ELECTRICITY OPERATIONAL METERING FORUM
MEETING NOTES

MEETING	**E-OMF_26_0513**
DATE	**13 May 2026, 14:00**
LOCATION	**By teleconference**

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees to the Electricity Operational Metering Forum (E-OMF).

2. AUDIT UPDATE

ED provided an update covering the latest audit performance and trends across electricity audits, including Consolidated Metering Code of Practice (CoMCoP) Rev 2 and Rev 3. ED highlighted that a notable volume of non-conformances remained particularly in areas that related to, processes and documentation completeness, understanding of technical requirements such as voltage measurement and evidence of company-wide compliance.

ED stated that site audits identified issues around access to authorisation certificates on site and availability of supporting documentation during inspections. Members discussed variability in DNO-specific authorisation requirements and interpretation of audit questions relating to authorisation in comparison to competency. ED confirmed that where evidence cannot be provided, audits are not passed and escalated appropriately. No cases were identified where parties ultimately failed to demonstrate required authorisations. Members feedback indicated the need for greater clarity in this audit question to avoid misinterpretation.

3. REFORMED CONNECTION PROCESS

AA presented a high-level overview of the Electricity Connections Reform Programme (TMO4+). Reform in the process was driven by significant queue growth driven by renewables and storage projects, an inefficient “first-come, first-served” approach and a need to align with Net Zero and CP2030 targets.

The new model introduced a shift to “first ready, first connect” principles based on project readiness and system need. Projects were assessed through readiness criteria such as land, planning and finance and strategic alignment criteria which was concerned with the ‘need’. AA described the outcomes of Gate 1 – which included early queue access and gate 2 which confirmed connection with defined timelines. Data Network Operators (DNO) would now issue connection offers that aligned to prioritised projects, particularly those that were critical to near-term delivery targets. AA highlighted the scale of coordination required across Ofgem, networks, Energy Network Association (ENA) and industry stakeholders.

Members were asked to raise any detailed follow-up queries through the REC if further clarification on connection reform was required.

4. NATIONAL ENERGY SYSTEM OPERATOR (NESO) – ENERGY INSIGHTS

The Chair summarised the latest energy insight of April 2026. Noting that a record of 98.8% zero-carbon electricity generation was achieved on 22 April 2026. The Chair also showcased that new solar generation records exceeded 15GW highlighting that these milestones demonstrate increasing system resilience with high renewable penetration.

5. SAFETY AND TECHNICAL BULLETINS ON THE REC METERING HUB

The Chair updated Members on the status of the Safety and Technical bulletins available on the REC Metering Hub. Whilst no new metering-relevant bulletins were identified, the Chair did draw attention to the REC progression with refining the existing bulletin publication process to improve clarity and accessibility.

6. CHANGE TRACKER UPDATE

FPS provided an update on the Change Tracker, found on slide 29 of the meeting pack.

- I0278 - Establishing the Safe Isolation Provider (SIP) as a Standalone REC Metering Party – The first closed working group session was held on 11 May 2026; it is focused on governance and responsibilities. A further session is planned for June 2026 with papers to be published on the REC Portal.

- I0312 - Review of export meter work arrangements – This issue looks to resolve the REC Metering Operations Schedule's limited distinction between the activities for import and export metering. Approved by Change Panel with Metering Expert Panel (MEP) as the responsible sub-committee. The first working group was held on 06 May 2026 with the next session planned for 03 June 2026.

7. AOB

Energy Theft Learning Space

RG noted a new Energy Theft Learning Space was now available on the REC Portal which includes eight training modules covering the end-to-end theft investigation lifecycle such as leads, site visits, recovery and legal processes. RG highlighted it as a key resource to support safety, compliance and industry awareness.

Upcoming Gas and Electricity Operation Metering Forum (OMF) Meetings

The Chair reminded Members that the next Gas-OMF would be held on 10 June 2026 and would include updates on gas training changes relevant to metering.

RETAIL ENERGY CODE

APPENDIX A – ATTENDEES

Attendee	Initials	Company
Steve Brand (Chair)	SB	REC Code Manager
Presenters		
Eric Dodd	ED	Wilcock
Avi Aithal	AA	Energy Networks Association
Francine Peyroux-Sissoko	FPS	REC Code Manager
Rebecca Griffiths	RG	RECCo
Attendees		
Matt Baker	MB	Energy Networks Association
Jemma Johnson	JJ	RECCo
Warren Lacey	WL	Northern Powergrid
Nik Wills	NW	Stark
Andrew Summerbell	AS	Utilita
Bilal Leli	BL	Energy Assets
Martin Brailsford	MS	Association of Meter Operators
Richard Hill	RH	British Gas
Adam Deacon	AD	Calisen
Dave Roberts	DR	Scottish Power
Joseph Champion	JC	EDF Energy
Chris Williams	CW	EDF Energy
Micheal Turrington	MT	EDF Energy
Steven Ward	SW	Engage Services
Neil Taylor	NT	Engage Services
Keith Aldwinckle	KA	Ecotricity
Gill Wiseman	GW	Althanco
Dave Griffin	DG	Cullis Engineering