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NON-CONFIDENTIAL CONSOLIDATED CONSULTATION RESPONSES

R0102 – REVISION OF THE APPROVED SOLUTION FOR R0032

On 31 March 2023, the Code Manager issued an Impact Assessment to industry to seek feedback on the revision of the approved solution for R0032.

The purpose of this document is to consolidate the responses and for the Code Manager to answer any questions raised within those responses.

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Question 1:	Do you agree with the changes proposed to the approved solution for R0032? If not, please explain why.	
RESPONDENT DETAILS	**RESPONSE**	**CODE MANAGER COMMENTS**
Scottish Power (MEM)	The proposed changes are still being assessed but we do not see anything at the moment that we disagree with.	Noted, thank you.
IMServ (MEM)	Yes, I agree.	Noted, thank you.
SMS Plc (MEM)	Yes, we do agree with the proposed changes. SMS were one of the MEMs that questioned the reasoning behind not updating the version number.	Noted, thank you.
UKPN	• The first part of this change would impact MPRS as it changes the version number of the D0312 from 002 to 003. However, SCS are aware of this, and provision is being made to include this is a patch for MPRS R8.2 ahead of June go live. • From a UKPN perspective, we will also need to change internal eWay subscriptions accordingly and update the ElectraLink gateway rules for this updated flow version. • For the second part of the change, it doesn't look like a new valid value is being introduced in the "Number of Displayed Register Digits" field as it's just the logic to derive a value which is being updated (need this assumption confirming) • We believe this would therefore only impact the MOPs as the originating party as MPRS should just be quoting back their information in the D0312 response it creates.	Noted, thank you. Noted, thank you. This assumption is correct - the logic for populating the item has been updated. Noted, thank you.

British Gas (Energy Supplier)	Yes. The proposed changes to the approved solution for R0032 seem sensible – they are making necessary adjustments.	Noted, thank you.
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National Grid Electricity Distribution (DNO)	Yes, we agree with the proposed changes.	Noted, thank you.
Northern Powergrid (DNO)	Yes	Noted, thank you.
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UK Power Distribution (DNO)	Our response is the same of our service provider St. Clements which we have read and understood.	Noted, thank you.

Question 2:	Does the current decision date of 26 April 2023, provide your organisation with enough lead time to develop R0032 in preparation for implementation on 30 June 2023? If not, please explain why the implementation date cannot be met and what additional time would be needed.	
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Scottish Power (MEM) Confidential		
IMServ (MEM)	Yes, as long as we know what to expect in respect to the flow version number we can plan accordingly, the date is acceptable.	Noted, thank you.
SMS Plc (MEM)	Yes, we will have time to implement the update to meet the 30th of June.	Noted, thank you.
British Gas (Energy Supplier)	We are still fine for delivery for 30th June. We will proceed on the basis the change will be accepted, as we see no reason it will be rejected.	Noted, thank you.
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National Grid Electricity Distribution (DNO)	Our Service Provider has advised that MPRS R8.2 has already been made available to LDSOs for install. A patch is required to implement R0102. These is sufficient time for SCS to Develop and Test the release, providing the requirements are not extended beyond the proposed solution. However, we are concerned that LDSOs may not have enough time to deploy the patch before the June 2023 window. To Support a June 2023 go live and give LDSOs enough time to develop, MPRS R8.2.1 will need to be developed at risk ahead of industry approval.	Noted, thank you.

	A delay to November 2023 would impact the MHHS R9.0 Release, likely causing a delay to MHHS Programme level 1 milestones.	
Northern Powergrid (DNO)	MPRS R8.2 has already been made available to LDSOs for installation and internal testing. A patch is required to implement R0102. Please see SCS comments - the delivery of the patch required for this change is achievable providing there are no further extension of requirements, though consideration will need to be given on testing impacts to LDSOs. We support a June 2023 go live but, also mentioned by SCS, note that MPRS R8.2.1 will need to be developed at risk ahead of industry approval. A delay to November 2023 would impact SCS MHHS R9.0 Release and therefore LDSO testing and implementation, which is likely causing a delay to MHHS Programme level 1 milestones.	Noted, thank you.
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Question 3:	Would the approval of this change result in additional costs being incurred by your organisation? If so, please provide details.	
RESPONDENT DETAILS	**RESPONSE**	**CODE MANAGER COMMENTS**
Scottish Power (MEM)	Yes. There are additional changes that will require development and testing. We cannot provide the actual cost until the impact assessment has been completed.	Noted, thank you.
IMServ (MEM)	No, we don't anticipate any additional costs.	Noted, thank you.
SMS Plc (MEM)	Yes, at present we are having to develop the solution using 002, there will be additional (minimal) development time to change it to 003; one day's development. However, we agree with this change and would prefer that the flow version be 003.	Noted, thank you.
British Gas (Energy Supplier)	N/A	Noted, thank you.
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National Grid Electricity Distribution (DNO)	Our Service Provide will be required to provide a patch to implement R0102, therefore additional costs will be incurred by our organisation.	Noted, thank you.
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Question 4:	Has your organisation started development on R0032?	
RESPONDENT DETAILS	**RESPONSE**	**CODE MANAGER COMMENTS**
Scottish Power (MEM)	No.	Noted, thank you.
IMServ (MEM)	Yes, as a Wheatley MOP user, Wheatley will develop the solution for the collective SMUG user group. Work on the design documentation started in Dec 2022 and development is now underway.	Noted, thank you.
SMS Plc (MEM)	Yes.	Noted, thank you.
British Gas (Energy Supplier)	Yes	Noted, thank you.
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National Grid Electricity Distribution (DNO)	We have already received MPRS R8.2 from our service provide to install.	Noted, thank you.
Northern Powergrid (DNO)	MPRS Release 8.2, which includes functionality for CP1558 and R0032 has been received for implementation and testing in readiness for June go-live. R0102 will require a patch on R8.2 to change the already delivered D0312 functionality, which will need implementation and further testing.	Noted, thank you.

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Question 5:	Do you have any additional comments?	
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Scottish Power (MEM)	As this change has been approved since last November it is frustrating that these additional changes have been published now without any prior notification.	The Code Manager acknowledges the frustrations from Parties. This change has been raised in response to queries raised post-impact assessment, consultation and approval and is required to make sure that the R0032 solution is in a workable state for Parties. The Code Manager informed the REC Change Panel about the need for this Urgent Change Proposal on the 21 March and at the the Technical Expert Panel on the 29 March. This was subsequently followed up by REC communications to all Parties on the 29 March, ahead of, and in addition to, the Initial Assessment report being issued for comment and prior to the impact assessment period opening for formal response.

IMServ (MEM)	These comments won't affect the solution, but I do question if it's advisable to include very specific references to flow data items in the D0312/SV00256 Flow Structure documentation. By quoting the individual SMETS meter types it creates a connection between the documentation and market data, if market data (MDD) changes then the document needs to change. Possibly there are more efficient way to provide the necessary information without going into specifics, for example: All '1 phase' SMETS2 meters are 5 dial, and all '3 phase' SMETS meters are 6 dial, the installing MEM can identify the type of meters they are installing, and are therefore can select the correct number of dials. Where "S1", "S2" or "2"' is quoted, these represent all SMETS meter types, the MEM is already aware of what meter types are 'SMETS', simply quoting 'SMETS Meter Types' is equally as accurate.	As the approved R0032 solution already notes a number of meter types, the remaining types have been added to cover off the ambiguity point raised by industry. If in the future newer meter types are added, then we could look to amend the rule to this suggestion. We would know of any change to meter types as they would need to be added via a Change Proposal (as in R0010).
SMS Plc (MEM)	We agree with the change to specific displayed register digits against meter type; we already have this in hand and therefore we have not mentioned it in our previous answers.	Noted, thank you.
British Gas (Energy Supplier)	Please can you review your dates in the Change Proposal, as some seem to be incorrect (re appeals).	The appeal window is slightly longer to accommodate the May Bank Holiday to ensure the full 10 Working Days are provided.
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National Grid Electricity Distribution (DNO)	The Market Message MM00256 – D0312 Notification of Meter Information to MPAS - The Notes state "See Annex C for Flow Notes" – this should be removed as "Annex C" no longer exists.	Annex C has been provided on the Data Specification Dashboard as it was noted to be critical for Parties to design Market Messages. The Code Manager is

		investigating where this information should be stored within the REC on an enduring basis.
Northern Powergrid (DNO)	N/A	
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