from that project, including drafting, will feed into the formal REC Change Proposal expected to be raised in Q4 2026, following an industry consultation on the project-developed legal text.

HT advised that I0318 is a non-urgent Authority-determined Issue (reflecting Ofgem's direction on the CCS project), with the Change Panel as the Responsible Committee. Identified impacted Parties are

domestic Consumers, the Enquiry Service Providers, the new CCS Service Provider and all Parties, particularly non-REC party CCS Users. HT added that while there are no obligations under MMP for Suppliers, they are expected to play a greater role as functionality expands past MMP. I0318 has been designated a priority status of critical based upon a weighted prioritisation score of 173, reflecting the Ofgem-directed nature of the project and level of required change to the REC.

HT provided Members with an overview of the milestones within the Proposal Plan. They advised that the current work ongoing in the RECCo project on solution development will lead into an industry consultation on the proposed legal drafting in the summer, after which it is expected for the formal Change Proposal to be raised. HT advised that they would be providing monthly updates on the CCS project in Change Issues Group meetings.

Milestone	Activity	From	To
Definition		**26 Feb-26**	**30 Sep-26**
	(Solution Development under RECCo CCS project, inc Legal Reviews & Impact Assessment)	February	September
Change Proposal		**30 Sep-26**	**08 Dec-26**
	Business Case Assessment	October	October
	Consultation	November	November
	Solution Refinement	November	December
	Final Determination	December	December
Voting		**08 Dec-26**	**15 Dec-26**
	Referral to Authority	16 December	16 December

HT noted that responses to the recently closed CCS design consultation are due to be published in the following week, with further analysis and decisions to follow at a later stage.

RECCP Members noted the contents of the Change Report and the Issue background, and:

- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the Issue pathway and Responsible Committee; and
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the Issue timetable.

12 I0200 - REVIEW OF THE REC'S ADDRESS MANAGEMENT SERVICE

As the Lead Analyst for I0200, JH provided an overview of the Issue.

JH reminded Members that I0200 was raised due to persistent address data quality issues which have resulted in large volumes of unmatched Meter Point Location (MPL) and Retail Energy Location (REL) addresses, reduced from approximately 2.8 million to 2.4 million but still presenting significant ongoing risk. Poor address data quality continues to contribute to delayed or Erroneous Switches, billing errors, Consumer detriment, and increased operational inefficiency for industry Parties.

JH outlined the Centralised Registration Service (CRS) Improvement Plan, noting that in December 2024 Ofgem confirmed that the Data and Communications Company (DCC) would retain licence and Code responsibilities for CRS. DCC and RECCo subsequently delivered a joint improvement plan, including a dedicated address data quality workstream. To avoid duplication and unintended consequences, I0200 was placed on hold in June 2025 while that work was completed. With the improvement plan now concluded, I0200 is being taken off hold to address residual and systemic issues that sit outside the CRS delivery scope but remain within REC governance.

JH noted that while I0200 was on hold, further address management issues were identified across multiple areas of the REC change landscape. These include Issues raised through other Change Proposals and Reviews such as I0172 - End to End New Connections Process Review, I0237 - Erroneous Switch Review, R0266 - REC Data Specification, R0283 - Annual Address Management Plan Updates, and I0314 - Crossed Meters Process: Clarification and Support. As a result, the scope of I0200 has been expanded to address broader address data quality, standardisation, and data-sharing issues across both gas and electricity, while seeking to minimise divergence between fuels where possible. JH noted that the Issue has been retitled "Review of the REC Address Management Service", reflecting this broader scope.

JH advised that I0200 is still a non-urgent Self-Governance Issue, with the Change Panel as the Responsible Committee. Identified impacted Parties include Consumers, the DCC, Suppliers, MEMs, GTs and DNOs. JH noted that engagement with these Parties had continued during the period the Issue was on hold, and that stakeholders are prepared to support solution development now the Issue is off hold.

JH provided Members with an overview of the updated milestones within the Proposal Plan. Solution analysis has already been informed by work undertaken through the CRS Improvement Plan and earlier I0200 activity. Further engagement with industry is planned through an extensive update at the Change Issues Group on 07 May, to agree the most effective approach to solution development. Early feedback suggests that a dedicated I0200 working group may be required due to the scale and complexity of the expanded scope. Solution development is currently scheduled through to November, allowing sufficient time for detailed work, stakeholder engagement, and legal drafting. JH confirmed that if a Service Provider Impact Assessment is required, this will be included in a more detailed proposal plan to be taken to Change Panel at a later date.

Milestone	Activity	From	To
Definition		**01-Apr-26**	**30-Nov-26**
	Solution Analysis	Completed	Completed
	Update to Change Issues Group	May	May
	Solution Development	April	November

RECCP Members noted the contents of the Change Report and the Issue background and:

- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the Updated Proposal Plan.

13 CHANGE PROPOSAL TRACKER

JH provided Members with an update on the Change Tracker.

JH advised that three new submissions had been reviewed by the Code Manager since the last Change Panel meeting:

Change to REC Derogations and Sandbox Clauses - This proposal has been rejected for now, as the scope was limited to widening the Sandbox and Derogations process beyond REC Parties. As there is due to be an Ofgem consultation in the future regarding Sandboxes and Derogations across the Code, which is expected to trigger a wider review of this process, this can be done under that review rather than needing to be progressed separately.

I0323 - Tariff Interoperability Phase 1a – Supplier Performance Assurance Requirements was accepted in on 20 April 2026

Update REC Charging Methodology to include provision for charges to Registered Tariff Interoperability Users (RTI Users) - This has been determined as no longer being required in the Phase 1a work for Tariff Interoperability, so has been rejected for now. This will be re-raised when it is required

JH provided an overview of further updates:

- **I0302 - Provision of Data to the GES Provider** - On 15 April 2026, the TEP approved via an Ex-Committee decision to place I0302 on hold until at least October 2026. Since the approval of the Proposal Plan by REC Change Panel on 03 March, the Code Manager received an update from RECCo regarding their dual-fuel Enquiry Service project. As the proposer, RECCo has asked that the milestone timetable be adjusted to better align with the project's timelines. RECCo will also be conducting solution development activities as part of the project. The Code Manager expects to provide a further update at the September 2026 TEP meeting, at the earliest.
- **R0294 - Implementation of IF-051 Data Refresh in EES for BSC CP1607** - An updated Proposal Plan was approved by the TEP on 25 March 2026. R0294 will not be progressed for a decision in March 2026 as planned, following the rejection of BSC CP 1629. The Code Manager will continue to work with Elexon and service providers for future progression of any changes to implement the IF-051.
- **R0316 - Clarification to Data Items within the Payment Method Levelisation Supplier Data Reporting Specification -** This Change Proposal was issued for Authority determination on 08 April 2026. Please note that the implementation date for R0316 has been deferred, awaiting Ofgem approval. Participants are asked to continue submitting their portfolio reports in the current format and content while final arrangements are completed. An updated implementation date will be communicated in due course. For any questions in the meantime, please email REC Change (change.management@recmanager.co.uk).
- **I0278 - Establishing the Safe Isolation Provider (SIP) as a Standalone REC Metering Party** - A first Working Group session will take place on 11 May 2026 to work on the solutions needed to establish a strong governance framework for standalone SIPs.
- **I0282 – Return of Legacy Meters** - This Issue has now been classed as resolved. An Issue Closure Report has been published on the REC Portal which provides further details on the steps taken and progress made under the Issue by the Code Manager and further reasoning for moving this REC Issue to a 'Resolved' status.

14 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

14.1 AUTHORITY UPDATE

NH provided the following update from the Authority:

On 2 April we published two consultations as part of energy code reform programme:

- Consultation on the draft second preliminary Strategic Direction Statement (SDS) for industry codes.
- Phase 1: transitional measures and code changes consultation.

Consultation on the draft second preliminary Strategic Direction Statement (SDS) for industry codes: This second preliminary SDS builds on the first version published in 2025. It retains the overall structure and approach, reflecting stakeholder feedback, providing an updated assessment on the policies and sector developments which may require code changes.

Through this consultation, we are seeking views on:

- the proposed content of the SDS, including our categorisation of policy areas against three different time horizons ('act now', 'think and plan' and 'listen and wait'),
- whether any key areas that will or may require code changes are missing from our assessment, and
- our proposed approach to convert this SDS from a preliminary document to a hybrid document once certain codes are designated later in 2026.

We expect to hold an industry workshop during the consultation period to discuss the content of the second preliminary SDS.

This consultation closes on 28 May 2026. We expect to publish the second preliminary Strategic Direction Statement in September 2026.

On 23 April 2026, we will be holding a webinar to provide an update on delivery of the energy code reform programme and to outline the key steps ahead. The webinar will be forward-looking, focusing on what recent and upcoming publications mean in practice, and how industry can prepare operationally for phase 1 of the reform. Interested parties can register here

14.2 R0290 EX-COMMITTEE DECISION

HF advised that the Code Manager published an Ex-Committee for the proposed replan of R0290 – Legacy Data Item API Service. They asked all Members to review the paper and vote on the replan by 17:00 on 27 April 2026. HF thanked all Members who had already provided their vote on this Ex-Committee.

There was no further business raised, and the Chair closed the meeting.