

Meeting Name	DCUSA Panel
Meeting Date	18 June 2008
Paper Title	Initial Assessment Report – DCP 029
Purpose of Paper	For Decision
Synopsis	This paper presents a Change Proposal that has been submitted to the DCUSA Secretariat and requests agreement on its progression.

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This paper refers a DCUSA Change Proposal (DCP) to the DCUSA Panel for agreement on its progression.
- 1.2 The CP has been assessed by the Secretariat in accordance with Section 10.11 of the DCUSA. The CP has met the requirements and ElectraLink has prepared a recommendation for consideration by the Panel.

2 SUMMARY OF CHANGE PROPOSAL FOR CONSIDERATION

- 2.1 DCP 029 – *'Part 1 Housekeeping'* is attached as Appendix A. The following table shows a summary of the CP:

Raising Party	Electricity North West Limited
CP Status	Standard
Change Synopsis	This CP seeks to effect some housekeeping changes that impact Part 1 together with one Part 2 change of DCUSA which have been previously identified on the housekeeping log and discussed by the Panel. These are: Housekeeping change numbers 1, 2, 6, 14, 16, and 19.
Parties Impacted	Distributors, Suppliers & IDNOs
Part 1 / Part 2	Part 1
Authority Consent	Required
Proposed Implementation	November 2008

3 DCP 029- PART 1 – HOUSEKEEPING

- 3.1 DCP 029 has been raised by Electricity North West to progress a number of amendments which have been captured on the DCUSA Housekeeping Log – namely:
- DCUSA references to the CRA
 - Handling of Extra Settlement Determinations
 - Additional wording to Clause 37.2
 - Replace reference to NTC
 - Amendment to Clause 8.8 – Costs of the DCUSA
 - Amendments to the Definitions and Interpretations section

- 3.2 Electricity North West Limited considers that the implementation of DCP 029 will ensure that DCUSA is in line with current processes and definitions used within the BSC and it is improved by including other identified housekeeping changes identified from the housekeeping log. The proposer considers that the CP will better facilitate Objective 3¹ of the DCUSA Objectives by Licences by ensuring that the document is maintained and up to date as a consequence of other industry code changes affecting this agreement and other minor cross referencing errors being identified by Party members.

4 PROGRESSION OF DCP 029

- 4.1 It is recommended that the CP be categorised as a Part 1 matter in accordance with Clause 9.4 and Clause 9.5 of the Agreement as it impacts a number of Clauses which are listed as Part 1 matters.
- 4.2 It is recommended that the CP should be entered into the Definition Phase. Although the proposal is broadly concerned with the technical legal drafting of the Agreement there may be value in seeking confirmation from other Parties that they consider the changes to be solely housekeeping matters and to review the proposed legal drafting to ensure that there are no unintentional consequential impacts on other parts of the DCUSA or other industry codes. This process may be able to take place via email communication.
- 4.3 A proposed timetable for the progression of the proposal is outlined below:

Activity	Latest Date
Panel Meeting – IA agreed	18 June 2008
Definition Period & Legal Review	19 June – 16 July
Panel Meeting – Change Proposal agreed	16 July 2008
Party Voting	21 July – 04 August 2008
Change Declaration	05 August 2008
Authority Determination	August – September 2008
Implementation	November 2008

5 RECOMMENDATIONS

The DCUSA Panel is invited to:

- Consider whether to accept the referral of DCP 029;
- Agree that the CP should be treated as a Part 1 matter;
- Agree that the CP should be progressed through the Definition Phase; and
- Agree the progression of the CP in accordance with the timetable set out in Section 4.4.

6 APPENDICES

- Appendix A – DCP 029
- Appendix B – DCP 029 – Legal Drafting

¹ The efficient discharge by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of obligations imposed upon them in their Distribution Licences