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CHANGE OF MARKET SEGMENT GUIDANCE – UPDATE FOR APPROVAL

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1 PURPOSE

This paper provides the REC Metering Expert Panel (RECMEP) with a proposed change to the Change of Market Segment – MHHS Guidance document, to enable a MEP decision on the document.

2 PROPOSED CHANGE

2.1 BACKGROUND

The Change of Market Segment guidance was developed to provide additional information to support Suppliers', Meter Operator Agents' (MOAs) and Distribution Network Operators' (DNOs) understanding of the electricity change of Market Segment process in relation to meter updates and MOA appointments under the new Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) arrangements. The guidance was implemented as Category 3 REC document on 22 September 2025, under the ownership of the Metering Expert Panel.

During MHHS transition it has been highlighted that the REC guidance, for Advanced to Smart change of Market Segment, does not align to the Supplier Meter Registration Service (SMRS) requirements that have been implemented:

- The process for Change of Market Segment includes the issuing of the IF-035 'SMRS Appointment Status Notification'
- Ordinarily, on receipt of the IF-035, the Losing MOA (Advanced) issues a D0268 'Advanced Meter Technical Details'
- As a Smart MOA does not require, or may not have the processing in place for, the D0268, the REC guidance was drafted on the understanding that an IF-035 would not be issued to the Losing MOA in this scenario. This requirement however was not reflected in the final design

2.2 PROPOSAL

As there is no plan to make a change to the SMRS requirements under the Balancing & Settlement Code, an update to the Change of Market Segment document is proposed to align to the current technical arrangements.

The proposed update addresses treatment of the IF-035 when sent to the Losing MOA (Advanced), as follows:

- The SMRS will issue the standard IF035 'SMRS Appointment Status Notification' to the Supplier and the Gaining MOA / Data Service. Although ~~T~~the IF035 will ~~not~~ be sent to the Losing MOA, ~~as~~ there is no requirement for MTDs to be sent via the D0268 'Advanced Meter Technical Details' on a 'SEG' prospective appointment.
    - Where a Gaining MOA does receive a D0268, it can be ignored.

The proposed update was taken to the BSC's MHHS Expert Group on 21 May 2026, where no objections were raised.

3 COMMITTEE ACTIONS

Committee Members are invited to take the following actions:

- **NOTE** the contents of the paper;
- **APPROVE** the proposed updated 'Change of Market Segment – MHHS Guidance'

4 NEXT STEPS

Once approved the update Change of Market Segment – MHHS Guidance document will be implemented via the Category 3 change process in June 2026.

5 ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1 – 'Change of Market Segment - MHHS Guidance v1.1 – Redlined'