



SMDA Co Membership Joining Pack

SMDA Co Background

Smart Metering Device Assurance has been established by a number of Suppliers, Manufacturers and Meter Asset Providers to provide a central assurance regime to encompass the testing of smart metering devices are interoperable with the DCC total systems and interchangeable with other devices from a different manufacturer. This is essential to ensure Suppliers can control devices they have not installed when they inherit or replace them.

This testing regime is managed by the SMDA Scheme Operator (SMDA SO) which is then overseen by the SMDA Co, a company limited by guarantee and jointly operated by Energy UK, BEAMA, the Energy Utilities Alliance (EUA) and Community of Meter Assets Providers (CMAP).

The SMDA Scheme is a voluntary scheme with the majority of the Supplier, Manufacturer and financier communities included in our membership. Our members have committed to guiding their procurement and manufacturing through the SMDA Scheme so as to avoid unnecessary costs being incurred through customer churn. Membership of the SMDA Scheme costs £2,500 plus VAT initial joining fee followed by an annual subscription fee of £2,250 plus VAT (fee reviewed annually). This provides access to the full range of testing at reduced rates as well as input into Working Group meetings and discussions.

Membership Joining Process

SMDA Co membership is open to any organisation which can benefit from its services which is anticipated to be a mix of core Energy Suppliers, Meter Asset Providers and Smart Metering equipment manufacturers and other non-core members.

Prospective members are required to fill out the membership application form and then submit this to the SMDA Scheme Operator. Once received this form will be submitted to the Board for approval, which should be confirmed within 5 working days.

Should an application be accepted by the Board the SMDA Co will invoice the applicant member for the initial joining fee of £2,500 plus VAT. In the subsequent years SMDA Co will invoice its members annually in April for their subscription fee of £2,250 plus VAT (fee reviewed annually).

Once Board approval has been given the applicant company will have access to all SMDA Co and Scheme services subject to their successful invoicing. Once the invoicing has been complete the applicant company is a member of the SMDA Co.

Member Application Categories

The three core categories of entity eligible to apply for membership to SMDA scheme are as follows:

- Energy Suppliers
 - Members are defined as a person licenced by Ofgem to supply gas and/or electricity in Great Britain
- Manufacturers of relevant smart devices
 - Members are defined as a company manufacturing smart metering equipment, who has or is expected to submit a device into the SMDA assurance process. Devices in scope include ESME, GSME, IHD, PPMID and HCALCS.
- Meter Asset Provider
 - Members are defined as person or persons supplying or financing metering equipment.
 - MAP members must be listed on the Elexon Market Domain Data database as a Meter Asset Provider.

In the event of an applicant not belonging to any of the three core categories above, the SO will assess the applicant suitability for membership. The assessment will include but not be limited to whether there are any conflicts of interest between the applicant and SMDA Scheme and whether the SMDA Scheme would benefit from membership of the applicant party.

Actions after Joining

Following Board approval, the applicant party will be provided two invoices relating to SMDA Membership and SMDA Subscription.

- The SMDA Membership is strictly a one-off payment for access to all SMDA Co and Scheme services.
- The SMDA Subscription is an annually recurring fee paid in April of each year, the fee level is reviewed annually.

Subsequently, the applicant will receive the following:

- SMDA Website log in details, for access to relevant SMDA Scheme documentation
- Inclusion in email distribution lists for Scheme news