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GAS OPERATIONAL METERING FORUM
MEETING NOTES

MEETING	**GOMF_25_0611**
DATE	**11 June 2025, 14:00**
LOCATION	**By teleconference**

1. INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees to the Gas Operational Metering Forum (G-OMF).

2. AUDIT UPDATE

Eric Dodd (Auditor, Wilcock Consultants) provided an overview of key findings of the report into defects identified during the most recent REC audit period. This report was provided as a pre-meeting paper to members and can be accessed here. The paper reference is G-OMF_25_0611_02 – 2025 May Audit Defect Analysis Gas.

Steve Mulinganie (SM) asked whether using plain English should be considered with the audit questions. ED advised the audit questions were legally approved; however, this can cause issues. SM asked whether it would be beneficial if guidance was drafted, to help parties when completing the audits. SM mentioned a plain English version of the legal question could be put into the guidance. G-OMF members agreed the consideration of plain English guidance to help with the audits will be presented at a future Metering Expert Panel (MEP meeting for discussion.

3. FIFE COLLEGE – HYDROGEN TRANISITION TRAINING

Pete Jones (Gas Lecturer – Fife College) provided Members with an overview of the Fife College – Hydrogen Transition Training. The presentation will be included in the slide deck, which will be provided to Members as a post-meeting document, and can be accessed here. The Fife College – Hydrogen Transition Training can be found on slides 3-25. PJ explained the H100 Fife project, the training framework and the differences between hydrogen and natural gas.

The presentation included a link to a Youtube video on bringing a world first hydrogen gas for homes network to Fife, the link to the video can be found on slide 5.

SM asked if there was a similar training programme for the emergency services. PJ highlighted that initially the network wasn't going to change their procedures, meaning emergency services would need to be on site within an hour, showing their procedures would remain the same. PJ advised that now they are looking at the uncontrolled escape procedure for an empty property.

PJ explained it's much more difficult to get an explosive concentration from hydrogen. PJ advised they've got some modelling done of hydrogen leakage with just a cracked joint, a two or three millimetre hole.

4. REC METERING HUB UPDATE

Rebecca Griffiths (RECCo) provided Members with an overview of the REC Metering Hub Update. RG confirmed all planned updates to the REC Metering Hub have been delivered.

RG invited Members to provide feedback on the REC Metering Hub and they can do this by emailing Rebecca.griffiths@retailenergycode.co.uk.

5. INDUSTRY ISSUES AND CHANGE TRACKER

Holly Law (Code Manager) provided Members with an overview of the Industry Issues and Change Tracker. The presentation will be included in the slide deck, which will be provided to Members as a post-meeting document, and can be accessed here. The Industry Updates and Change Tracker can be found on slide 28.

HL informed Members the first solution development working group for I0197 – Introducing a Process to Provide Updates During Fault Resolutions will take place on 18 June 2025, 14:00 – 15:30. HL invited Members to email change.management@recmanager.co.uk if they wish to attend the working group.

HL informed Members on 30 May 2025, the Authority made their decision to send back R0207 – Import/Export MOA Charging Clarification. HL advised the letter detailing the reasons for the send back can be found on Ofgem's website. HL highlighted the Code Manager is reviewing this internally and working out the next steps.

HL informed Members, Ofgem direction has now been received on R0241 – Market Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) Incremental Changes for Go Live. HL highlighted this is following Cross Code Advisory Group endorsement, to progress to a Change Proposal. HL explained the Change Report (Consultation) was published on 05 June 2025 and will be considered by the REC Change Panel on 17 June 2025.

HL informed Members that R0152 – Revision to the Consolidated Metering Code of Practice (CoMCoP) was discussed at the MEP earlier on 11 June 2025, HL highlighted the MEP approved the solution, the implementation approach, however rejected the implementation date of September 2025. HL noted the alternative date proposed was 07 November 2025, and that will be issued for an ex-committee decision.

6. IGEM UPDATE

Mark Burrows (Gas Tech Engineering) informed Members that GM8 is in the final steps before being published. MB highlighted it's currently with the IGEM editors for minor editorial checks and cross referencing.

7. NATIONAL ENERGY SYSTEM OPERATOR – ENERGY INSIGHTS

Steve Brand (Chair) provided Members with an overview of the National Energy System Operator – Energy Insights. The presentation will be included in the slide deck, which will be provided to Members as a post-meeting document, and can be accessed here. The National Energy System Operator – Energy Insights can be found on slide 31.

8. DESNZ SMART METER STATISTICS IN GREAT BRITAIN

Steve Brand (Chair) provided Members with an overview of the DESNZ Smart Meter Statistics in Great Britain. The presentation will be included in the slide deck, which will be provided to Members as a post-meeting document, and can be accessed here. The DESNZ Smart Meter Statistics in Great Britain can be found on slides 33-34.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Steve Brand (Chair) raised a point around the nominations process for new members on the MEP. SB highlighted there are currently two MEM, one DNO and one Energy Supplier vacancies open. SB explained it is vital to have different roles within the industry represented at MEP, as serious decisions are made. SB encouraged Members to take part in the vote and nominate appropriate Members accordingly.

SB informed Members that the next Electricity Operational Metering Forum (E-OMF) will take place on 13 August 2025. SB asked Members to propose any specific subjects they would like to be discussed and they can be added to the agenda.

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