



Response to DECC: Consultation on changes to equipment installation requirements and the governance arrangements for technical specifications

We are comfortable with these proposed amendments. We have no objection in principle to the HAN definition but as stated in our consultation response to HAN installation obligations, we do not agree with the proposals to place obligations on suppliers to find solutions where the standard Zigbee HAN will not work. Resolutions to these issues must be delivered through the DECC Smart Metering Implementation Programme.

Q1. Do you agree with our proposed approach and legal drafting for meeting our policy intention of requiring energy suppliers to install DCC provided communications hubs with SMETS 2 meters at domestic premises, and requiring the DCC to provide energy suppliers with CHTS-compliant communications hubs? Please provide a rationale for your views.

We are comfortable with the proposed approach to the amendments to incorporate requirements for suppliers to install DCC provided communications hubs and for the DCC to provide suppliers with compliant communications hubs for installation.

Do you agree with the proposed approach and legal drafting in relation to requirements to comply with the technical specifications for PPMIDs and HCALCS where such devices are installed? Please provide a rationale for your views.

We agree with the proposed amendments for suppliers to comply with technical specifications extant at the time when installing PPMID or HCALCS.

Do you agree with the proposed approach and legal drafting to allow that more than one version of SMETS can be extant in the future? Please provide a rationale for your views.

Yes. We look forward to working with DECC over the coming months to deliver arrangements for enrolling SMETS1 meters in DCC, and also pragmatic arrangements to manage the cut over between SMETS1 and SMETS2.

Do you agree with our proposed approach and legal drafting concerning the incorporation of the SMETS into the SEC? Please provide a rationale for your views.

Yes.