

DCP 325 Working Group Meeting 09

17 June 2019 at 10:00am

Web-Conference

Attendee	Company
Working Group Members	
Andrew Enzor [AE]	Northern Powergrid
Chris Ong [CO]	UK Power Networks
Claire Campbell [CC]	SPEN
Dave Wornell [DW]	WPD
Donald Preston [DP]	SSEN
Code Administrator	
Dylan Townsend [DT] (Chair)	ElectraLink
Hollie Nicholls [HN] (Technical Secretariat)	ElectraLink

Apologies	Company
Kathryn Evans	SPEN
George Moran	British Gas
William Jago	npower

1. Administration

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed the members to the meeting.
- 1.2 The Working Group reviewed the “Competition Law Guidance”. All Working Group members agreed to be bound by the Competition Law Guidance for the duration of the meeting.
- 1.3 The Working Group reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting held on 17 May 2019 and agreed that they were a true reflection of the discussions held.

2. Purpose of the Meeting

- 2.1 The Chair set out that the purpose of the meeting is to review the updated Illustrative Forecast Model (IFM), updated considerations log and the proposed legal text.

3. Review of the Illustrative Forecast Model

- 3.1 The Working Group reviewed the updated IFM and agreed that there were no further comments.
- 3.2 It was highlighted that the MOD Term components need to be reviewed by each of the DNOs to determine which (if any) they would be comfortable with publishing and to ensure that there would be no commercially sensitive information available (as described in action 09/01 below).

4. Review of the DCP 325 Considerations Log

- 4.1 The Working Group reviewed the Considerations Log relating to DCP 325 and an updated version can be found as attachment 1.
- 4.2 The Working Group discussed table 1 and the suggestion to include a breakdown of the MODt term. One Working Group member raised a concern regarding publishing this information as future forecast data in that level of granularity may contain market/commercially sensitive data and so would be hesitant to publish. In this case, the DNO Working Group members agreed to review the breakdown and inform the group whether they are comfortable with publishing any of the components.

ACTION 09/01: DNO Working Group members to review the MODt Term breakdown to determine whether they are comfortable with publishing any of the components.

- 4.3 The Working Group discussed table 2 and whether it needed to be included in the new IFM or whether there is no benefit and it can be deleted in its entirety. The Working Group noted that there would be a differing opinion among the DNOs and Supplier parties. The Working Group agreed that it would be more beneficial to include a free text commentary field for the DNOs to include items which are uncertain which can also be used for the quarterly DCP066A teleconferences. The Proposer of the Change Proposal agreed to update the template to include this change.

ACTION 09/02: The Proposer to update table 2 to include a free text commentary field.

- 4.4 The Working Group agreed that the suggestion for table 3 has been completed and this can now be closed down.
- 4.5 The Working Group discussed where the tables should be located and agreed that they are happy for them to be maintained within the DCUSA document and the legal text will be updated to stipulate the decision.
- 4.6 In regard to the usefulness of the ARP item, the Working group agreed that these had been covered and all components will be provided but the solution simplifies the way the information is provided.
- 4.7 The Working Group also confirmed that the solution encompasses the combination of the ARP and the Cost Information Tables as the buttons to show and hide calculation and input worksheets have been added to the IFM.
- 4.8 In regard to the timings of the publication, the Working Group agreed to include three different solution options in the second consultation document to obtain Party views. These solutions include:
 - Status quo approach;
 - 5 Working Days into the following month which the treasury forecast is published; and

- A mid-year update around the end of August in addition to the existing ARP commitment at the time of price setting at the end of December and a potential update in late May.

4.9 The Working Group also discussed the provision of a 'fit for purpose' meeting being hosted by the DCUSA Secretariat for the Suppliers to be able to ask any questions regarding the publication of the IFM.

5. Review of the DCP 325 Legal text

5.1 The Working Group reviewed the proposed DCP 325 legal text.

5.2 The Working Group agreed that there needed to be amendments made to Schedule 15 to reflect the changes agreed on the considerations log and Schedule 20 can now be deleted due to the combination of the ARP into the Cost Information Tables.

5.3 It was also agreed that there needed to be amendments made to highlight the teleconference meetings being hosted by the Secretariat, but it was noted that the legal text did not need to be prescriptive about the oral commentary required for the meetings.

ACTION 09/03: The Secretariat to update the legal text to reflect the discussions held.

6. Work Plan and Next Steps

6.1 The DCP 325 Working Group reviewed the Work Plan and an updated version can be found as attachment 2. The Working Group agreed the following next steps:

- The Proposer of the change to update the IFM template for table 2;
- DNO Working Group members to confirm what they are happy to include in regard to the MODt Term breakdown.
- The Secretariat to update the legal text, considerations log and second consultation; and
- The Secretariat to ask CEPA/TNEI to provide an updated version of the IFM once all elements to be contained in the IFM have been agreed by the Working Group

ACTION 09/04: The Secretariat to ask CEPA/TNEI to provide an updated version of the IFM once all elements to be contained in the IFM have been agreed by the Working Group.

7. Any Other Business

7.1 There were no items of AOB, and the Chair closed the meeting.

8. Date of Next Meeting – 09 July 2019

8.1 The Working Group agreed that the next meeting will be held on the 09 July 2019 at 10am and will be held via teleconference.

9. Attachments

- Attachment 1 – DCP 325 Updated Considerations Log
- Attachment 2 – DCP 325 Updated Work Plan

APPENDIX 1

New and open actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
05/03	ElectraLink to draft a second consultation document and include the pros and cons for all options regarding the timing of the Cost Information Tables publication.	ElectraLink	Ongoing
09/01	DNO Working Group members to review the MODt Term breakdown to determine whether they are comfortable with publishing any of the components	DNO Working Group members	
09/02	The Proposer to update table 2 to include a free text commentary field.	Andrew Enzor / Kara Burke	
09/03	The Secretariat to update the legal text to reflect the discussions held.	ElectraLink	
09/04	The Secretariat to ask CEPA/TNEI to provide an updated version of the IFM once all elements to be contained in the IFM have been agreed by the Working Group.	ElectraLink	

Closed Actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
03/01	DNO Working Group members to review the electricity PCFM to determine what should be included within the Clause 35A requirements that would breakdown the MOD Term.	DNO Working Group Members	Closed – Superseded by Action 09/01 One Working Group member highlighted that there is the potential that commercially sensitive information would be

			<p>published if a breakdown of the MOD Term is included.</p> <p>DNOs need to confirm within their businesses which components (if any) from the MOD Term they would be comfortable with publishing.</p>
05/01	AE to update the proposed tables template to update the formatting of table 3 to reflect the LC14 table.	Andrew Enzor	<p>Closed</p> <p>This action is no longer relevant as the formatting is different within the new Illustrative Forecast Model.</p>
08/01	modify the IFM to hide some of the unused input and calculation sheets and include the Table 1 as is from Schedule 15 and to link the calculation spreadsheets to that table and then circulate to the Working group for review.	Andrew Enzor	Closed
08/02	modify the IFM to include additional worksheets for, a breakdown of the RPI and breakdown of the MOD as well as including the previously agreed amended version of Table 2 that will allow DNOs to provide information related to the biggest risks to their revenue that they have identified.	Andrew Enzor	Closed