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CHANGE PROPOSAL UPDATE TO PLAN

I0273 – SHARING OF SSC AND TPR INFORMATION FOR MHHS SMART AND ADVANCED METER

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IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH	TBD

RESPONSIBLE COMMITTEE	METERING EXPERT PANEL	**CHANGE PATH**	SELF-GOVERNANCE
PRIORITY STATUS	HIGH	**URGENCY**	STANDARD
IMPACTED STAKEHOLDERS	ELECTRICITY ONLY: DATA SERVICES, ENERGY SUPPLIERS, METER OPERATOR AGENT		

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1 CHANGE OVERVIEW

The Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) design does not mandate the use of Standard Settlement Configuration (SSC) or support register-level Time Pattern Regime (TPR) data for Smart and Advanced Meters, creating gaps in data availability for certain Settlement and Switching scenarios. I0273 looks to explore whether:

- there are areas where the SSC is required for Smart and Advanced Metering Asset and if so, what updates are required to the population and validation rules for the SSC Data Item;
- where the Data Item is populated for Smart and Advanced meters, and;
- whether a mechanism is required to communicate the register level TPR information.

An information request was issued on 12 February 2026, to establish if there is an industry need for the maintenance of SSC and TPR. In particular, the Code Manager is seeking to understand;

- the scale of the issues and volume of impacted meters;
- current workarounds across industry, including potential solutions, or solutions already explored; and
- the scale of the impact to Consumers.

This information request has now closed, and the Code Manager has reviewed the responses to assess the next steps that are required with this Issue.

2 CHANGE PLAN UPDATE

As a result of the recent information request, the Code Manager recommended that this Issue be placed On Hold while further discussions took place between the Code Manager and Ofgem. Following a review of the information request responses, it became clear that additional clarification was needed to determine, and agree, which elements fell within the scope of the REC, and which should be progressed through the MHHS Programme. These conversations with Ofgem, as the Authority, and given the MHHS implications, were required before the Issue could move forward into solution development.

The Code Manager contacted Ofgem to discuss the information request responses in more detail and to confirm the appropriate next steps. Following engagement with Ofgem in April 2026, and once an agreed approach had been established, the Code Manager reviewed the Proposal Plan and, in line with the commitment made to the REC Metering Expert Panel at its meeting on 08 April 2026, drafted an updated plan setting out the activities to be undertaken during the definition phase that are currently known, or expected, to take place. The approach agreed to limit the scope to areas where the SSC remains operationally relevant/required and is manageable by the relevant operational teams. The Code Manager recognises that not all Advanced Meters had SSCs or TPRs if they were traded HH so it would not be possible to progress a solution for all Advanced Meters. Importantly, since an approach has now been agreed, the Code Manager believes that the Issue can come off ‘On Hold’ following the May REC Metering Expert Panel.

Under the updated Proposal Plan, the Code Manager will actively engage with impacted stakeholders to develop and refine the proposed solution as efficiently as possible. This will utilise the REC Change Issues Group including a detailed update on the progression of I0273 at the May Change Issues Group meeting on 07 May 2026. The stakeholder engagement will focus on identifying risks, operational impacts, and appropriate implementation options. A Party impact assessment and consultation will take place once a solution has been developed. However, until this solution has been developed, the Code Manager has not included the Party impact assessment and consultation in the Proposal Plan as the dates are yet to be determined. Once a solution has been developed, a further update to plan will be presented to the REC Metering Expert Panel.

In the interim, the Code Manager will publish guidance to support I0273, provide clarity, and ensure consistency, on the treatment of SSC data ahead of enduring MHHS arrangements. The guidance is intended to be applied during the MHHS Migration period whilst a full I0273 solution is developed and does not pre-empt or replace any future solution.

The update to plan, and the proposal to take I0273 off being 'On Hold' is shown below:

Milestone	Activity	From	To
Definition		**02 Sept-25**	**30 Sept-26**
	Solution Analysis	Completed	Completed
	Information Request	Completed	Completed
	Solution Development	March 2026	September 2026
	Update to Change Issues Group	May 2026	May 2026
	Interim Guidance to be Published	May 2026	May 2026

3 COMMITTEE ACTIONS

Committee Members are invited to take the following actions:

- **NOTE** the contents of this paper; and
- **APPROVE** the update to plan.