# Summary Information

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| Topic: | Consultation on Initial Pallet Validation for GBCS4.1 CH Firmware |
| Due Date: | 31 March 2023 |
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# Responses to the consultation questions on the CH&N workshop

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| Number | Question | Response |
| IPV Q1 | Please can you confirm whether you will you be taking part in GBCS 4.1 CH FW UIT Testing. If yes, please provide details of:  • the variants (WNC/Toshiba/EDMI – SB / DB) you intend to test in UIT  • which of the seven customer journeys you will test against in UIT  1. Installation & Commission;  2. Change of Payment mode;  3. Change of Tariff;  4. Change of Tenancy;  5. Change of supplier;  6. Prepayment Top-up; and  7. GBCS 4.1 feature of PPMID device OTA (new for GBCS 4.1)? | [please add your response here  NB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| IPV 2 | Do you support the addition of an IPV phase to the GBCS 4.1 plan, which will use existing CH hardware models (i.e. 2G/3G CHs) to increase confidence in GBCS 4.1 compliant Communications Hub firmware?  Please set out your reasoning, which will include:  • what benefits you hope to gain;  • what elements you seek to prove in IPV against the scope of the release and your proposed plans based on a three-month IPV period  Please note the following as part of your consideration:  • GBCS 4.1 CH firmware is an update to existing CH hardware models and DCC is not introducing any new Comms Hub Hardware model.  • Energy Suppliers participating in GBCS 4.1 CH FW UIT testing will be covering key customer journeys with their chosen meters/device installation business scenarios. This activity forms a key input for Operational Acceptance for OTA Pilot deployment.  • A successful OTA Pilot is already a key input to manufacturing of Comms Hub with GBCS 4.1 CH FW. | [please add your response here  NB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| IPV 3 | If you support IPV for GBCS 4.1 CH FW, please can you detail what you intend to prove through an IPV process against scope of the release. Please provide details of your proposed plans?  This will further support DCC Operations in understanding the Mass Manufacture Operational Criteria and consider whether this needs further considerations.) | [please add your response here  NB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| IPV 4 | Please provide your views on whether to consider the following option instead of the proposed IPV using newly manufacture CHs with GBCS 4.1 Firmware.  The following proposal being tabled as per would run in parallel to Mass OTA Deployment:  • If the Pilot Phase is successful, DCC would look to provide OA to refurbish CH to GBCS 4.1 instead of mass manufacturing;  • DCC would refurbish an amount (to be agreed) to GBCS 4.1 and deliver these to Energy Suppliers. DCC would require a timeline and agreement from CSP to proceed with this option;  • OA Criteria for Mass Manufacture would be 50% installation of the total agreed refurbishment installation volumes. | [please add your response here  NB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| IPV 5 | Which of the following options do you prefer:  Option 1: Do not include an IPV Phase – follow the normal process of successful UIT by energy suppliers, successful pilot, successful mass deployment, manufacture at GBCS 4.1 CH FW  Option 2: Plan an IPV phase for all variants of CHs;  Option 3: Plan an IPV phase with limited variants of CHs – SB Only;  Option 4: Plan an IPV phase with limited variants of CHs – DB Only; or  Option 5: Consider using refurbished CH at GBCS 4.1 CH FW in line with Q4.  Please provide rational for your reasoning. | [please add your response here  NB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| IPV 6 | Do you agree that DCC should propose to extend the In Supply JIP milestone as per diagram 4 if the Initial Pallet Period goes ahead? Do you think there should be an alternate date for the JIP milestone? Please provide the rationale for your reasoning. | [please add your response here  NB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |