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REC CHANGE PANEL MEETING
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING	**RECCP_24_0806**
DATE	**06 August 2024, 13:00**
LOCATION	**By teleconference**

Attendee	Representing	Initials	Role
Jon Dixon	Retail Energy Code Company	JD	Alternate Chair
Ben Atkinson	Domestic Suppliers	BA	Committee Member
Dan Tarasco-Fittock	Non-Domestic Suppliers	DTF	Committee Member
Andy Clasper	Gas Networks	AC	Committee Member
Dave Wright	MEMs	DW	Committee Member
Lynne Fallon	Independent SME	LF	Committee Member
Sebastian Eyre	Independent SME	SE	Committee Member
Paul Gath	Independent SME	PG	Committee Member
Faye Brooks	Citizens Advice	FB	Committee Member
Paul Witton-Dauris	Code Manager	PWD	Head of Change
Caroline Freimuller	Code Manager	CF	Change Analyst
Holly Law	Code Manager	HL	Change Analyst
Caroline Milner	Code Manager	CM	Technical Analyst
Ryan Dale	Code Manager	RD	Technical Analyst
Bradley Mercer	Code Manager	BM	Secretary

1 INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting of the REC Change Panel (RECCP). BM advised that apologies had been received from Alex Travell (Committee Member).

2 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The Chair invited any additional items of business for consideration during the meeting; one additional item of business was raised and would be addressed at the foot of the agenda.

3 APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Chair invited Members to provide comments on the draft minutes of the meeting held on 16 July 2024. BM advised that some clarifications on the draft minutes had been suggested by LF in advance of the meeting, BM provided an overview of the amendments. There were no further comments, and the minutes were approved as an accurate reflection of the minutes subject to the changes being made.

4 REVIEW OF ACTIONS LOG

BM provided Members with an overview of the open action on the action log:

RECCP_24_0716_01: Code Manager to confirm whether R0182 was covering the capabilities of the asset or the mode the asset was set to.

BM advised that the Supplier should be guided by which price cap is applied. If they apply the single rate price cap to the meters then it is single rate, if they apply the multi register price cap then it is multi register **– Closed.**

5 R0192 – HOUSEKEEPING AMENDMENTS

As the Lead Analyst for R0192, HL provided Members with an overview of the Housekeeping Change Proposal.

HL confirmed that the Housekeeping Change Proposal was proposing to make non-material changes to the REC Products to correct typographical and consistency errors. It also provides an opportunity to introduce necessary clarifications.

HL informed Members that the proposed changes had been published alongside the Change Report and no comments had been received on the changes.

HL advised that the Code Manager recommended that R0192 was approved for implementation on 06 September 2024.

The Chair advised Members that they would be voting to approve or reject the change proposal. RECCP Members noted the contents of R0192 and:

- **AGREED** unanimously to approve change solution.
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the implementation approach.
- **AGREED** unanimously to approve the implementation date of 06 September 2024.

6 R0170 – WITHDRAWAL OF STIRG FROM REC GOVERNANCE

As the Lead Analyst for R0170, CF provided Members with an overview of the Change Proposal.

CF informed Members that the current governance for the Guidance for Service Termination Issue Reporting (STIRG) document may be unsuitable, and it should be removed from the REC into the Energy Networks Association (ENA) governance.

CF provided Members with an overview of the 12 Impact Assessment responses which had been received by the Code Manager. CF advised that on the whole DNOs were in support of the change and that MEMs were against the change.

DTF advised that the Code Manager had not provided Members with a view of the confidential IA responses in advance of the meeting and as such may find it difficult to make a decision on the change. CF apologised for not sharing the responses and highlighted that the decision that Members were being made to ask at this stage was if the change could progress to Consultation rather than to approve or reject the change.

CF informed Members that the Code Managers minded to position on the change at this stage would be to recommend rejection based on the IA responses received.

CF advised that the proposer of the change had submitted an alternative solution which would mitigate some of the concerns put forward through the IA responses. CF advised that a full overview of the alternative solution would be provided later on the agenda.

The Chair informed Members that they would be voting on whether the Change Proposal contained sufficient information and detail to progress to Consultation. RECCP Members noted the contents of R0170 and:

- **AGREED** unanimously that R0170 contained sufficient detail and information to progress to Consultation.

7 ALTERNATE SOLUTION FOR R0170

CF advised Members that the Proposer of R0170, ENA, have discussed the outcome of the Party Impact Assessment and the Code Manager's minded to position with DNOs and have come up with an alternate solution which they feel comfortable with.

CF advised that the solution was to amend the Metering Expert Panel Terms of Reference so that for the STIRG document only, unanimous approval is required from the MEM and Network Operator representatives for changes to be approved. CF informed Members that the Code Manager saw this option as a reasonable compromise which removes the concern raised by DNOs that they require more control over the STIRG document as it primarily relates to their assets and that under the current voting arrangements, changes could be approved they do not agree with.

CF confirmed that the solution would allow MEMs and Suppliers to retain their voting rights, raise changes to the document via their MEP representative and keeps the document under REC governance with the appeals process.

DW advised that he supported the alternative solution as MEMs retained their voting rights and it was a similar governance set up to what was in place under MOCOPA. CF provided Members with an overview of the required changes to the RECMEP Terms of Reference and Members confirmed that they were comfortable with the drafting.

CF advised that a Category 3 change to the RECMEP Terms of Reference would be raised following the meeting and parties would have an opportunity to provide their feedback through a consultation.

CF advised that the Proposer of R0170 may potentially withdraw the change to progress with the alternative Category 3 change solution.

RECCP Members noted the proposal and:

- **AGREED** unanimously to progress with the alternate solution.

8 CHANGE PROPOSAL TRACKER

8.1 R0144 – ALLOWING DIFFERENT MEMS TO BE APPOINTED TO IMPORT AND EXPORT METERING POINTS

CF advised that following the Code Manager's withdrawal as Proposer on 12 July 2024, R0144 has now been adopted by Good Energy to explore potential solutions within the REC now that BSC Change P459 is not progressing.

8.2 R0049 – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS AND SERVICES DATA MAIN BODY CHANGES

CF advised that following the conclusion of the Party Impact Assessment on 26 July 2024, the Code Manager will now proceed to Consultation, following publication of the Change Report on 08 August 2024.

8.3 R0155 – CHANGE OF TENANCY (EVIDENTIARY STANDARDS AND TIMESCALES)

CF informed Members that the Service Provider IA was now complete and the change would progress to the next stage of the Change Report ahead of Party IA. CF advised that The Code Manager anticipates this will now be published on 09 August 2024 for discussion at the Change Panel meeting on 20 August 2024.

9 AOB

9.1 COMMITTEE MEMBER ELECTIONS

BM advised that the Committee Member elections were now complete and the successful candidates were:

RECCP:

- Dan Tarasco-Fittock – Non-Domestic Supplier
- Alex Travell – Electricity Network Operator
- Dave Wright – Meter Equipment Manager

RECPAB:

- Paul Saker – Supplier
- Paul Everett – Supplier
- Fungai Madzivadondo – Electricity Network Operator
- David Brown – Meter Equipment Manager

RECMEP

- Steve Mulinganie – Supplier
- Paul Abreu – Electricity Network Operator
- Eric Fowler – Meter Equipment Manager