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REC TARIFF INTEROPERABILITY WORKING GROUP
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING	**RECTIWG_25_1209**
DATE	**09 December 2025, 15:00**
LOCATION	**By teleconference**

Attendee	Representing	Initials	Role
Chris Stock	Retail Energy Code Company	CS	Chair
Theo Burnard	Code Manager	TB	Code Manager
Kevin Redmond	Moorhouse Consulting	KR	Committee Member
Sarah Jones	Retail Energy Code Company	SJ	Committee Member
Andrew Wallace	Retail Energy Code Company	AW	Committee Member
Paul Crorken	Retail Energy Code Company	PC	Committee Member
Rebecca Griffiths	Retail Energy Code Company	RG	Committee Member
Emily Davis	Ofgem	ED	Committee Member
Montana Aeberhardt	Ofgem	MA	Committee Member
Samuel Wroe	DESNZ	SW	Committee Member
Peter Morgan	DESNZ	PM	Committee Member
Daniel Leyfield	Levelise	DL	Committee Member
Richard Slack	Levelise	RS	Committee Member
Gareth Evans	Walter Wye	GE	Committee Member
Pardeep Randhawa	npower	PR	Committee Member
Sam Stanhope	ESG Global	SS	Committee Member
Carolyn Burns	ESG Global	CB	Committee Member
Yumann Siddiq	Ohme	YS	Committee Member
Claire Louise Roberts	Scottish Power	CLR	Committee Member
Nicole Hennessy	EDF Energy	NH	Committee Member
June Mallett	Drax	JM	Committee Member

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Eleonore Glendinning	Voltalis	EG	Committee Member
Matt Roderick	SMS Energy	MR	Committee Member
Matt Adams	BEAMA	MA	Committee Member
Emma Johnson	Centrica	EJ	Committee Member
Charlotte Goodman	EON Energy	CG	Committee Member

1. INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees to the REC Tariff Interoperability Working Group (TIWG) meeting held on 09 December 2025.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The Chair shared an overview of the agenda, including confirming the previous minutes, a consultation update, overview of the test approach and an item on the proposed Implementation Working Group (IWG).

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Code Manager presented an overview of the previous minutes and noted that no comments or questions had been received. No comments were received during the meeting, and the previous minutes for the TIWG meeting held on 30 September 2025 were approved as final.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

4. ACTION LOG UPDATE

The meeting secretary shared updates for three actions and proposed to close two actions. No objections were raised to these actions being closed.

The actions RECTIWG_25_0527_01 and RECTIWG_25_0930_02 are now closed.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

5. CONSULTATION UPDATE

The Chair shared an overview to the Tariff Interoperability Arrangements Consultation, which was launched on Tuesday 25 November 2025 and will remain open until Tuesday 20 January 2026.

The Chair explained that the consultation would be distributed via the REC Portal, emailed directly to TIWG Members and Suppliers, shared on LinkedIn and on the Industry bulletin.

The Chair shared an overview of the consultation pack, and noted the cover letter, annexes with questions, policy overview, draft SLC changes, the new REC Tariff Interoperability (TI) Arrangement Schedule, API technical specification, standards definition, implementation timeline, and a pro forma for responses.

TIWG members highlighted the challenge of the eight-week consultation period covering Christmas and New Year, noting difficulties in gathering stakeholder input and accommodating for annual leave periods. The Chair acknowledged difficulties of organising consultation responses at this time of the year and clarified the necessity of the releasing the consultation over this period. The Chair stated that late responses would still be considered.

The Chair confirmed that the link to the developer portal can be found in Annex E, and here: Dev Portal - APIs

The Chair provided an outline of a webinar to be hosted on Wednesday 17 December 2025 aimed at REC Parties and related stakeholders who do not have a detailed knowledge of Tariff Interoperability. This webinar will be recorded and is able to be shared with any members who cannot attend the webinar live.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

6. TEST APPROACH AND PLAN

KR provided an update on the Tariff Interoperability Test Approach and Plan, outlining the strategy, approach, timeline and requirements for the assurance and testing of the TI Arrangement.

KR outlined the three main testing areas: Internal Systems, Solution Design and Ability to operate in the TI Arrangements. KR shared that a sandbox environment will be implemented to support self-directed testing by TIWG members. The sandbox environment would allow Suppliers and Users to test API interactions, registration processes, and event notifications without using real customer data, supporting readiness for go-live. Further information on the testing areas can be found on slides 9 – 10.

KR outlined five assurance options ranging from fully mandated testing with comprehensive evidence review to voluntary testing with post go-live performance assurance. Full detail on the five options can be found on slide 11.

KR shared that RECCo supports option two, as it provides the best level of assurance, will require Suppliers to complete management attestations prior to onboarding, and will demonstrate readiness to operate the TI Arrangements. Under this option, RECCo will also provide oversight of Test Planning and will conduct risk-based sampling of Test Evidence from chosen Suppliers prior to Onboarding.

One TIWG Member expressed preference for option five.

TIWG Members provided feedback to the proposal, with some members favouring a lighter regime with strong monitoring and issue resolution, while others emphasised the need for clarity on mandatory participation and the impact on resource planning. KR noted this feedback and requested any further comments be shared before 19 December 2025.

KR noted that a draft plan would be circulated in January for further review and approval, and confirmed that detailed timelines would be included in the final plan.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

7. IMPLEMENTATION WORKING GROUP

The Chair announced the creation of a new Implementation Working Group (IWG) to support Suppliers and Users during the design, build, and test phases, inviting participation from technical experts and pilot group members. The IWG will begin in Q1 2026 and will sit under the current TIWG.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

8. AOB

TIWG Members, DESNZ and the Chair discussed technical questions on export tariffs and permitted use cases for TI users, clarifying that export tariffs are included if not explicitly excluded, and that permitted use is governed by customer consent and General Data Protection Regulation requirements.

SJ confirmed that while the API was designed for optimisation, the arrangements do not restrict use to those cases, allowing other consumer services if consent is obtained.

The Chair reminded the TIWG of the webinar on 17 December 2025 and noted this will include a Q&A session and will be open to wider Industry members.

The Chair thanked TIWG Members for their contributions this and wished everyone a good holiday period.

Next meeting date (provisional): 27 January 2025