



**Consultation on the date for re-
designation of the S1SR covering SMETS1
FOC Uplift 2.2**

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1. Introduction and Context

This document is a further consultation on the date to incorporate a new version of Appendix AM – SMETS1 Supporting Requirements Document (S1SR) into the Smart Energy Code (SEC) to support the enrolment of first-generation smart meter devices (SMETS1) in the national smart meter communications network managed by the Data and Communications Company (DCC).

This consultation, on behalf of the Secretary of State, covers regulatory changes to support SMETS1 Uplift 2.2 for the Final Operating Capability (FOC) cohort.

2. Background

2.1. Changes for SMETS1 Uplift 2.2

On 27 July 2021 DCC issued a consultation proposing changes to the S1SR to support Uplift 2.2 for FOC¹. This consultation closed on 20 August 2021. On 14 September 2021, DCC published the conclusions to that consultation and a further consultation on the S1SR to support Uplift 2.2.² This consultation closed on 28 September 2021 and DCC published its conclusions to this consultation on 05 October 2021.³

In the consultation of 27 July 2021, DCC sought views on behalf of the Secretary of State on a proposed re-designation date for the S1SR of 14 September 2021 in line with the expected go live date for Uplift 2.2 asking “Do you have any comments on the draft direction included in Attachment 1 or on the proposed date of 14 September 2021 or as soon as reasonably practicable within 1 month thereafter for re-designation of the S1SR?”. DCC has established that it is not possible to go live with Uplift 2.2 in line with this date and anticipates going live on 3 November 2021.

As this date falls outside of 14 September 2021 or as soon as reasonably practicable within 1 month thereafter, DCC is consulting on a new date for redesignation of the S1SR into the SEC.

3. Next Steps

DCC has discussed the re-designation of the S1SR with the Department for Business Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) and it is proposed that the S1SR should be re-designated in line with the go live of Uplift 2.2 which DCC anticipates will be 3 November 2021. In order to facilitate the re-designation of the S1SR, DCC is now seeking views, on behalf of the Secretary of State, on the proposed date for re-designation of the S1SR for SMETS1 Uplift 2.2, as well as the draft direction which is presented in Attachment 1 of this consultation document for stakeholder consideration.

Following the closure of this consultation, DCC will submit a conclusions document to BEIS on the outcome of this consultation. DCC is aiming to provide the consultation response to BEIS no later than 27 October 2021.

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Do you have any comments on the draft direction included in Attachment 1 or on the proposed date of 3 November 2021 or as soon as reasonably practicable within 1 month thereafter for redesignation of the S1SR?

¹ [DCC Consultation on Changes to the S1SR for FOC Release 2.2 | Smart DCC](#)

² [SMETS1 Conclusions & Further Consultation on changes to support Uplift 2.2 for the FOC cohort | Smart DCC](#)

³ <https://www.smartdcc.co.uk/customer-engagement/smets1-conclusions-on-changes-to-the-smets1-supporting-requirement-to-support-uplift-22/>

4. How to Respond

Please provide responses by 1600 on Tuesday, 26 October 2021.

Consultation responses may be published on our website www.smartdcc.co.uk. Please state clearly in writing whether you want all or any part, of your consultation to be treated as confidential. It would be helpful if you could explain to us why you regard the information you have provided as confidential. Please note that responses in their entirety (including any text marked confidential) may be made available to the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) and the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority (the Authority). Information provided to BEIS or the Authority, including personal information, may be subject to publication or disclosure in accordance with the access to information legislation (primarily the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the Data Protection Act 2018 and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004). If BEIS or the Authority receive a request for disclosure of the information we/they will take full account of your explanation (to the extent provided to them), but we/they cannot give an assurance that confidentiality can be maintained in all circumstances. An automatic confidentiality disclaimer generated by your IT system will not, of itself, be regarded by us as a confidentiality request.

If you have any questions about the consultation documents, please contact DCC via consultations@smartdcc.co.uk.

Attachment 1

This attachment contains the text that BEIS plans to use for direction of changes to the S1SR.

S1SR Draft Direction Text

This direction is made for the purposes of the smart meter communication licences granted under the Electricity Act 1989 and the Gas Act 1986 (such licences being the "DCC Licence") and the Smart Energy Code designated by the Secretary of State pursuant to the DCC Licence (such code being the "SEC").

Words and expressions used in this direction shall be interpreted in accordance with Section A (Definitions and Interpretation) of the SEC.

Pursuant to Condition 22 of the DCC Licence and Section X5 (Incorporation of Certain Documents into this Code) of the SEC, the Secretary of State directs that, with effect from [DD MM YYYY], the SMETS1 Supporting Requirements previously designated and incorporated into the SEC as Appendix AM is hereby re-designated and incorporated in the form set out in Annex [XX] to this direction.

For the avoidance of doubt such re-designation of the SMETS1 Supporting Requirements shall be without prejudice to anything done under the DCC Licence or the SEC on or after this document first being designated, or to the continuing effectiveness of anything done under this document prior to its re-designation (which shall have effect as if done under the re-designated document).

This direction is also being notified to the SEC Administrator.