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REC TARIFF INTEROPERABILITY WORKING GROUP
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING	**RECTIWG_26_0604**
DATE	**04 June 2026, 12:00**
LOCATION	**By teleconference**

Attendee	Representing	Initials	Role
Chris Stock	Retail Energy Code Company	CS	Chair
Edma Hyskaj	Code Manager	EH	Code Manager
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
George Roberts	Retail Energy Code Company	GR	Committee Member
Matt White	Retail Energy Code Company	MW	Committee Member
Eva Von-Schaxmann	Retail Energy Code Company	EVS	Committee Member
Nizar Hamood	Retail Energy Code Company	NH	Committee Member
Maria Taborga	Ofgem	MT	Committee Member
Fiona Rae	Ofgem	FR	Committee Member
Abdul Choudhury	DESNZ	SW	Committee Member
Peter Morgan	DESNZ	PM	Committee Member
Daniel Leyfield	Levelise	DL	Committee Member
Richard Slack	Levelise	RS	Committee Member
Gareth Evans	Waters Wye	GE	Committee Member
Andrew Eisenberg	E.ON	AE	Committee Member
Pardeep Randhawa	npower	PR	Committee Member
Sam Stanhope	ESG Global	SS	Committee Member
Matthew Winstanley	ESG Global	MW	Committee Member
Komal Brown	ScottishPower	KB	Committee Member

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Claire Roberts	ScottishPower	CR	Committee Member
Matt Roderick	SMS Energy	MR	Committee Member
Emma Johnson	Centrica	EJ	Committee Member
Mohammed Amin Fuggawala	Centrica	MAF	Committee Member
David Hipwell	Centrica	DHI	Committee Member
Daniel Hollingworth	Ohme	DHO	Committee Member
Dinyar Baria	NESO	DB	Committee Member
David Green	EDF Energy	DG	Committee Member
Alan DeBell	EDF Energy	AD	Committee Member
Jodie Kovacs	EDF Energy	JK	Committee Member
Christine Harris	Mixergy	CHA	Committee Member
Andrew Jones	Total Energies	AJ	Committee Member
Michael Snowden	Secure Meters	MS	Committee Member
Shannon Grehan	ElectraLink	SG	Committee Member
James Edgar	Which?	JE	Committee Member
Rollo Maschietto	Voltalis	RM	Committee Member
Andy Dean	Geo Together	AD	Committee Member
Rob Parvin	Smart Energy Code Company	RP	Committee Member
Geoff Huckerby	CGI	GH	Committee Member
Christopher Butcher	Smartest Energy	CHB	Committee Member
Julian Moore	Smartest Energy	JM	Committee Member
Nicola Butcher	Smartest Energy	NB	Committee Member

1. INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees including members from the Consumer Consent Solution (CCS) Working Group to the REC Tariff Interoperability Working Group (TIWG) meeting held on 04 June 2026.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The Chair shared an overview of the agenda, including the approval of previous minutes, a summary of the Government Response, detailed discussion on CCS integration and tariff consumer verification, and concluding updates on testing and project next steps.

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. The previous minutes for the TIWG meeting held on 24 February 2026 were approved as final.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

4. REVIEW OF ACTION LOG

No actions were open ahead of the meeting.

5. REVIEW OF GOVERNMENT RESPONSE

The Chair provided an overview of the Government Response published in May 2026, describing it as a key milestone confirming the phased delivery approach and establishing the regulatory and technical baseline for implementation. It was noted that Phase 1a arrangements had been implemented into the REC and licence framework, with Application Programme Interface (API) specifications, Energy Market Data Specification (EMDS) updates and standards documentation baselined.

The discussion highlighted that the programme had clearly transitioned from policy design into delivery, with suppliers expected to be actively progressing design, build and testing activities against the baselined artefacts. Phase 1b, relating to consumer-specific tariff information, remains linked to CCS and is expected to go-live in November 2027 with detailed design to be developed through further industry engagement and consultation.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

6. INTEGRATION WITH CONSUMER CONSENT SOLUTION

SJ provided an overview on the responses of the consultation issued on Tariff Interoperability (TI) in November 2025. Responses highlighted concerns over increased costs whilst introducing TI with its bespoke consent mechanism along a similar timeline to the progression of CCS and the future expectation that suppliers would be part of the CCS arrangement. The agreed approach therefore splits TI into two phases: Phase 1a, focusing on public tariff pricing data, and Phase 1b, delivering consumer-specific data via CCS.

The timeline alignment between CCS due to launch in March 2027 and TI due to launch in February 2027 was discussed, including the appointment of a CCS technical delivery partner

and the intention to consult on Phase 1b arrangements alongside CCS design outputs later in the year.

CB requested greater detail on the testing approach for Phase 1b. SJ confirmed that detailed information would be provided during the drafting consultation in Summer 2026.

SJ focused on the scope of the solution and what it entails from a governance and technical perspective. Both components were explored further as SJ informed members on how they were adapting compared to what was originally developed and sent out for November 2025 consultation.

Members sought insight on the governance implications of integration. It was confirmed that organisations seeking access to consumer-specific tariff data will become CCS Users, with RTI Users forming a subset of Authorised Third Parties (ATPs), and suppliers being classified as Energy Data Holders (EDHs). It was clarified that the previously proposed standalone TI User Agreement will no longer be required, with a single REC Access Agreement being used across CCS and TI services. Members noted that this approach reduces duplication and simplifies onboarding across multiple REC services.

Members raised questions regarding eligibility to access tariff and consumption data, including concerns around how broadly “delivery of services to consumers” is defined. It was acknowledged that the current drafting is intentionally flexible and not restricted solely to optimisation services, though this raised concerns around potential unintended usage scenarios, including competitive use of data.

It was confirmed that data exchange will remain a bilateral process between RTI Users and suppliers, with CCS acting solely as the consent management and authentication layer. CCS will not intermediate tariff data flows but will provide consent validation through a separate API. The integration will replace the standalone TI registers with a CCS directory holding information on RTI Users and TI Energy Suppliers, with both suppliers and RTI Users managing their own data. Public visibility of key register information will be retained, though the delivery mechanism is still to be finalised. SJ also explained the introduction of additional security requirements (e.g. mTLS) and the need for suppliers to validate CCS consent tokens before sharing data.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

ACTION RECTIWG_0604_01: DESNZ to consider third party consumer data sharing concerns and potential unintended market impacts arising from widespread access to tariff and consumption data.

7. TARIFF CONSUMER VERIFICATION

EVS presented the proposed consent model for consumer-specific tariff data. EVS explained that consumers would initiate consent via an RTI User, be redirected to CCS, and then be routed to their supplier to verify they are the account holder. Upon successful verification, CCS will capture consent and issue a token that can be used to request tariff data. It was confirmed that suppliers remain responsible for account holder verification, while CCS manages the granting and lifecycle of consent.

Members were asked whether consumers should be able to revoke consent directly via suppliers as well as via CCS. Member views were limited, with one supplier providing caveated support, on the basis that suppliers were likely to receive customer queries regardless of where consent was managed.

MR raised concerns regarding visibility, specifically whether suppliers would need to know which third parties' consumers have granted access to in order to support revocation, and the potential implications of this from both privacy and design perspectives. It was agreed to take this away as an action for further consideration.

Members raised issues surrounding the complexity of defining permissible use cases and ensuring appropriate safeguards. As well as the need to define liability and responsibility in cases were consent validation fails. EVS acknowledged these points as requiring further clarification through CCS governance and REC arrangements.

EVS discussed the consumer journey optimisation map created. An alternative verification approach was presented to reduce consumer friction where both tariff and consumption data are requested. The proposal suggested leveraging identity verification already completed for consumption data and performing an API-based validation with suppliers (e.g. matching MPxN and email) instead of requiring a full supplier login by the consumer.

Members expressed mixed views on this approach. While recognising the benefit of reduced friction, several participants noted the increasing complexity of the solution and suggested that such enhancements may be better introduced post go-live rather than in the initial Phase 1b delivery. Additionally, considerations were raised regarding the differences between "account holder" and "occupant" roles in CCS versus TI and the need to clearly define validation rules across these roles. EJ highlighted that there was a risk of overcomplicating the initial delivery and possibly impacting usability as a result. EVS agreed further design work, including "unhappy path" scenarios for example, erroneous transfers, loss of consent, was required before the approach was finalised.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

ACTION RECTIWG_0604_02: REC TIWG Members to provide answers to the questions on Slide 17 and 18 in the Meeting Deck posted on the REC Portal and email Tariffinteroperability@retailenergycode.co.uk by 12 June 2026.

8. UPDATE ON TESTING APPROACH IMPLEMENTATION WORKING GROUP

The Chair provided an update on Phase 1a testing, confirming that the programme has moved from planning into implementation. The testing objective is to ensure supplier APIs, the supplier register, and the monitoring tool operate as expected ahead of go-live.

The approach remains supplier-led testing supported by a test workbook, pilot testing through the IWG, and director-level attestation prior to go-live. Suppliers were encouraged to engage early and raise defects promptly to support timely resolution.

Members raised the importance of providing clear testing timelines, dependencies, and expectations within consultation materials, particularly to support internal planning. It was confirmed that more detailed testing artefacts will be included in future consultations.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

9. NEXT STEPS FOR THE TARIFF INTEROPERABILITY PROJECT

The Chair confirmed that the programme is now focused on implementation, testing, and operational readiness. Key activities include supplier implementation, development of monitoring tools, and consultation on API specifications and data standards.

For Phase 1b, ongoing engagement through TIWG and CCS forums will inform the design of consent and verification mechanisms, with a formal consultation expected later in 2026.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

10. AOB

Members sought clarification on timelines for Phase 1b requirements, with it confirmed that final requirements are expected to be available approximately nine months ahead of the November 2027 go-live. A further consultation on Phase 1b is expected in late Summer 2026.

A query was also raised regarding engagement with CCS requirements. It was confirmed that CCS-related impacts on suppliers will primarily be communicated through CCS Working Groups, with cross-working group alignment maintained.

The Chair thanked members for their continued engagement and participation, noting the programme's transition into delivery and the importance of ongoing industry collaboration. The meeting closed with a request for written feedback on key consent design questions circulated post-meeting.

Next meeting date: 02 July 2026