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Energy management systems will more and more become necessary due to change from fossil and nuclear to renewable production and the associated decentralization. Since an appropriate standard for a home and building management is in preparation this document specifies how sets of products from multiple manufacturers can exchange information with Home and Building / Customer Energy Management Systems, located in a home network or in the cloud.

This document focuses on interoperability of household appliances and describes the necessary control and monitoring. It defines a set of functions of household and similar electrical appliances. The functions in this document cover next to energy-management main remote-control and – monitoring use cases.

This document does not deal with safety and security requirements. Safety requirements have been set in the IEC 60335 series [1]¹.

IEC 63510 series provides interoperability on information exchange among various appliances in the home. The IEC 63510 series is split into 4 parts:

- IEC 63510-1, *Household appliances network and grid connectivity – Part 1: General requirements, generic data modelling and neutral messages*
- IEC 63510-2, *Household appliances network and grid connectivity – Part 2: Product Specific mappings, details, requirements and deviations*
- IEC 63510-3-x, *Household appliances network and grid connectivity – Part 3: Specific Data Model Mapping*
- IEC 63510-4-x, *Household appliances network and grid connectivity – Part 4: Communication Protocol Specific Aspects*

Data communication heavily depends on the environment of appliances. Sometimes low bitrate or energy efficient communication puts strict requirements to selected communication technologies. Therefore, popular and de facto standards had been and will be developed by the industry to fulfil such requirements. To not influence common data modelling for appliances because of such restrictions, the standardized data models and neutral message structures need to be applied to communication technologies.

This standard series therefore is intended to separate data modelling and neutral message structure from the attached communication.

Part 1 defines general requirements, generic data modelling and generic neutral messages without relation to any specific communication technology or any product specific layout.

Part 2 lists and specifies product specific requirements and implementation guidance based on the generic data model and generic neutral messages.

Part 3 defines the mapping of neutral messages to examples of typical data models like SPINE, OCF, and so forth. These data models are neither mandatory nor to be seen as complete spectrum of data models.

Part 4 defines the mapping of neutral messages to examples of typical communication protocols. These communication protocols are neither mandatory, nor do they provide an exhaustive list of communication protocols.

¹ Numbers in square brackets refer to the Bibliography.

1 Scope

This document specifies the application of relevant transport protocols for Home and Wide Area Networks as well as cloud connectivity; in this case, SPINE (Smart Premises Interoperable Neutral-Message Exchange), SPINE-IoT, and SHIP (Smart Home IP).

This document is part of the IEC 63510 series, which defines the information exchange between Smart Appliances and management systems in homes and buildings including energy management.

2 Normative references

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3.1

CA

Certificate Authority

Certification Authority

entity which can provide a digital signature for certificates

Note 1 to entry: Other SHIP nodes can check this digital signature with the certificate from the CA itself, the "CA-certificate".

3.2

Commissioning Tool

<SHIP> instrument to establish the trust between different devices in the smart home installation, e.g. distribute trustworthy credentials from some SHIP nodes to other SHIP nodes

Note 1 to entry: E.g. a smart phone, a web server or a dedicated device can embody the role of a commissioning tool. So far, the SHIP specification does not specify a commissioning tool; an interoperable protocol for commissioning can be used on the layer above SHIP.

Note 2 to entry: A manufacturer may also use their own solutions.