ご意見の内容及びご意見に対するご回答

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No	該当箇所	ご意見の内容	ご回答
1	_	無線マルチホップ方式に関するご質問	We will decide the issue you questioned when selecting each communication system ご質問いただきました内容に つきましては、今後、通信方式 選定時に決定する予定です。
2	スマートメーター通信機能のセキュリティ機能強化について	 ◆ 弊社では、スマートメータ通信機能の中で、プライバシーの保護や偽造の対策としてセキュリティ機能は必要不可欠な項目ではありますが、近年高まる高度な偽造技術などに対応して、一層の機能強化が必要であると考えます。 ・ 様々な論理的なセキュア機能は、ソフトウェアでのみ実装される例も多々ありますが、セキュリティ専用のプロセスが実行する演算装置、また大切な秘密情報を保存するストレージデバイスなどがソフトウェアのみでの対策では高度な攻撃に対しての脆弱性があります。 ・ セキュリティに関するプロセスが実行するには、セキュリティ専用のマイクロコントローラを実装することにより、国際的な認証取得レベルで担保された確実なセキュリティ強度の実装が実現できます。また端末の信頼性との強固な連携が可能となります。 ・ 設置場所の特性で、あらゆる物理的攻撃を考慮しなければならない点で、できる限り先端の偽造技術に耐えうる効率的な方法でできる限り通信のセキュリティ機能、信頼性を高めていただくことが必要と考えます。 	Thank you for your comments. We will consider your comments on the whole system in selecting communication method or designing our system. And we will decide the specification concerning security and hand-held terminal you questioned when selecting communication method or designing our system.

提案:

- セキュリティ専用のマイクロコントローラ(セキュアマイクロコントローラ)は、一般的な プロセッサと異なり、国家プロジェクト(パスポート、IDなど)や金融関係で実績のある ものであり、常に最先端の脅威や課題に取り組んできており、国際的なセキュリティーす。 認証でその堅牢さが認められています。近年、これらのセキュアマイクロコントローラ|ご質問いただきましたセキュリ の実装が、情報セキュリティ製品に広く採用され始めており、ネットワーク通信への「ティやハンディーターミナルに 実装も始まっています。
- このセキュアマイクロコントローラを使用したスマートメーターの通信機能の強化に ついては、開発コストなどの低減や実務での負荷を減らす方法が提案可能です。
- 既存の標準ネットワークセキュリティ専用のソリューションとの連動でも、かなりのセ キュリティレベルの向上が考えられます。
- セキュアマイクロコントローラが効率的に関われるセキュリティソリューションに、 SSL/TLS と言う世界で最も多く使われているネットワークセキュリティ専用の仕組み があります。
- また、TCG(TrustedComputingGroup)で提案されているTNC(Trusted Network Connect)と言うものもあります。
- これらのネットワークセキュリティ専用の既存の仕組みは世界的に影響力のある情 報機器技術の企業が多く参加し、機能強化について意見を交わし、標準規格の策 定をおこなっております。ネットワークセキュリティに関しても多くのドキュメントをリリ 一スしております。高いセキュリティ技術を汎用性、相互運用性が高いもので実現が 可能です。
- またもう一方に、セキュリティ機能を実装するさいの開発負荷や実行時間の最適化 を考慮した独自の一括ソリューション(AuKev ソリューション)があります。これは基 本的に共通鍵暗号方式を採用し、MDMSと各端末:スマートメータ間での認証を実 現するもので、処理速度とセキュリティ強度が効率よく実装することが可能です。

いただいたご意見は、通信方 式の選定評価やシステム設計 時の参考とさせていただきま

関する仕様につきましては、 通信方式選定やシステム設計 時に決定する予定です。

(英語)

English summary for Opinion ::

- We have understand that security function and its robustness need to be improved stronger as latest threat has more professional hacking techniques, and pure software protection mechanism are not strong enough to protect about the network communication itself.
- In order to improve the system and network communication process more robustness, we think secure microcontroller base solution should be one of good solution.
- As secure micro controller has enough market experience with significant important project like government and financial service, its adaptation area is coming more IT area include network communication.
- We have three different solution ;
 - AuKey :: proprietary optimized solution to minimize the stress of the secure process but gives highest security function as turn key solution.
 - > SSL/TLS :: As one of most famous technology, many of application and system of the current infrastructure has been relying on this method.
 - To synchronize with a secure micro controller (TPM etc), significant enhancement of secure robustness can be made, with almost standard solution.
 - TCG / TNC :: TCG(Trusted Computing Group) is the standard body to promote advanced secure technology for widely promoted to every IT segment (from PC client to infrastructure, include network connection). TCG has specific network security WG; TNC (Trusted Network Connect) which give enhanced secure solution with more interoperability, and can be maximize its security robustness with standard secure microcontroller called TPM which is defined same TCG.

質問:

1. Does the system has to follow the protection profiles submitted by the BSI? 貴社システムはドイツBSI から提出されたスマートメーターシステムに関するセキュリティ用プロテクションプロファイルについて適応を予定されていますでしょうか?

	1		T I
		"Protection Profile for the Security Module of a Smart Metering System	
		(Security Module PP) V0.8.3"	
		 Protection Profile for the Gateway of a Smart Metering System v01.01.01(final 	
		draft)	
		2. With an Handheld terminal on site when communication network is not available between	
		smart-meter and MDMS	
		通信ネットワークに異常がある場合の、ハンディーターミナルでの直接操作について;	
		What is the level of security required with handheld terminal (data protection,	
		smart-metering recognition?)	
		ハンディーターミナル自身のセキュリティのレベルはどの程度のものなのでしょう	
		か?	
		(データ保護、スマートメーターの認証などについて教えて下さい。)	
		Which technology is used for communication between Handheld terminal &	
		smart-meter (IR , NFC)?	
		ハンディーターミナルとスマートメーター間の通信方式はどのようなものをお考えでし	
		ょうか?(赤外線通信、NFC、など)	
		<理由>	
		TCG (Trusted Computing Group):	
		http://www.trustedcomputinggroup.org	
		TCG: TNC Network Security	
		http://www.trustedcomputinggroup.org/solutions/network_security	
		及び添付資料: TEPCO Smartgrid - RFC apr20b.pdf	
3	_	<意見内容>	Thank you for your comments.
		一般的に、電力線通信 (PLC) は、大規模な AMI システム導入のための、信頼性が高く、成	We will consider your
		熟した, 且つコスト・パフォーマンスに優れた技術であることが証明されています. 特に 4,000	comments in selecting

万台以上のメータ導入実績を持つ "Meters & More" PLC の技術はすでに世界中で問題なく 展開されています.

新しいRF Mesh 技術は確かに興味深い内容ですが、PLC のインフラと相補的な技術として検討される前に、システム性能、無線のセキュリティとノイズ耐性レベル、通信プロトコルの安定性、そして相互運用性を検証するための大規模なフィールドテストが必須になります。 PLC については、日本の LV および MV の送電網で何回かのフィールドテストがすでに行われており、日本の環境下でも効果的に導入することができます。 MV-LV 間のトランス越えの成功もすでに確認されているため、PLC、特に "Meters & More" PLC は、日本国内の高層建物だけでなく住宅区域および農村地域に対しても、最もコスト・パフォーマンスに優れた、且つ信頼性の高いソリューションです。

(英語)

In general, Power Line Communication is demonstrated to be a reliable, mature and cost-effective technology to implement massive AMI systems. In particular, more than 40M meters implementing "Meters&More" PLC technology have been already successfully deployed worldwide.

Emerging RF Mesh technologies are interesting but should need extensive pilots before being considered as complementary to PLC infrastructure, to verify system performances, wireless security and immunity levels, protocol communication stability and interoperability issues. PLC can be effectively adopted even In the Japanese context, as demonstrated by several field tests performed by TNJ association in real LV and MV Japanese networks. In particular the demonstrated ability to pass through MV/LV transformers makes PLC and especially "Meters&More", the most cost-effective and reliable solution in Japan not only in high-rise-buildings, but also in common residential and rural areas.

communication method.

We basically aim to adopt an established standard. We will evaluate each system by RFP and demonstration examinations in terms of cost efficiency, technical advantage, expected future growth.

We will further consider the PLC technology concerning the effects on our distribution facilities.

いただいたご意見については 今後の通信方式選定時に参 考にさせていただきます。通 信方式の選定においては、コ スト、技術の優位性、今後の 普及や長期利用の見込み等 の見極めが重要となるため、 確立された標準規格の採用を 原則として、今後、RFP と技術 実証により詳細に評価する予 定です。

なお、PLC 方式については、 既存配電設備への影響の有 無等を含め検討していきたい

			と考えております。
4	Slide 17 - A	<意見内容>	Thank you for your comments.
	concentrator is	COMMENT#1	We will consider your
	installed for each	PLC technology has been demonstrated capable to pass through MV/LV transformers. In	comments on PLC technology
	transformer to	fact, the recent tests performed by TNJ association in Japan have been very successful	in selecting communication
	ensure the	especially for Meters&More PLC technology which is already massively deployed in LV	method from the standpoint of
	communication	networks in Europe.	reducing total cost.
	quality considering	By passing through transformers, the Japanese and US network scenarios can be compared	
	transmission loss	to European one since the number of customer (meters) per concentrator can be extended	いただいたPLC方式について
	passing through	to several hundred, so making PLC a performing and cost-effective solution even in Japan.	のご意見は、トータルコスト低
	transformer. (The		減の観点から、今後の通信方
	number of customer	<理由>	式選定時に参考にさせていた
	is 10 to 20 per	Attach here reference to TNJ report	だきます。
	transformer)		
5	Slide 18 - PLC : Not	<意見内容>	Thank you for your comments.
	suitable for wide	COMMENT#2	We will consider your
	range coverage due	Refer to COMMENT #1	comments on PLC technology
	to its low		in selecting communication
	aggregation	<理由>	method from the standpoint of
	efficiency to the	Refer to COMMENT #1	reducing total cost.
	concentrator		
			いただいたPLC方式について
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			減の観点から、今後の通信方
			式選定時に参考にさせていた
			だきます。

6	Slide 18: RF mesh:	<意見内容>	Thank you for your comments.
	Low power	COMMENT#3	We will consider your
	consumption due to	Above statement is true in general considering the single node in the network due to low TX	comments on power
	low-power radio	allowed power, but an energy estimation should be done at the network/system level.	consumption in selecting
		Furthermore, even using a RF mesh architecture, having limiting the maximum TX signal	communication method from
		power can have communication reliability issues in case of long node-to-node,	the standpoint of reducing
		node-to-concentrator distances and/or in case of infra-node metallic shields presence	total cost.
		〈理由〉	いただいた消費電力について
		Energy consumption should be considered at system level. Typically, in a low power mesh	のご意見は、システム全体の
		network, a message before reaching the gateway (concentrator) needs to go through many	消費電力低減の観点から、今
		nodes. Each of them spends energy to process and re-transmit data packets. The overall	後の通信方式選定時に参考
		energy balance could be not so advantageous respect to other network architectures. For	にさせていただきます。
		example, PLC technology is able to control node power output depending on concentrator /	
		meter channel condition (power control) so using low power in best channel conditions and	
		high power in very harsh ones. Furthermore, a repeating message function can be	
		automatically activated when direct communication concentrator-meter is not possible and	
		in general to extend network communication distances.	
7	Slide 18: RF mesh	<意見内容>	Thank you for your comments.
	has an advantage in	COMMENT#4	We will consider your
	running cost since it	This statement is also true for PLC technologies	comments on PLC technology
	doesn't need		in selecting communication
	communication fee		method from the standpoint of
	for each meter.		reducing total cost.
			いただいたPLC方式について
			のご意見は、トータルコスト低
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effectiveness is improved also in this Japanese scenario, making PLC technology very cost 観点から	、今後の通信方式選
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AMI with communication based on PLC are fully deployed at worldwide level in all scenarios	
(urban, high-density urban, rural ones). For example, 40 millions of meters running PLC	
meters&more are already installed and successfully operating on field.	
In particular, "Meters&More" technology is already a consolidated open standard	
specification defined by European CENELEC regulations (to become soon adopted also by	
the International Electro-technical Commission IEC Organization) and it can be openly	
improved, if needed, to include optional features fitting specific requirements of Japanese	
market. For example, Meters&More field tests have been recently performed in Japan with	
single- or dual-channel carrier frequencies (115kHz, 132kHz) allowing higher transmission	

		power (350mW) by ARIB regulations. As a result, close 100% communication success rate	
		has been achieved in many different conditions including long distances over MV cables,	
		MV-LV transformer passing and stable communication under very high noisy environments	
		(e.g. with LED lighting)	
9	Slide 25:	<意見内容>	Thank you for your comments.
	Communication	COMMENT#6	We will consider your
	units simultaneously	Meters&More protocol is inherently resilient to congestion, its Master/Slave nature	comments on the
	transmitting	guarantee that a meter only communicate under Concentrator control, avoiding any possible	Meters&More protocol in
	30-minute meter	congestion on the PLC channel.	selecting communication
	readings cause		method from the standpoint of
	congestion;	<理由>	curbing the network
	therefore,	The Meters&More Master/Slave architecture, which is based on the fact that every meter	congestion
	transmission to the	only communicate under concentrator control, always guarantees two conditions:	
	MDMS in near real	- No congestion on the PLC medium	いただいた Meters&More プロ
	time, the	- Every high-priority message can be immediately forwarded to the destination meter, the	トコルについてのご意見は、ネ
	requirement of the	priority management is centralized at the Concentrator side and is therefore inherently	ットワークの輻輳抑制という観
	smart meter	effective and predictable, not relying on CSMA mechanisms, randomized back-off times and	点から、今後の通信方式選定
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	network, becomes		す。
	difficult		