
Meeting Name	DCUSA Panel
Meeting Date	18 July 2007
Paper Title	Initial Assessment Report – DCP 007
Purpose of Paper	For Decision
Synopsis	This paper presents a Change Proposal that has been submitted to the DCUSA Secretariat this month 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 007 'Change Determination Notices to Distributors' is attached as Appendix A. The following table shows a summary of the CP:

Raising Party	EDF Energy
CP Status	Standard (non urgent)
Change Synopsis	As currently drafted, the DCUSA assumes that Ofgem's determination of a Part 1 Change Proposal will be communicated to the Panel for implementation. The Distribution License obliges Distributors to implement determinations of Part 1 Change Proposals which will be communicated in a direction from the Authority to Distributors. Therefore there is a requirement for Distributors to pass on the determination to the Panel/Secretariat as the means by which it can be implemented.
Parties Impacted	Distributors, Suppliers, IDNOs
Part 1 / Part 2	Part 1
Authority Consent	Required
Proposed Implementation	November 2007

- 2.2 DCP 007 has been assessed as a standard (non urgent) change impacting Part 1 matters (Section 1C – Change Control) that should be entered into the Assessment Phase. It is recommended that the CP should be progressed directly through to the Report Phase as the CP seeks to

amend the DCUSA to reflect a workaround that has already been approved by the Panel and Distributor Parties.

2.3 A proposed timetable is outlined below:

Activity	Date
Panel Meeting – IA Report agreed	18 July
Legal Text and Change Report drafted	21 June – 09 August
Panel Meeting – Change Report agreed	15 August
Party Voting	16 August – 31 August
Change Declaration	03 September
Panel Review of Votes and Comments	19 September
Ofgem Determination	04 September – 09 October
Implementation	November Release

3 RECOMMENDATIONS

The DCUSA Panel is invited to:

- Accept the referral of DCP 007;
- Agree that the CP should be entered into the Assessment Procedure;
- Agree that the CP should be treated as a Part 1 matter; and
- Agree that the CP should be progressed through the Report Process in accordance with the timetable set out in Section 2.3.

Attachments:

Appendix A – DCP 007 v1.0

DCUSA Change Proposal Form

This form should be used by DCUSA Parties who wish raise a draft or formal Change Proposal and for DCUSA members and other interested parties to return their comments on DCUSA Change Proposals which have been circulated for consultation.

Originators - please complete Section A of this form and submit to DCUSA@electralink.co.uk.

Respondents – please complete Section B of this form and return it to DCUSA@electralink.co.uk your response should include your assessment of the solution and comments on the Change Proposal drafting. If you reject the solution then please supply your reason for rejection and an alternative solution. Even if you reject a solution your responses should state whether the proposed implementation date is acceptable to your organisation. If it is not acceptable, please indicate the reasons why and an alternative date.

SECTION A: To be completed by originator

Document Control	
CP Status:	Standard / Urgent (delete as appropriate)
Date Submitted:	4/7/07
CP Number*:	DCP 007
Version Number:	v1.0
Ref*:	07/07
Attachments:	n/a

** Assigned by DCUSA Change Control Administrator*

Originator details	
Party Name	EDF Energy Networks (EPN) plc
Originator Name:	Peter Waymont
Constituency:	Distributor / Supplier / IDNO / Generator
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CP Details	
Title of Change:	Change Determination Notices To Distributors

DCUSA Parties believed to be impacted:	Distributor / Supplier / IDNO / Generator / Other (please specify)
Proposal to Change: <i>Any proposal to add, delete or amend a Part 1 matter will be subject to Authority Consent</i>	Part 1 matter / Part 2 / housekeeping / other (please specify which section or clause of the DCUSA are being amended) Clause 13.12
Summary of Change:	As currently drafted, DCUSA assumes that Ofgem's determination of a Part 1 Change Proposal will be communicated to the Panel for implementation. The Distribution License obliges distributors to implement determinations of Part 1 Change Proposals which will be communicated in a direction from the Authority to distributors. Therefore there is a requirement for distributors to pass on the determination to the Panel/Secretariat as the means by which it can be implemented.
Related CPs: <i>Please indicate if this CP is related to or impacts any other CP already in the DCUSA or other industry Change Process</i>	

Proposed Solution:

(Please also attach proposed legal drafting here)

Amend Clause 13.12 to;

13.12 Where the Authority, acting in accordance with Clauses 13.9 and 13.10, issues to the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties a written determination that a Change Proposal shall be accepted or rejected, that proposal shall be so accepted or rejected for the purposes of this Clause 13. The DNO Parties and IDNO Parties shall forward such written determination to the Panel by sending it to the Secretariat. The DNO Parties and IDNO Parties agree that the receipt by the Secretariat of any one such written determination shall be an instruction on behalf of all DNO Parties and IDNO Parties to amend the DCUSA in accordance with the determination.

Proposed Implementation Technique:

Big bang

Proposed Implementation Date:

~~February Release~~ / ~~June Release~~ / November 2007 Release / Other (Please specify and give a reason)

How will the CP facilitate the DCUSA relevant objectives

[please state which one(s)] :

The change will bring the DCUSA drafting into line with LC9B and so will facilitate the objective of “*efficient discharge by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of obligations imposed upon them by their Distribution Licenses.*”

Authority Consent Required: Part 1 or Part 2 matter

Yes [Part 1]/~~No [Part 2]~~

Business Justification Including Market Benefits:

Discharge of License responsibility.