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CHANGE PROPOSAL EXTENSION TO PLAN

I0278 – Establishing the Safe Isolation Provider (SIP) as a Standalone REC Metering Party

DOCUMENT VERSION	1.0
PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION DATE	TBD
IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH	TBD

RESPONSIBLE COMMITTEE	CHANGE PANEL	**CHANGE PATH**	SELF-GOVERNANCE
PRIORITY STATUS	HIGH	**URGENCY**	STANDARD
IMPACTED STAKEHOLDERS	Safe Isolation Providers (SIPs), Metering Equipment Managers (MEMs), Electricity Metering Operatives (EMOs), Energy Suppliers, Distribution Networks Operators (DNOs)		

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1 CHANGE OVERVIEW

This Issue seeks to formally recognise the SIP as a standalone REC Metering Party to align with Ofgem's Strategic Direction Statement, enabling easier access to certified SIPs, meeting market demand and ensuring safety standards.

2 CHANGE PLAN UPDATE

Following an initial review of the Consolidated Metering Code of Practice (CoMCoP) and of the Service Termination Issue Reporting Guidance (STIRG) document, it came apparent that more solution development is needed with industry stakeholders prior to legal text drafting. This is due to the complexity of establishing a standalone REC Metering Party that is already existent and intertwined with other existing Metering Parties. Engaging with industry stakeholders will provide valuable insight into providing a simplified and centralised process for this standalone Metering Party.

In order to be able to thoroughly establish a clear governance framework and a streamline experience for individuals or organisations to accede to the REC as SIPs without requiring MEM status, the Code Manager proposes to update the Proposal Plan for I0278 to include:

- Engagement with trade associations to assess industry views including on sealing requirements, recording and notification, record keeping and REC accession;
- Working groups with industry stakeholders to refine these requirements; and
- Solution refinement following industry engagement and feedback.

As part of this update, the Code Manager proposes that the REC Change Panel assume the role of the Responsible Committee. This change reflects the number, and variety, of REC Schedules requiring amendment and the associated ownership outlined in the REC Baseline Statement.

The proposed update to the Proposal Plan for I0278 can be found below:

Milestone	Activity	From	To	From	To
Definition		**01 Oct-25**	**31 Jan-26**	**01 Oct-25**	**21-July-26**
	Solution Analysis	October	December	October	December
	Engagement with Trade Associations	N/A	N/A	January	April
	Engagement with Responsible Committee	October	December	October	May
	Solution Development	October	January	October	May
	Legal Drafting	October	January	October	May
	Working group	N/A	N/A	March	June
	Solution Refinement	N/A	N/A	June	June
	Update to Responsible Committee	January	January	July	July

3 COMMITTEE ACTIONS

Committee Members are invited to take the following actions:

- **REVIEW** the extension to plan for I0278;
- **APPROVE** the change of Responsible Committee; and
- **APPROVE** the extension to plan for I0278.