



DCUSA Request for Information

DCP168: The Administration of Use of System charges relating to connections from Embedded Distribution Network Operator (EDNO) systems to Unmetered Supplies (UMS) for LA customers.

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 A DCUSA Panel Working Group has been established to assess the impact of Change Proposal DCP 168 'The Administration of Use of System charges relating to connections from Embedded Distribution Network Operator (EDNO) systems to Unmetered Supplies (UMS) for LA customers'.
- 1.2 The Working Group requests additional information from DNO and EDNO Parties to further assess the impacts and feasibility of DCP 168.
- 1.3 This purpose of this document is to:
 - Request that DNOs provide data on the numbers of domestic unrestricted connections to EDNO networks within their Distribution Service Areas using the form provided as Appendix A; and
 - Request that EDNOs provide data on their total number of UMS exit points using the form provided as Appendix B.
- 1.4 Parties are invited to provide their responses using the forms attached to dcusa@electralink.co.uk by **26 April 2013**.

2 INTENT OF DCP168

- 2.1 The intent of DCP168 is to make the required amendments to the DCUSA that will enable LA Authority (LA) customer's to trade their unmetered supply connections from licensed embedded networks under the host DNO's MPAN by creating a single EDNO discount factor for UMS connections regardless of the DNO/EDNO boundary network level. It is anticipated that changes will be required to the method of calculation of the EDNO discount percentages outlined in paragraphs 118 to 123 of Schedule 16. It may also be necessary to make changes to the portfolio billing arrangements outlined in Schedules 19 and/or 21 of the DCUSA. At this stage, it is not envisaged that any changes will be required elsewhere in the DCUSA to meet the intent of this change proposal, however this may change as the working group progresses.

3 REQUIRED INFORMATION TO ASSIST THE WORKING GROUP

- 3.1 To assist the working group to prepare an industry consultation on the potential solutions available to implement the DCP168 the Working Group requires information regarding the numbers of domestic unrestricted connections to EDNO networks within each DNO's Distribution Service Area. The Working Group requests that DNO Parties provide this information in the excel spread sheet template provided in Appendix A. This information is already in the public domain through the volume forecast data published in DNO's CDCM models; however details regarding EDNO connections for EDCM designated boundaries are not publically available as DNOs do not publish their completed FCP or LRIC EDCM models.
- 3.2 The Working Group also requires details of the total numbers of UMS exit points on EDNO networks nationally. EDNO Parties are requested to provide this information in the excel spread sheet template in Appendix B
- 3.3 This data will be used as described by equations 1, 2 and 3 in DCP168. These equations have been replicated in Appendix C for reference.
- 3.4 Parties are required to provide this data by **26 April 2013** to dcusa@electrlink.co.uk

4 Next Steps

- 4.1 Upon receipt of the information requested in this RFI the Working Group will prepare a further RFI requesting DNOs to make the required changes to their CDCM Model 103 and CDCM LDNO model to enable the Working Group complete an impact assessment of the proposed changes.
- 4.2 Upon completion of the second RFI the Working Group will consult with affected industry Parties on the potential solutions to implement DCP168.

5 Appendices

Appendix A - DCP168 RFI information from DNOs

Appendix B - DCP168 RFI information from EDNOs

Appendix C - Extract of DCP168 showing Equations

Appendix D – DCP 168 Change Proposal