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CROSS CODE STEERING GROUP
MEETING NOTES

MEETING	**CCSG_26_0907**
DATE	**07 September 2026, 11:00**
LOCATION	**On Teams**

Attendee	Representing	Initials	Role
Caroline Freimuller	Retail Energy Code (REC)	CF	Committee Chair
Tim Newton	Smart Energy Code (SEC)	TN	Committee Member
Jenny Sarsfield	Balancing Settlement Code (BSC)	JS	Committee Member
Stephanie Catwell	Data Transfer Services Agreement (DTSA)	SC	Committee Member
Samraj Gill	Data Integration Platform (DIP)	SG	Committee Member
Talia Lattimore	Independent Gas Transporters Uniform Network Code (IGT UNC)	TL	Committee Member
Ben Mulcahy	Uniform Network Code (UNC)	BM	Committee Member
Andy Green	Distribution Connection and Use of System Agreement (DCUSA)	AG	Committee Member
Dylan Townsend	Distribution Connection and Use of System Agreement (DCUSA)	DT	Observer
Ife Garba	National Energy System Operator (NESO)	IG	Observer
Edma Hyskaj	REC Code Manager	EH	Secretariat

1 INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees to the CCSG meeting. The Ofgem representative Dovile Kvedyte-Corrigan (DKC) was noted as absent.

2 DRAFT CCSG TERMS OF REFERENCE REVIEW

At the previous meeting an AOB was raised by the Chair to review the drafted CCSG Terms of Reference (ToR) ahead of the REC consultation. Members were actioned to provide any comments ahead of the meeting which the Chair discussed prior to submitting the ToR.

Members views aligned with the concerns raised by the Chair. TN questioned the background of the request to review the drafted CCSG ToR, the Chair explained that a cross-code group was established to support the transition to code reform.

A consensus was that the ToR was repetitive and extensive, members suggested streamlining sections and reducing paragraphs to sentences. It was noted that the draft appeared to combine formal Terms of Reference with broader best-practice guidance on cross-code working, which may be more appropriately managed through separate documents.

Discussion highlighted concerns around the inclusion of content that duplicates existing licence conditions and code requirements. Members agreed that where obligations already exist within codes or licences, the ToR should reference them rather than replicate them, reducing the risk of future inconsistencies and maintenance issues.

Members also discussed several proposed governance changes, including the introduction of an independent CCSG Chair, an independent Secretariat model, consideration of derogations with cross-code impacts through CCSG, and new quoracy requirements requiring 75% of codes to be represented. Concerns were raised that the proposed quoracy threshold could prove impractical during the transition period, as CCSG attendance currently falls below this level.

Further clarification was requested on provisions allowing the CCSG ToR to be amended by CCSG agreement alone, with members noting this could have wider governance implications where licence conditions or code provisions reference the document. Questions were also raised regarding how success criteria for the new arrangements would be measured and whether these related to the operation of CCSG itself or the effectiveness of cross-code change management more generally.

It was agreed that all comments would be consolidated and returned to Ofgem and the drafting group. Members also agreed to offer further discussion and clarification on their feedback if required and noted that a formal consultation on the updated ToR is expected as part of the wider code reform changes.

Members requested that the Chair reach out to the cross-code group who drafted the ToRs to invite them to a CCSG meeting, to discuss the wider scope and purpose of this group and their role in drafting the CCSG ToRs (rather than the CCSG being asked to draft them). The Chair and SC took an action to reach out to a representative of the group with this request.

3 REVIEW OF THE 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:

- R0268 - Consequential Cross-Code Change for BSC P441 - Complex Site Classes Creation, DCP424 - Use of System charging for Complex Sites – Code manager was waiting for the Authority to publicly publish their send back on the BSC and REC. The Chair explained the change will be taken to consultation to align implementation date to P441 - Creation of Complex Site Classes with Authority Decision being received with a minimum of five working days. JS highlighted that the BSC now planned to align with DCUSA and that potential changes to the solution were required due to issues identified with identifying MPANs that are part of Complex sites. AG confirmed a possible solution option was a flag on the Electricity Enquiry Services (EES), which the Chair raised would be a REC issue and would require an Impact Assessment (IA) with the EES Provider. The Chair also confirmed they believed there was a Complex Site Flag in the D0268 Market Message but was unsure if there were Complex Sites in the Smart Segment which do not use this Market message. AG invited the Chair to a call between DCUSA and the BSC to assess the scope of the issue.
- I0331 - Regulatory Alliance Creation Rejections – Out for a Party Impact Assessment (PIA). Expected no cross-code impact for UNC or DCUSA.
- I0344 - Explore use of CHECK as a Meter Type option on J0483 DI-059 - Flagged for potential BSC impact. It is looking to remove CHECK from the list of Meter Type enumeration values.
- I0346 - REC Changes for the Gas Enquiry Service Evolution – No impact to other codes but flagged as other codes are users of the Gas Enquiry Service (GES).

TN provided the following key updates on SEC Changes:

- DP206 - Allowing Generators to apply for Export MPANs, MP169 - Managing SEC Obligations and the Consumer's Right to refuse a Smart Meter - A change subcommittee will be reviewing these changes.
- MP325 - 'SMCL2 Code Changes' – Definitions of change need to be included concerning the services, but the change is progressing.

JS provided the following key updates on the BSC Changes:

- CP1646 - Clarify Supplier obligations for IF/PUB-002 messages where a registration switch is cancelled – The Chair mentioned that following a meeting REC Change R0339 -

REC Change to align with BSC CP Clarify Supplier obligations for IF-002 messages where a Switch is cancelled was unlikely to hit November 2026 release due to Change Panel and consultation timelines not aligning. BSC are waiting to see if they would want to align their implementation date with the REC.

- P521 – Allowing Licenced Generators to choose their BMU Lead Party in CVA – Flagged for potential interest to NESO and CUSC due to the BMU responsibility.
- Issue 123 - Review of Asset Metering Arrangements – Potential REC and DIP dependencies for the changes that emerge from that.
- CP1650 – Extending the lapse period for Smart to Advanced Change of Market Segment – Updated the change proposal number.

SG provided the following key updates on DIP Changes:

- [Pre-raise] IF-045 notification for Import/Export MPAN meter type misalignment – SG raised that IF-045 impacts Schedule 14. There are plans to take it to SVG in October 2026. The BSC was assigned the lead code in the meeting and the Chair questioned if they wanted to raise the REC portion of the change and be the proposer or if they wanted REC to raise the change. SG took this question away, and the Chair confirmed they would raise the REC change if they had not heard back by the middle of the week. Targeting extraordinary release on 25 March 2027.

AG provided the following key updates on DCUSA Changes:

- I0278 - Establishing the Safe Isolation Provider (SIP) as a Standalone REC Party – AG informed the Chair that DCUSA are going to raise a change shortly which may result in a consequential change on liability charging being raised but assured that would be unique to DCUSA. AG also confirmed DCUSA would not agree for any SIP obligations held under DCUSA to be moved to REC, the Chair took an action to provide this feedback to the relevant Change Analyst.

BM provided the following key updates on UNC Changes:

- 0933S - Amendment to the designation arrangements outlined within TPD B4.7.16 – 4.7.21 to include a designate as 'Daily Metered' category – Confirmed IGT UNC impact, the workgroup has been moved to November 2026. TL mentioned that there would be IGT UNC presence at the panel and any documentation would be reviewed prior to the meeting.

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

4 AOB

4.1 INFORMATION REQUEST OPENED ON THE ENERGY MARKET DATA SPECIFICATION (EMDS)

The Chair confirmed that the information request that had been opened on the Energy Market Data Specification (EMDS) had now closed. The Chair would circulate the consolidated responses with Members by the end of the week.

4.2 QUARTERLY LINE-BY-LINE REVIEW OF THE CROSS-CODE CHANGE TRACKER

The Chair announced that the next meeting scheduled to be held on 21 September 2026 will be the Quarterly Line-by-Line Review of the Cross-Code Change Tracker. The meeting will be extended by the Secretariat to 90 minutes to account for this.