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REC METERING EXPERT PANEL
MEETING MINUTES

MEETING	**RECMEP_26_1014**
DATE	**14 October 2026, 10:00**
LOCATION	**By teleconference**

Attendee	Representing	Initials	Role
Steve Brand	Code Manager	SB	Committee Chair
Edma Hyskaj	Code Manager	EH	Secretariat
Glenn Sheern	Code Manager	GS	Head of Regulatory Specialists
Bela Ashworth	Code Manager	BA	Change Delivery Manager
Poppy Mullins	Code Manager	PM	Change Analyst
Jemma Johnson	RECCo	JJ	Market Design Lead
Rebecca Griffiths	RECCo	RG	Metering Services Delivery Manager
Martin Brailsford	Meter Operator Agent	MB	Committee Member
Dean Berry	Meter Asset Manager	DB	Committee Member
Richard Hill	Supplier Representative	RH	Committee Member
Chris Varney	Supplier Representative	CV	Committee Member
Warren Lacey	Distribution Network Operator	WL	Committee Member
Stephen Thun	Gas Transporter	ST	Committee Member
Lee Walker	Elexon	LW	Observer
Scott McPhillimy	Ofgem	SMc	Observer

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1. INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed attendees to the REC Metering Expert Panel (RECMEP) meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECMEP Members were invited to provide comments on the Draft Minutes of the meeting held on 09 September 2026. No comments were provided so the Draft Minutes were approved as final by the members.

3. REVIEW OF ACTION LOG

There were no outstanding actions ahead of the meeting.

4. R0328 – REMOVAL OF D0383 & D0384 REQUIREMENTS FROM SHARING MTDS PROCESS

RECMEP Members were updated on R0328 – Removal of D0383 & D0384 requirements from Sharing MTDs process.

BA explained that Schedule 14 – Metering Operations and Schedule 34 – Marketwide Half-Hourly Settlement (MHHS) Migration currently require the Meter Operator Agent (MOA) to send the D0383 / MM00370 Notification of Commissioning Information Market Message to the Electricity Supplier, Data Service, Distribution Network Operator (DNO) and Data Collector. This requirement did not exist in the legacy (non-MHHS) arrangements and were incorrectly added into the Schedules by the MHHS Programme. The same Schedules also contain requirements for the MOA to send the D0384 / MM00372 Notification of Commissioning Status Market Message to all of the above Parties. Under the legacy (non-MHHS) arrangements there was only a requirement for the MOA to send this to the Electricity Supplier, and again the other Parties were added in error by the MHHS Programme. The proposed solution therefore looks to remove these incorrect additions from the Schedules as they are not required, and impossible to fulfil as the Scenario Variants for the MOAs to send these Market Messages to these Parties do not exist.

It was noted that no central system costs or anticipated Party costs had been identified. The change would remove incorrect obligations and provide greater clarity regarding when the D0383 and D0384 messages should be sent.

A consultation was run between 14 August 2026 and September 2026 receiving six responses from two Distribution Network Operators (DNOs), two Metering Equipment Managers (MEMs) and two Energy Suppliers. All respondents supported the Change Proposal and its implementation, with no comments raised on the proposed solution or legal text. One DNO queried how it had received D0384 messages where the relevant scenario variant did not exist within the Energy Market Data Specification (EMDS); the Code Manager advised that this should be raised directly with ElectraLink as the responsible body for the Data Transfer Service Agreement (DTSA).

No central system or Party costs were identified with benefits including the removal of incorrect obligations from REC Schedules 14 and 34 and providing clarity to Parties on when to send the D0383 and D0384. Respondents supported the Code Manager's assessment of costs and benefits, the proposed Self-Governance Change Path, the implementation date of 06 November 2026, and the Code Manager's recommendation to approve the change. No amendments were made following consultation.

RECMEP **NOTED** the update and, in line with the recommendation from the Code Manager, unanimously:

- **APPROVED** the proposed solution.
- **APPROVED** the proposed implementation date of 06 November 2026.
- **APPROVED** the proposed implementation approach of big bang.

5. I0335 – INTRODUCTION OF DEFINED ELECTRICITY METERING WORK CATEGORIES FOR METERING ACCREDIATION

RECMEP Members were made aware of the Information Request (IR) for 'I0335 – Introduction of Defined Electricity Metering Work Categories for Metering Accreditation'.

PM highlighted that they were seeking industry views on the introduction of six Electricity Metering Work Categories for Metering Accreditation. WL questioned what the six categories were, PM noted the proposed categories as:

- Whole Current Single Phase
- Whole Current Single Phase off Polyphase
- Whole Current Polyphase
- Safe Isolation Provider (SIP)
- Low Voltage Current Transformer (CT)/ Voltage Transformer (VT) Metering Installations
- High Voltage CT/VT Metering Installations

WL noted DNOs as an impacted party, as they authorise Meter Operatives to work through either the Consolidated Metering Code of Practice (CoMCoP) or through their own authorisation process. PM confirmed that the Issue would be updated as requested and explained that the Consolidated Metering Code of Practice (CoMCoP) does not presently differentiate for the scope of competence. PM established that it would support how REC parties are audited and added that it should not impact the current obligations or arrangements between DNOs and Parties authorisations.

PM then informed Members that the IR for I0335 would remain open until 23 October 2026 and a link to the IR was distributed.

RECMEP **NOTED** the update.

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6. R0268 – CONSEQUENTIAL CROSS-CODE CHANGE FOR BSC P441 - COMPLEX SITE CLASSES CREATION

RECMEP Members were provided with an update on the 'R0268 – Consequential Cross-Code Change for BSC P441 - Complex Site Classes Creation'.

BA noted that Metering Expert Panel had previously approved the proposed solution and implementation date at their meeting on 11 March 2026. However, following an Ofgem send-back letter received on 27 August 2026, further consideration of the implementation date was required to ensure alignment across the wider cross-code change package, including BSC P441 - Creation of Complex Site Classes and DCUSA DCP424 - Use of System charging for Complex Sites. BA explained that the expected submission of DCP424 to Ofgem had moved beyond the previously proposed R0268 decision and implementation dates. As a result, the implementation timetable for R0268 was no longer aligned with the associated cross-code changes. A second consultation was therefore issued on 11 September 2026, proposing that R0268 be implemented on the same date as P441, subject to a minimum of five Working Days between the Authority decision and implementation.

Four responses were received from one Energy Supplier, two DNOs and one MEM. All respondents supported the revised implementation approach. One respondent noted that P441 did not contain an updated reference to the minimum five-working-day period. BA confirmed that engagement had taken place with the BSC and DCUSA change leads to support alignment and that the respondent's feedback had been shared with the BSC. The five Working Day minimum was also intended to provide sufficient time for the REC Release team to prepare for an extraordinary release, if required.

It was also noted that discussions relating to DCP424 remained ongoing and could potentially result in further consequential changes to R0268 and P441. No changes to the R0268 proposed solution were anticipated, with the Code Manager continuing to liaise with the relevant cross-code change leads.

No questions were raised by Members.

RECMEP **APPROVED** the recommendation to the Authority to approve the proposed implementation date of "the same date as P441, with a minimum of 5 Working Days between Authority Decision and implementation".

7. MONTHLY CHANGE TRACKER UPDATE

RECMEP Members were provided with updates on four items on the change tracker that impacted the Metering Expert Panel (MEP).

- I0273 - Sharing of SSC and TPR Information for MHHS Smart and Advanced Meters – On 05 October 2026, the MEP voted to approve the extension to plan via an ex-committee vote.

- I0335 - Introduction of Defined Electricity Metering Work Categories for Metering Accreditation – IR was raised on 01 October 2026 and is scheduled to close on 23 October 2026.

- R0339 - REC Change to align with BSC CP Clarify Supplier obligations for IF-002 messages where a Switch is cancelled - Consultation closed on 07 October 2026; the final recommendation will be presented to MEP on 11 November 2026.

- R0342 – Enabling Dual MSA & MSS (SVA MOA) appointments for WC connection types – Following approval at the 06 October 2026 Change Panel, MEP was approved as the Responsible Sub-Committee for R0342. The consultation is now open until 26 October 2026 to align with the lead BSC CP1650 – Extending the lapse period for Smart to Advanced Change of Market Segment.

RECMEP **NOTED** the update.

8. METERING HUB UPDATE

RECMEP Members were asked for updates on the Metering Hub, RG provided insights into recent engagement of the Hub.

RG highlighted that during September 2026 Metering Hub visitors increased by 15% compared with August 2026 and were 22% above average, while MEP sessions increased by 3%. Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) views doubled, although DNO downloads decreased.

The Consolidated Metering Code of Practice (CoMCoP) Mark launched successfully on 30 September 2026, supported by targeted communications, REC Portal materials and LinkedIn promotion. Initial engagement was positive, with Hub access to the Mark assets increasing from 19 at launch to 53 by 13 October 2026, which indicated continued interest following launch.

MB also mentioned that a potential issue concerning a faulty regulator had been identified and that it was being investigated to validate and understand the impacts of it. MB would keep the MEP updated on the issue but explained it would be more relevant to manufacturers.

RECMEP **NOTED** the update.

9. AOB

6.1. Forthcoming Operational Metering Forum

RECMEP Members were informed of the upcoming Electricity Operational Metering Forum on 11 November 2026.

6.2. Guidance for Service Termination Issue Reporting (STIR) Update

MB provided Members with an update on the work group that was established to review the STIR Guidance document in further detail. Remote sessions were previously held to review the administrative elements of the document; a face-to-face session has been scheduled for the end of November 2026 to review the technical details.

6.3. Rebranding of AMO to Metering UK

MB also informed Members that the AMO had been rebranded to Metering UK and welcomed further engagement from Safe Isolation Providers (SIPs) and other industry parties. SB suggested attending the November 2026 Operational Metering Forum to present the update.

6.4. 2026 Annual Committee Survey (Metering Expert Panel)

RECMEP Members were reminded to complete the 2026 Annual Committee Survey – Metering Expert Panel by 16 October 2026.

Next meeting date: 11 November 2026

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