






Part A: Generic

DCUSA Change Proposal (DCP)		At what stage is this document in the process?
<h1>DCP 285</h1> <p>DCP Title: Schedule 23, Appendix 1 SLC References</p> <p>Date raised: 12 October 2016</p> <p>Proposer Name: Kevin Woollard</p> <p>Company Name: British Gas</p> <p>Company Category: Supplier</p>		<p>01 – Change Proposal</p> <p>02 – Consultation</p> <p>03 – Change Report</p> <p>04 – Change Declaration</p>
<p>Purpose of Change Proposal: The intent of this change is to remove references to Supply Licence Condition (SLC) 12.16 in Schedule 23, Appendix 1 and replace them with the updated SLC references.</p>		
	<p>Governance:</p> <p>The Proposer recommends that this Change Proposal should be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Part 2 Matter Treated as a Standard Change Proceed to Change Report <p>The Panel will consider the proposer’s recommendation and determine the appropriate route.</p>	
	<p>Impacted Parties: All DCUSA Parties</p>	
	<p>Impacted Clauses: Schedule 23</p>	

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Indicative Timeline			
The Secretariat recommends the following timetable:			
Initial Assessment Report		19 October 2016	
Change Report Approved by Panel		16 November 2016	
Change Report issued for Voting		18 November 2016	
Party Voting Closes		09 December 2016	
Change Declaration Issued to Parties		13 December 2016	
Implementation		Next Scheduled Release after approval	

1 Summary

What

The intent of this change is to remove references to SLC 12.16 in Schedule 23, Appendix 1 and replace them with the updated SLC references.

Why

SLC 12.16 has been removed and replaced with SLC 12. A. Appendix 1 of the DCUSA still refers to SLC 12.16 (which has been deleted) and contains no reference to SLC12A (which replaced and expanded on SLC12.16). This CP has been raised to ensure that references to SLCs are updated in the DCUSA.

How

To update the SLC references,

- Remove the text relating to SLC 12.16 and update the main body of Appendix 1 as follows:
 1. Para 4 (Responsibilities of Parties) – reference SLC 12A.1 to 12A.6.
 2. Para 9 (Visit Procedure/Gaining Entry) – reference SLC 12A.11(a) and (h)
 3. Para 11 (Conduct of Investigations) – reference SLC 12A.11(e).
 4. Para 12 (Collection and Retention of Evidence) – delete reference to meter inspection obligation (which has been removed from SLC 12).
 5. Para 13 (Treatment of Vulnerable Customers) - reference SLC 12A.11(a), (c) and (d).
 6. Para 14 (Information to Customers) - reference SLC 12A.11(h).
 7. Para 15.2 (Theft of Electricity Confirmed) - reference SLC 12A.11(d) and (g).
 8. Para 15.7 (Assess ability to pay) - reference SLC 12A.11(b), (c) and (e).
 9. Para 15.9 (Maintenance of Records) – reference SLC 12A.12.
 10. Para 15.12 (Reports) – reference SLC 12A.14.

2 Governance

Justification for Part 1 and Part 2 Matter

This Change Proposal has no material impact on DCUSA Parties and therefore has been classed as a Part 2 matter.

Requested Next Steps

This Change Proposal should:

- Be treated as a Part 2 Matter
- Be treated as a Standard CP
- Proceed to Change Report

3 Why Change?

Supply Licence Condition 12.16 has been removed and replaced with SLC 12A. Appendix 1 of the DCUSA still refers to SLC 12.16 (which has been deleted) and contains no reference to SLC12A (which replaced and expanded on SLC12.16).

Part B: Code Specific Details

4 Solution and Legal Text

Legal Text

Legal text is to be developed by the DCUSA Legal advisor.

5 Code Specific Matters

Reference Documents

Electricity Supply Licence Conditions

6 Relevant Objectives

Please Note: *Charging Methodology Change Proposals should only be assessed against the DCUSA Charging Methodology Objectives and the General Change Proposals should be assessed on DCUSA General Objectives.*

Only Change Proposals impacted by both Charging and General objectives are to be assessed on both General and Charging Objectives.

DCUSA Charging Objectives	Identified impact
Please tick the relevant boxes. [See Guidance Note 10] <input type="checkbox"/> 1 that compliance by each DNO Party with the Charging Methodologies facilitates the discharge by the DNO Party of the obligations imposed on it under the Act and by its Distribution Licence	Positive/Negative/None
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 that compliance by each DNO Party with the Charging Methodologies facilitates competition in the generation and supply of electricity and will not restrict, distort, or prevent competition in the transmission or distribution of electricity or in participation in the operation of an Interconnector (as defined in the Distribution Licences)	Positive/Negative/None
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 that compliance by each DNO Party with the Charging Methodologies results in charges which, so far as is reasonably practicable after taking account of implementation costs, reflect the costs incurred, or reasonably expected to be incurred, by the DNO Party in its Distribution Business	

<input type="checkbox"/> 4 that, so far as is consistent with Clauses 3.2.1 to 3.2.3, the Charging Methodologies, so far as is reasonably practicable, properly take account of developments in each DNO Party's Distribution Business	Positive/Negative/None
<input type="checkbox"/> 5 that compliance by each DNO Party with the Charging Methodologies facilitates compliance with the Regulation on Cross-Border Exchange in Electricity and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.	Positive/Negative/None
DCUSA General Objectives Please tick the relevant boxes.	Identified impact
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 The development, maintenance and operation by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of efficient, co-ordinated, and economical Distribution Networks	Positive/Negative/None
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 The facilitation of effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity and (so far as is consistent therewith) the promotion of such competition in the sale, distribution and purchase of electricity	Positive/Negative/None
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 The efficient discharge by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of obligations imposed upon them in their Distribution Licences	Positive/Negative/None
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 The promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the DCUSA	Positive impact – refers to the correct licence condition
<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Compliance with the Regulation on Cross-Border Exchange in Electricity and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.	Positive/Negative/None
This change will be better facilitated by DCUSA General Objective 4 as it refers to the correct SLC.	

7 Impacts & Other Considerations

The proposed change does not have an impact on Parties or systems as it is updating the references to the SLCs within the DCUSA

Does this Change Proposal Impact Other Codes?

BSC

- CUSC
- Grid Code
- MRA
- SEC
- Other
- None

Please tick the relevant boxes and provide any supporting information.

Consideration of Wider Industry Impacts

N/A

Confidentiality

N/A

8 Implementation

Proposed Implementation Date

Next scheduled release after approval.

9 Recommendations

The Code Administrator will provide a summary of any recommendations/determinations provided by the Panel in considering the initial Change Proposal. This will form part of a Final Change Report.

Part C: Guidance Notes for Completing the Form

Ref	Section	Guidance
1	Attachments	Append any proposed legal text or supporting documentation in order to better support / explain the CP.
2	Governance	<p>A CP must be categorised as a Part 1 or Part 2 matter in accordance with Clause 10.4.7 of the DCUSA. All Part 1 matters require Authority Consent.</p> <p>Part 1 Matter</p> <p>A change Proposal is considered a Part 1 Matter if it satisfies one or more of the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) it is likely to have a significant impact on the interests of electricity consumers; b) it is likely to have a significant impact on competition in one or more of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. the generation of electricity; ii. the distribution of electricity; iii. the supply of electricity; and

		<p>iv. any commercial activities connected with the generation, distribution or supply of electricity;</p> <p>c) it is likely to discriminate in its effects between one Party (or class of Parties) and another Party (or class of Parties);</p> <p>i. it is directly related to the safety or security of the Distribution Network; and</p> <p>ii. it concerns the governance or the change control arrangements applying to the DCUSA; and</p> <p>iii. it has been raised by the Authority or a DNO/IDNO Party pursuant to Clause 10.2.5, and/or the Authority has made one or more directions in relation to it in accordance with Clause 11.9A.</p> <p>Part 2 Matter</p> <p>A CP is considered a Part 2 Matter if it is proposing to change any actual or potential provisions of the DCUSA which does not satisfy one or more of the criteria set out above.</p>
<p>3</p>	<p>Related Change Proposals</p>	<p>Indicate if the CP is related to or impacts any CP already in the DCUSA or other industry change process.</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>Proposed Solution and Draft Legal Text</p>	<p>Outline the proposed solution for addressing the stated intent of the CP. The Change Proposal Intent will take precedence in the event of any inconsistency. A DCUSA Working Group may develop alternative solutions.</p> <p>The plain English description of the proposed solution should include the changes or additions to existing DCUSA Clauses (including Clause numbers).</p> <p>Insert proposed legal drafting (change marked against any existing DCUSA drafting) which enacts the intent of the solution. The legal text will be reviewed by the Working Group (if convened) and is likely to be subject to legal review as part of its progress through the DCUSA change process.</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>Proposed Implementation Date</p>	<p>The Change can be implemented in February, June, and November of each year or as an extraordinary release. For Charging Methodology CPs, select an implementation date which takes into consideration the minimum notice periods for publishing tariffs. These are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 months, for DNOs acting within their Distribution Services Areas; or • 14 months, for IDNOs and DNOs acting outside their Distribution Services Area. <p>Please select an implementation date that provides sufficient time for the Change to be incorporated into the appropriate charging model and the DCUSA in order to be reflected in future tariffs.</p> <p>Contact the DCUSA helpdesk for any further information on the releases dcusa@electralink.co.uk.</p>

6	Impacts & Other Considerations	Indicate whether this Change Proposal will be impacted by or have an impact upon wider industry developments. If an impact is identified, explain why the benefit of the Change Proposal may outweigh the potential impact and indicate the likely duration of the Change.
7	Environmental Impact	Indicate whether it is likely that there would be a material impact on greenhouse gas emissions as a result of the proposed variation being made. Please see Ofgem Guidance .
8	Confidentiality	Clearly indicate if any parts of this Change Proposal Form are to remain confidential to DCUSA Panel (and any subsequent DCUSA Working Group) and Ofgem
9	DCUSA General Objectives	Indicate which of the DCUSA Objectives will be better facilitated by the Change Proposal.
10	Detailed Rationale for DCUSA Objectives	Provide detailed supporting reasons and information (including any initial analysis that supports your views) to demonstrate why the CP will better facilitate each of the DCUSA Objectives identified.
11	DCUSA Charging Objectives	Indicate which of the DCUSA Charging Objectives will be better facilitated by the Change Proposal. Please note that a CDCM or EDCM change may also facilitate the DCUSA General objectives.
12	Defining 'Material' for Charging Methodology Changes	In respect of proposals to vary one or more of the Charging Methodologies, such proposals shall be deemed to be "material" if they might reasonably be expected to have a significant impact on the tariffs calculated under one or more of the methodologies.