

DCUSA DCP 304 CHANGE DECLARATION**VOTING END DATE: 11 JUNE 2018**

DCP 304	WEIGHTED VOTING				
	DNO	IDNO	SUPPLIER	DISTRIBUTED GENERATOR	GAS SUPPLIER
CHANGE SOLUTION	Accept	n/a	Accept	n/a	n/a
IMPLEMENTATION DATE	Accept	n/a	Accept	n/a	n/a
RECOMMENDATION	<p>Change Solution – Accept.</p> <p>In respect of each Party Category that was eligible to vote, the sum of the Weighted Votes of the Groups in that Party Category which voted to accept the change solution was more than 50% in all Categories.</p> <p>Implementation Date – Accept.</p> <p>In respect of each Party Category that was eligible to vote, the sum of the Weighted Votes of the Groups in that Party Category which voted to accept the implementation date was more than 50% in all Categories.</p>				
PART ONE MATTER	Part One Matter – Authority Determination Required				

PARTY	SOLUTION (A / R)	IMPLEMENTATION DATE (A / R)	WHICH DCUSA OBJECTIVE(S) IS BETTER FACILITATED?	COMMENTS
DNO PARTIES				
Electricity North West	Accept	Accept	We believe that General Objective 4 will be better facilitated by this change. It provides Meter Operators acting as Supplier Agents with permission to carry out additional work, in certain circumstances, to complete more meter exchanges which will improve the efficiency of the smart meter rollout. Additionally, it provides improvements to an existing process by reducing the need for repeat visits, which will have a positive impact on all industry parties and indeed the customer.	
Northern Powergrid (Northeast) Ltd	Accept	Accept	We agree with the proposer's assessment of general objectives 2, 3 and 5 are better facilitated by this change for the same reasons given in the change report.	The acceptance of the Proposal is subject to a further review of the Legal Text by Northern Powergrid.
Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc	Accept	Accept		
SP Distribution plc	Accept	Accept	Agree that General Objectives 2, 3 and 5 are better facilitated for the reasons included in the Change Report.	None
SP Manweb plc	Accept	Accept		
Southern Electric Power Distribution plc	Accept	Accept	We agree with the Working Group's findings that General Objectives 2, 3 and 5 are better facilitated for the reasons set out in the Change Report.	
Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution plc	Accept	Accept		

Eastern Power Networks	Accept	Accept	<p>We believe that this change proposal better facilitates DCUSA General Objective Two by reducing the number of aborted metering jobs, which should increase the efficiency of the roll out of smart meters.</p> <p>DCUSA General Objective Three will also be better facilitated as existing permissions will be extended to any electricity supplier to undertake required metering work.</p>	<p>It's not clear what communications third party suppliers must make with each impacted customer prior to commencing works.</p>
London Power Networks	Accept	Accept		
South Eastern Power Networks	Accept	Accept		

SUPPLIER PARTIES				
British Gas	Accept	Accept	<p>We agree that the change proposal will better facilitate DCUSA objectives two, three and five for the following reasons:</p> <p>The Change Proposal better facilitates DCUSA General Objective Two by reducing the number of aborted meter work jobs, where under the present circumstances meter operators would have no alternative but to abort the work and contact the Supplier whose metering installation they need to work on. This will increase the efficiency of smart meter roll out and the reduction in overall costs will have a positive impact on consumers.</p> <p>The Change Proposal also better facilitates</p>	<p>We note that CP0090M has already been approved by DNOs and Meter Operators under the MOCOPA subject to approval of DCP304. CP0090M is the equivalent MOCOPA change to DCP304.</p>

			<p>DCUSA General Objective Three as the DCUSA currently provides generic permissions from distribution licensees and registered electricity suppliers to facilitate works on electricity metering at customer premises by gas suppliers and registered electricity suppliers. This change will extend those permissions to any electricity supplier and therefore improves competition in supply of electricity which will better facilitate the efficient discharge by DNO and IDNO parties of standard licence condition 4 of the electricity distribution licence.</p> <p>The Change Proposal also better facilitates DCUSA General Objective Five as two main EU directives are providing the drivers for smart metering in Europe, as referenced in the European Smart Metering Landscape Report: "With the requirements of Art. 13 of the so-called Energy Services Directive (2006/32/ED, ESD) and the adoption of the Directive on the internal electricity market (2009/72/EC), it became clear that the modernisation of the European meter infrastructure and the introduction of intelligent metering systems will have to happen." This change better facilitates Objective five by supporting the EU's requirement to install smart meters.</p>	
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E.ON UK	Accept	Accept		
npower	Accept	Accept	Npower believe objectives 2, 3 and 5 are met, allowing for Metering Works by Non-Appointed Meter Operator to enable smart metering work to be completed in an efficient manner. This will also improve the customer experience.	
Spark Energy	Accept	Accept	2	
SSE Electricity Limited & SSE Energy Supply Limited	Reject	Reject	-	As stated in our consultation response, while we support the principles and intention of this modification there remain practical concerns and considerations that the solution at present does not address.