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Ofgem Switching Programme Update

This paper provides an update to the DCUSA Panel on the status of Ofgem's Switching Programme.

1. Background

- 1.1 Since November 2015, ElectraLink has been providing resource to a number of Ofgem Switching Programme workstreams, alongside other Code Administrators and the Data Communications Company (DCC).
- 1.2 Following a request at the July 2016 DCUSA Panel meeting, this paper provides the DCUSA Panel with an update of the status of the following Ofgem project Design Teams:
 - E2E Design;
 - Regulatory Design; and
 - Delivery Strategy Design

2. Project Update

- 2.1 The following section provides a high-level overview of the Design Teams progress over the past month, as attended by ElectraLink.

Regulatory Design Team (RDT)

- 2.2 The RDT have been focussing on identifying and allocating the governance procedures currently in the SPAA, MRA and UNC for inclusion within the proposed REC. The Group are in the process of setting out what should be in and out of scope, and also what would need to be contained within the transitional and enduring REC and the appropriate phase these procedures should be transferred across.
- 2.3 The consultation is due to be issued in September and will include a section on the governance arrangements, including the introduction of the REC.

End to End Design Team

- 2.4 The Design Workstream held a 'Design Forum' on 11 September 2017 for Energy Suppliers, Networks and other interested parties. This session primarily reviewed the output of 'WAVE3' of the design work, of which the key topics were the proposed 'Central Address' solution, which includes the association of gas and electricity meter points to a single location so that they share the same address. The lifecycle of metering points was also reviewed and how that data held within the CDSP and MPAS systems would be synchronised with the central switching system to enable Suppliers to make registrations against those metering points (MPxN).
- 2.5 A WebEx session has been organised, by Ofgem on 25 September 2017, for parties to review the end to end switching data architecture. This session is open to those who attend the design forum and their technical colleagues to review the output of this work.
- 2.6 'WAVE4' is due to complete at the end of September 2017. Ofgem will then re-release their switching consultation which shall include all of the design developments made since the first release on the blueprint design at the beginning of the year.
- 2.7 The Delivery Workstream have a number of design forums scheduled for September and October 2017. Now that the Design work is nearing completion this Workstream will gain more momentum, covering the transitional approach, data migration and other supporting delivery products.

3. Recommendation

- 3.1 The Panel is invited to:
 - **NOTE** the contents of the paper.

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