

SMETS1 Conclusion - Migration DUST Closure for FOC (NP)

A SMETS1 conclusion on a consultation on proposals by DCC to end the provision of Migration DUST for the FOC (NP) cohort (where GroupID = "EB")

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1. Introduction and Context

A number of energy suppliers have installed first generation smart devices (known as SMETS1 devices) in consumers' premises across Great Britain. The Data Communications Company (DCC) has designed a solution for the enrolment of SMETS1 devices into its network. Part of DCC's plan to deliver SMETS1 Services involves an approach for migrating SMETS1 Installations into DCC's systems.

On 4 August 2022, DCC issued the Migration DUST Closure for FOC (NP) consultation¹ to seek views on a regulatory change to the Migration Testing Approach Document (MTAD) to decommission the Migration DUST Testing Service only for the FOC (NP) cohort from 30 September 2022.

This document provides a response to that consultation consistent with the requirements for DCC to modify MTAD set out in SEC Variation Testing Approach Document for SMETS1 Services (SMETS1 SVTAD) which is Appendix AK in the Smart Energy Code² (SEC).

2. Stakeholder Engagement

This section details DCC's stakeholder engagement that has taken place in relation to the proposed regulatory changes.

2.1. Questions

Table 1 below details the questions that were presented in the public consultation.

MDUST Close FOC (NP) Q1	Do you agree with DCC's proposals to close Migration DUST for FOC (NP) from Sunday 30 September 2022 (or within one month thereafter) as captured by the proposed changes to the MTAD? Do you have any detailed comments on the relevant changes to the legal drafting? Please provide a rationale for your views.
MDUST Close FOC (NP) Q2	Do you agree with the proposed modification date of 23 September 2022 (or within one month thereafter) for the changes to the MTAD?

Table 1 - Consultation Questions - Initial Closure Matters

2.2. Responses

Stakeholders were invited to respond to the consultation by 16:00 on Friday 2 September 2022 using the response template³ that was provided.

DCC received a written response from two respondents regarding this consultation.

3. Analysis of Responses

DCC has analysed the feedback provided and views of stakeholders. Subject matter experts within DCC have reviewed each response.

¹ <https://www.smartdcc.co.uk/consultations/smets1-consultation-migration-dust-closure-for-foc-np/>

² The current version of the SEC is available from <https://smartenergycodecompany.co.uk/the-smart-energy-code-2/>

³ <https://www.smartdcc.co.uk/media/nhhdfxdj/smets1-consultation-migration-dust-closure-for-foc-np-response-template.docx>

DCC has structured the analysis of responses by question, providing an overview of the comments received and DCC's reply including a statement on any areas of disagreement.

3.1. Closure of Migration DUST for FOC (NP) (where GroupID = "EB") (MDUST Close FOC (NP) Q1)

DCC sought views on plan to close Migration DUST for the FOC (NP) cohort from 30 September 2022 as there is now no demand for this testing service asking: *"Do you agree with DCC's proposals to close Migration DUST for FOC (NP) from Sunday 30 September 2022 (or within one month thereafter) as captured by the proposed changes to the MTAD? Do you have any detailed comments on the relevant changes to the legal drafting? Please provide a rationale for your views."*

3.1.1. Respondents' Comments / DCC Analysis / Clarifications

All respondents provided a response to this question.

All respondents supported the proposed closure of Migration DUST for FOC (NP) from 30 September 2022.

As set out in the consultation document, DCC had previously discussed closure of Migration DUST for FOC (NP) cohort with the only Responsible Supplier operating Active Meters for FOC (NP). Prior to consultation, this Responsible Supplier confirmed that it had no further demand for Migration DUST for the FOC (NP) cohort. This Responsible Supplier did not respond in the consultation timeframe but has subsequently confirmed to DCC that they support closure of Migration DUST for the FOC (NP) cohort, which DCC has taken into account in its decision making.

3.1.2. Areas of Unresolved Disagreement

n/a

3.1.3. Summary

DCC concludes it is appropriate to close Migration DUST for FOC (NP) from 30 September 2022 as captured by the proposed changes to the MTAD.

The specific date for closure of Migration DUST for FOC (NP) is expected to be 30 September 2022 as set out in Section 5 below.

There are no changes to the MTAD arising from the consultation.

DCC proposes that it brings forward the relevant modification to the MTAD.

3.2. Modification Date for the MTAD (MDUST Close FOC (NP) Q2)

DCC sought views on DCC's plans for modification of the MTAD between 23 September 2022 and 23 October 2022 asking: *"Do you agree with the proposed modification date of 23 September 2022 (or within one month thereafter) for the changes to the MTAD?"*

3.2.1. Respondents' Comments / DCC Analysis / Clarifications

All respondents provided a response to this question.

All respondents supported the proposed Modification date for the MTAD.

3.2.2. Areas of Unresolved Disagreement

n/a

3.2.3. Summary

DCC concludes it is appropriate for it to modify the MTAD between 23 September 2022 and 23 October 2022.

It is now proposed to modify the MTAD on 23 September 2022 in order to close Migration DUST on 30 September 2022 via modification to the MTAD.

4. Conclusions

DCC intends to amend the MTAD with the changes proposed in this consultation given the responses received.

Consistent with the requirements set out in Clause 4.2 of the SMETS1 SVTAD, DCC is of the view that it has undertaken appropriate consultation with stakeholders in relation to the proposed amendments to the MTAD.

DCC is confident that the MTAD submitted to the Secretary of State reflects the requirements for document submission. DCC has, where necessary, addressed the comments that have been received from industry and where appropriate, has sought additional feedback from respondents. DCC does not believe that the views expressed result in fundamental amendments to the MTAD and as such further consultation is neither necessary nor appropriate.

It is DCC's view that it has met its SEC obligation to consult with parties and to address the points raised and identify those comments that have not been resolved. DCC is of the view that it has met its regulatory obligation as set out in the SEC.

The updated MTAD is in line with the overall testing design for the SMETS1 Service and other relevant documents.

DCC considers that:

- the updated MTAD is defined to a sufficient level of detail for amendment by DCC;
- this document provides an overarching framework which sets out clearly and unambiguously parties' rights and obligations which are consistent / and aligned with the rest of the SEC requirements in relation to SMETS1 Services; and
- this document is materially complete, and the content is technically accurate.

In summary, DCC considers that the MTAD is fit for purpose.

5. Next Steps

DCC has submitted this conclusions report to the Secretary of State on the date of publication of this document. DCC will publish its conclusions report on the DCC Website and notify SEC Parties.

DCC considers that, having followed the process in Clause 4.2 of the SMETS1 SVTAD, it is appropriate to amend the MTAD.

Subject to the Secretary of State not directing otherwise, DCC plans to issue a notice to modify the MTAD on 23 September 2022 with the MTAD being modified and Migration DUST to close on 30 September 2022 for the FOC (NP) cohort.

DCC will notify the SEC Administrator and an updated version of the MTAD to reflect these changes will be available on the SEC website in due course.

6. Attachments

Attachment	Title
1.	MTAD 3.0 Draft Redlined
2.	MTAD 3.0 Draft Clean

Table 2 - Attachments