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REC TARIFF INTEROPERABILITY WORKING GROUP
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING	**RECTIWG_26_0922**
DATE	**22 September 2026, 14:00**
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
Eva Von-Schaxmann	Retail Energy Code Company	EVS	Committee Member
Nizar Hamood	Retail Energy Code Company	NH	Committee Member
Alan Davis	Retail Energy Code Company	AD	Committee Member
Angharad Cooksey	Retail Energy Code Company	AC	Committee Member
Richard Slack	Levelise	RS	Committee Member
Sam Stanhope	ESG Global	SS	Committee Member
Komal Brown	ScottishPower	KB	Committee Member
Matthew Roderick	Auth Energy	MR	Committee Member
Emma Johnson	Centrica	EJ	Committee Member
Daniel Hollingworth	Ohme	DH	Committee Member
Dinyar Baria	NESO	DB	Committee Member
Shannon Grehan	ElectraLink	SG	Committee Member
Sarah Mower	Candc UK	SM	Committee Member
Elisabeth Gaughan	Scottish Power	EG	Committee Member
Daniel Davies	ESG Global	DD	Committee Member
James Harrow	Geo Together	JH	Committee Member
Rik Temmink	Geo Together	RT	Committee Member

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Attendee	Representing	Initials	Role
Graeme Collyer	Electrorad	GC	Committee Member
Chris Howe	Mixergy	CH	Committee Member
Christine Harris	Mixergy	CHA	Committee Member
Frederik De Smet	Ford	FDS	Committee Member
Roisin Capone	EON Next	RC	Committee Member
Rhiannon Denyer	EDF Energy	RD	Committee Member
Shahzad Shakeb	OVO	SS	Committee Member
Rachel Mckim	British Gas	RM	Committee Member
John Hinsley	Glen Dimplex	JH	Committee Member
Conor Mullaney	Glen Dimplex	CM	Committee Member
Carl Dennis	Retail Energy Code	CD	Committee Member
Lee Sutton	Myenergi	LS	Committee Member
Montana Aeberhardt	Ofgem	MA	Committee Member
Christian Eloysio	Raidiam	CE	Committee Member
Caio Tranjan	Raidiam	CT	Committee Member
Peter Morgan	Energy Security	PM	Committee Member

1. INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees including presenters from the Consumer Consent Solution (CCS) Working Group to the REC Tariff Interoperability Working Group (TIWG) meeting held on 22 September 2026.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The Chair shared an overview of the agenda including updates on the Phase 1a Technical Specification Consultation, Phase 1a TI Energy Supply Message Retry Derogation Request, R0323 – Phase 1a Supplier Performance Assurance and Phase 1a Testing and Engagement Next Steps and Integration with CCS.

3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Code Manager received no comments or questions for the previous minutes. The minutes for the TIWG meeting held on 04 June 2026 were approved as final.

4. PHASE 1A TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION CONSULTATION UPDATE

The Chair provided an update on the Phase 1a Technical Specification consultation, noting that initial feedback had identified four key themes: the impact of large tariff volumes on response sizes, alignment of retry requirements with API design, clarification of tariff lifecycle treatment, and several specification consistency issues. The Chair explained responses are being reviewed and categorised as technical fixes, schedule or policy matters, operational responses, or future enhancements. A detailed review of the consultation responses will be formally published in October 2026.

RECTIWG Members noted the emerging themes from the consultation and that the detailed assessment of responses is ongoing.

5. PHASE 1A TI ENERGY SUPPLY MESSAGE RETRY DEROGATION REQUEST

AW presented a proposed derogation request for consideration by the September 2026 Performance Assurance Board (PAB). The issue had been identified through feedback received during the Phase 1a Technical Specification consultation and relates to message retry requirements placed on TI Energy Suppliers under Schedule 35.

AW explained that existing REC requirements require suppliers to retry delivery of certain tariff-related response messages three times at 20-second intervals and then every 60 minutes for up to 12 hours. However, review of the API design identified that this approach is not compatible with the RESTful API model, which is based on requests initiated and managed by the TI User. Under the API design, TI Users receive either a successful HTTP 200 response or an error message and are expected to determine whether a retry is required based on the response received. The proposed derogation therefore applies only to TI Energy Supplier retry obligations. TI Users would remain expected to apply the retry process before raising queries with suppliers.

Subject to PAB approval, the derogation will be communicated to impacted parties and the associated REC drafting changes incorporated as part of the Phase 1B consultation updates.

RECTIWG Members noted the rationale for the proposed derogation and the need to align REC requirements with the API design.

6. R0323 – PHASE 1A SUPPLIER PERFORMANCE ASSURANCE UPDATE

AW presented an update on the proposed Performance Assurance requirements for TI Phase 1a. The change introduces reporting requirements for TI Energy Suppliers covering performance measures, such as availability and response times, and ad hoc reporting on API error codes. It also includes reporting on tariff structures that fall outside the current TI API scope, mirroring existing licence obligations and providing a mechanism for monitoring such tariffs. The change seeks to reference the TI monitoring tool to improve transparency on how monitoring information is collected.

Four consultation responses were received and are under reviewed. Key areas under consideration include the scope of API error code reporting, clarification of which suppliers must report tariffs outside the API scope, and whether annual supplier self-certification requirements should be introduced for a limited period.

To allow further assessment of consultation feedback, a short extension to the change plan will be requested at the September 2026 PAB, with the final report expected to be presented to the October 2026 PAB.

RECTIWG Members noted the consultation feedback and the ongoing review of key policy and drafting points.

7. PHASE 1A TESTING AND ENGAGEMENT – NEXT STEPS

AD provided an overview of the key testing and engagement milestones leading to the Phase 1a go-live date of 18 February 2027. Following the closure of the API consultation, consultation responses are being reviewed and feedback triaged. Updated versions of the test approach and test workbook, incorporating feedback from earlier engagement and pilot activities, are expected to be published in late September 2026 or early October 2026.

The final API Technical Specification remains scheduled for publication at the end of October 2026. Ahead of formal testing, engagement is underway with suppliers to confirm whether participation in testing is mandatory or voluntary and to establish key contacts. CD noted that initial communications had already been issued by the Operational Account Manager (OAM) team, with further engagement planned during November 2026 to monitor build and testing progress, identify risks, and provide support where required.

Key readiness milestones were highlighted, including suppliers providing endpoints by 31 December 2026, completion of mandatory testing and submission of director-level attestation by 08 January 2027, and completion of wider pre-live readiness activities by 03 February 2027. These milestones are intended to support final assurance activities ahead of the planned go-live date.

Members queried whether a standard template would be provided for the director-level attestation. AD confirmed that a template is being developed and will be shared with suppliers to ensure a consistent approach. It was also confirmed that supplier readiness will be monitored through ongoing engagement, follow-up assessments and bilateral discussions with suppliers and TI Users.

RECTIWG Members noted the testing timeline, key readiness milestones and planned engagement activities supporting delivery of Phase 1a.

8. INTEGRATION WITH CCS

EVS provided an overview of the proposed integration between TI and the CCS, focusing on how customer permissions, tariff data access and ongoing event notifications will operate. Under the proposed model, suppliers will authenticate account holders during the permission journey, while CCS will act as the central source of permission records.

Discussion focused on the practical operation of the permission process. Members queried how RTI Users would identify the correct supplier before initiating a permission request, with confirmation that this responsibility would sit with the RTI User. Questions were also raised regarding support for non-domestic customers, with clarification that the design would support both domestic customers and the in-scope non-domestic market covered by Phase 1a.

Further discussion centred on the proposed token-based security model used to access account-specific tariff information. Members sought clarification on the use of refresh and access tokens, associated security controls and the implications of a refresh token being lost. It was confirmed that lost refresh tokens could not be recovered and would require the customer permission journey to be repeated.

EVS also explained the proposed use of the Shared Signals Framework (SSF) to support permission lifecycle notifications and tariff event notifications. Questions were raised regarding stream verification, monitoring arrangements and supplier visibility of RTI User information. It was confirmed that suppliers would be able to identify the RTI User requesting access to data during the permission journey. Suppliers would also be able to see all registered RTI Users through the CCS directory functionality

Members reviewed the proposed tariff event notifications, including tariff changes, change of supplier, change of occupier and supplier cessation events. Discussion focused particularly on change of occupier notifications and the responsibility of RTI Users to assess whether permissions remain valid and revoke them where appropriate.

The proposed permission revocation process was outlined, including customer-initiated revocations, RTI User identified revocations and CCS queries. Members questioned whether there should be a mechanism to require previously shared data to be deleted following revocation, EVS noted the point for further consideration.

Members were reminded of the ongoing CCS consultation and the forthcoming TI Phase 1b consultation. It was confirmed that CCS-specific elements, including permissions, tokens and lifecycle notifications, are being consulted on separately from the bilateral supplier and RTI User interactions that will form part of the Phase 1b consultation. Members were encouraged to review both the CCS and forthcoming Phase 1b consultations.

RECTIWG Members noted the update.

ACTION RECTIWG_26_0922_01: Code Manager to circulate the CCS/TI business process maps in the post-meeting communications.

ACTION RECTIWG_26_0922_02: RECCo to review queries relating to non-browser access routes and the treatment of previously shared data following permission revocation.

ACTION RECTIWG_26_0922_03: Members to review and provide feedback on the CCS consultation and forthcoming Phase 1b consultation.

9. AOB

No AOB was presented by Members. The Chair thanked Members for their contributions and the meeting was closed.