

# DCUSA Panel Meeting 130

19 April 2017 at 10:00

ElectraLink, Ground Floor, Grafton House, 2-3 Golden Square, London W1F 9HR

Attendee	Representing	Company
<b>Panel Members</b>		
John Lawton [JL] (Chair)	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Kevin Woollard [KW]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Thomas Cadge [TC]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Peter Waymont [PW]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Julia Haughey [JH]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
<b>Observers</b>		
Andy Bard [AB] (Open session only)	Observer	MRA
Vivian Marangoni [VM] (Open session only)	Observer	Ofgem
James Gibbs [JG] (Open session only)	Observer	Economy Energy
Jacqueline Genus [JG*] (Open session only)	Observer	Economy Energy
<b>Code Administrator</b>		
Claire Hynes [CH]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Dan Fittock [DF]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Dylan Townsend [DT]	Technical Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Stefan Leedham [SL]	Observer	ElectraLink Ltd
Alexandra Moore [AM] (part meeting)	Observer	ElectraLink Ltd

Apologies	Company
Matthew McKeon	BSC

## Part One: General (Open Session)

### 1. Administration

- 1.1 The minutes of the last meeting were approved as an accurate record of proceedings
- 1.2 The Panel reviewed the open actions, updates on all actions are set out in Appendix A.

### 2. DCUSA Operational Plan

- 2.1 The Panel noted the contents of the DCUSA Operational Plan (see Appendix B).

### 3. Monitoring Activities Log

- 3.1 The Panel reviewed the DCUSA Monitoring Activities Log (see Appendix B) and noted the following:
  - On the *'Distributed Generation and Demand Side Response'* item, the Panel requested the Withdrawal of DCP 284 be noted against this item.
  - On the *'European Code Development'* item, the Chair noted that he has spoken with the COG<sup>1</sup> and it has been determined that the main impacts will be to the Grid Code and the DCode<sup>2</sup> and that the DCUSA may not be impacted.

### 4. Updates from Industry Codes

#### **Balancing Settlement Code (BSC)**

- 4.1 The BSC update was circulated prior to the meeting. The Panel noted the contents of the update.

#### **Master Registration Agreement (MRA)**

- 4.2 The MRA update was circulated prior to the meeting. The following items were noted by AB during the meeting:

#### **The MRA Development Board (MDB) Update**

- The MDB Change Board convened at the end of March
- The following Changes are going out for 10-Working Day Impact Assessments

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<sup>1</sup> COG -Commercial Operations Group

<sup>2</sup> Distribution Code

- MRA CP 0250 – Update MRA Schedule 14 to reflect the latest version of the MPRS;
- MAP CP 0288 – Publication of Approved Party Information.
- DTC CP 3511 – Provision of Last Meter Inspection Date is going out for a 29-Working Day impact assessment.
- The MDB will next meet on 25 April 2017.

#### **Issues Resolution Expert Group (IREG) Update**

- P283 - '*Metering Commissioning Flow*'. It was noted that the preference of the Working Group is to continue to progress the development of changes and Data Flows independently of COP 4 discussions.
- MIF219 – '*Review of Working Practice Product Set*'. It was noted this is continuing to be reviewed by IREG and that identification of certain groups that are linked to pre-payment meters is being undertaken under the review of working practices. A more detailed view of groupings is underway.
- MIF218 – '*Industry Contacts Database*', IREG continues to seek a solution to the challenges of maintaining an accurate contacts database. A complete mapping and data cleanse exercise will be required to align individual company contacts in the database with those that are required in the MAPs. It was noted that a communication will be sent out to contract managers to confirm that details match.
- MIF 217 – '*Balance Assignment Protocol*'. It was noted that recommendations for improvement to processes have been taken away and further discussion will take place at the next meeting.
- MIF 220 – '*ECOES letter production for MPAS Agents and DNO's*'. It is expected that a RFI will be issued to Distribution and IDNO parties to obtain their responses before developing a solution.

#### **Ofgem**

4.3 VM noted that there is no update this month.

#### **Smart Energy Code (SEC)**

4.4 The SEC update was not available this month.

#### **CDCM /EDCM Review Group**

- 4.5 The group met on 06 April 2017 and reviewed the work undertaken to date and completed some gap analysis of the options which have been progressed through the workshops.
- 4.6 The group considered a more detailed presentation on the costing model option A and tariff structure option A. Some concerns were raised around the tariff structure of option A 'Split of allowed revenue into fixed/variable 'pots'', due the different treatment across DNOs of what should be classified as fixed or variable. DNOs collectively took an action to investigate the issue and report back to the group.

4.7 The next CDCM/EDCM Review group meeting is scheduled for 11 May 2017.

#### **DCMF/ DCMF MIG**

##### **TSO/DSO Programme**

4.8 A representative from the ENA provided an overview of the TSO<sup>3</sup> DSO<sup>4</sup> programme with the first phase of the project being delivered by the end of 2017. It is expected to look at development of improved Transmission-Distribution processes around connections, planning, shared TSO/DSO services and operation. Other areas within scope include; assessment of the customer experience; development of requirements to transition from DNOs to DSOs including the impacts on existing organisation capability and consideration of the enduring charging requirements.

##### **Discussions on Embedded Generation**

4.9 Ofgem provided a summary on the Embedded Generation consultation which had been published on the 01 March 2017, noting that a decision is due in May/June 2017. Ofgem also noted that they are looking at two CUSC modifications, CMP 264<sup>5</sup> and 265<sup>6</sup> which have been raised to address distortions caused by smaller Embedded Generators connected to the network and the provision of embedded benefit payments.

4.10 The next DCMF and DCMF MIG meeting is scheduled for the 06 July 2017

## **SIG Headline Report**

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5.1 CH presented the Standing Issues Group (SIG) Headline Report to the DCUSA Panel. See paper (Panel\_2017\_0419\_05).

5.2 It was noted that the SIG considered DCUSA Issue Form (DIF) 51 which highlighted concerns raised by BEIS and the British Banking Association (BBA) in regards to DCUSA Schedule 1 which requires a bank who issues Letters of Credit (LC) to Suppliers to have a Credit Rating of A or higher. It was noted that since the global banking crisis, the banking market has undergone fundamental changes and due to the 'financial crisis' only one bank in the UK market holds a Credit Rating of A.

5.3 The DCUSA SIG agreed to issue a Request for Information (RFI) to determine the impact of this issue on Suppliers and to request Parties to propose their preferred solution.

5.4 The Panel noted the contents of the paper.

## **DCUSA Accession Applications**

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<sup>3</sup> TSO – Transmission System Operator

<sup>4</sup> DSO -Distribution System Operator

<sup>5</sup> CMP 264 – 'Embedded Generation Triad Avoidance Standstill'

<sup>6</sup> CMP 265 – 'Gross charging of TNUoS for HH demand where embedded generation is in Capacity Market'

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- 6.1 The Secretariat presented the Accession Application for Singola Limited to the DCUSA Panel. See paper (Panel\_2017\_0419\_06)
- 6.2 For the accession application, the Panel agreed to:
- Instruct the Panel Secretary to notify the Party and the Authority of the Applicants identity and the information which will form the Party details;
  - Instruct the Panel Secretary to prepare an Accession Agreement for the Applicant; and
  - That the Board is to execute an Accession Agreement on behalf of all Parties.
- 6.3 ElectraLink took an action to process the Accession Application.

**ACTION: Panel \_130/01: ElectraLink to progress the Accession Application for Singola Limited**

## 7. Derogation Update

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- 7.1 CH presented the Derogation Update paper which was circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel\_2017\_0419\_07). This paper provides an update on the progression of the Eneco Energy Trade derogation which was granted on 21 September 2016 and the Sing Power Limited derogation which was granted on 15 February 2017.
- 7.2 One Panel member noted that the Eneco Energy Trade update suggested that they that they have not received any feedback about data quality. ElectraLink took an action to follow up with Experian to provide feedback on ENECO Energy Trades provision of a file upload for the March submission window.

**ACTION: Panel \_130/02: ElectraLink to follow up with Experian to provide feedback on ENECO Energy Trades provision of a file upload for the March submission window.**

## 8. Ofgem's CGR3 Final Proposals Update

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- 8.1 DT presented the update on Ofgem's CGR3 Final Proposals which was circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel\_2017\_0419\_08). The paper outlined the discussions that were had at the last Code Administrators meeting and presented the Forward Work Plan (FWP) that Code Administrators have been developing.
- 8.2 The Panel noted that they were a little unclear as to what the (FWP) is achieving but believe that this should become clearer with further development over time.

## 9. DCUSA Action Plan on Ofgem's CGR3 Final Proposals

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- 9.1 DT presented the DCUSA Action Plan on Ofgem's CGR3 Final Proposals which was circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel\_2017\_0419\_09). The Action Plan presented to the Panel included

some redlined changes that were made by the Secretariat since the last Panel meeting. The Panel agreed that the amendments can be accepted and noted the following items during their discussion:

- Item 7 – This item should be placed on hold until the outcome of DCP 289 '*Creation of Distribution Charging Methodology Development Group*' is known. The Chair questioned when the outcome of DCP 289 may be known to which it was noted that the Working Group are progressing towards an Ofgem decision in July 2017.

## Part Two: Change Administration (Open Session)

### 10. Change Register

10.1 The Secretariat presented the Change Register updates and the Work Plan activities. See paper (Panel\_2017\_0419\_10). The Panel made the following comments on the Change Register:

- One Panel member noted that work DCP 226 '*Housekeeping 66/72/73/77/80*' has been progressing and amended legal text will be provided to ElectraLink so that it can be passed on to the DCUSA legal advisor for review. ElectraLink took an action to submit the legal text to Gowling WLG for review upon receipt from the Proposer.

**ACTION: Panel \_130/03: ElectraLink to submit draft legal text for DCP 226 '*Housekeeping 66/72/73/77/80*' to Gowling WLG for review upon receipt from the Proposer.**

- A concern around DCP 289 was raised by a Panel member as two alternatives (289A and 289B) have been raised by the Proposer. The concern relates to what the DCUSA specifies around who can raise an alternative as it was suggested by the Panel that it would be sensible for another member of the Working Group to sponsor the alternatives. ElectraLink took an action to consider the implications of DCP 289B having the same proposer as DCP 289A and provide feedback to the proposer and the Working Group.

**ACTION: Panel \_130/04: ElectraLink to investigate the implications within the DCUSA of DCP 289B having the same proposer as DCP 289A and provide feedback to the proposer and the Working Group.**

- The Panel noted that the Work Plans highlighted for approval at this meeting had not been included with the papers that were sent out and as such had not been able to review ahead of the meeting. CH circulated the Work Plans to the Panel members and the Panel agreed to review the Work Plans ex-committee.

**Post meeting note:** The Panel reviewed the Work Plans directly after the conclusion of the meeting and made the following comments:

- The Panel reviewed the Work Plans for DCP 293 and DCP 288, and approved both Work Plans in accordance with the timescales set out in the Attachment.

- Upon review of the DCP 291 Work Plan the Panel requested that specific dates be included from Change Report submission on Panel paper day as these dates can be worked out.
- The Panel members raised concerns on the Work Plan for DCP 287 as it was aiming for a decision by Ofgem in mid-December and this timing could be problematic for industry. The Panel suggested that the Work Plan be amended so that the Change Report submitted to either the September 2017 or January 2018 Panel meetings.
- Upon review of the DCP 251/252 Work Plan, the Panel requested for the title of the Change Proposal to be included next to the number at the top of the document and that the implementation date be included in the table.

10.2 ElectraLink took an action to amend the Work Plans for DCPs 291, 287 and 251/252 as outlined above.

**ACTION: Panel \_130/05 ElectraLink to amend the following Work Plans;**

- **DCP 291 Work Plan to include specific dates from Change Report submission date onwards.**
- **DCP 287 Work Plan to be amended so that the Change Report submitted date is either the September 2017 or January 2018 Panel meetings and submit amended Work Plan to the Panel ex-committee.**
- **DCP 251/252 Work Plan to include the title of the Change Proposal next to the number at the top of the document and the implementation date be included in the table.**

## 11. Initial Assessments

11.1 The Secretariat presented the Initial Assessments cover paper, which detailed the attached Change Proposals (CPs) submitted to the Panel for approval into the DCUSA change process. See paper (Panel\_2017\_0419\_11).

### DCP 296 – ‘Legal drafting omission’

11.2 The Panel reviewed DCP 296 and agreed that the title of the CP should be amended to one that is more specific to the CP as it could be seen that any housekeeping change is a legal text omission. Subject to the creation of a new title for the CP the Panel agree to:

- Accept the referral of the CP;
- Treat the CP as a Standard change;
- Treat the CP as a Part 2 Matter;
- Progress the CP to the Change Report phase; and
- Progress the CP in accordance with the agreed timetable.

**ACTION: Panel \_130/06: ElectraLink to progress DCP 296 as a Part 2 Matter to the Change Report phase and the secretariat is directed to amend the title of the CP to one that is more specific to the CP.**

**Post meeting note:** The Secretariat, with approval from the Proposer, amended the title of DCP 296 to 'Notification Process for Remedied DCUSA Payment Default(s)'

### **DCP 297 – 'Network Interventions SLA Enhancement'**

11.3 The Panel reviewed DCP 297 and agreed to:

- Accept the referral of the CP;
- Treat the CP as a Standard change;
- Treat the CP as a Part 1 Matter;
- Progress the CP to the Definition phase through the Interventions Working Group; and
- Progress the CP in accordance with the agreed timetable.

**ACTION: Panel \_130/07: ElectraLink to progress DCP 297 as a Part 1 Matter to the Definition phase and the secretariat is directed submit this CP to the Interventions Working Group.**

## **12. Change Report: DCP 292**

12.1 The Secretariat presented the Change Report Cover paper, which detailed the attached Change Report for DCP 292. See paper (Panel\_2017\_0419\_12).

### **DCP 292 'Align DCUSA Schedule 15 table 3 to the CDCM tariff structure following the approval DCP 222 'Non billing of Excess Reactive Power Charges''**

12.2 The Panel approved the DCP 292 Change Report and agreed the following:

- that the Change Report contains the level of information required to enable Parties to understand the impact of the proposed amendment and to vote on the Change Proposal;
- that Suppliers', DNOs and IDNOs are eligible to vote on the Change Proposal;
- that Change Proposal be issued with a three-week voting period; and
- for the Change Report to be issued to Parties on 21 April 2017.

**ACTION: Panel \_130/08: ElectraLink to issue the DCP 292 Change Report to Parties to vote on 21 April 2017 for 3 weeks.**

## **13. Housekeeping Log**

13.1 The Secretariat presented the Housekeeping Log Summary Paper which was circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel\_2017\_0419\_13). This paper detailed a new Housekeeping Item that was identified by the DCUSA Secretariat in April 2017, the detail of which is as follows:



- Clause 11.31 states “Where, within 10 Working Days of the Secretariat sending notice under Clause 11.29, the Secretariat receives notice from a Party that it is prepared to support the Change Proposal, that Party shall:”. However, the reference to Clause 11.29 is incorrect as nowhere within Clause 11.29 does it state that the Secretariat sends notice. The reference to Clause 11.29 within Clause 11.31 should be corrected to reference Clause 11.30.

13.2 The Panel agreed to add the above to the Housekeeping Log and requested for the Secretariat to complete an investigation to confirm if the misaligned Clause reference was as a result of an incorrectly implemented change or if it has been misaligned for some time. It was requested for the Secretariat to provide an update on the completed investigation at the May Panel meeting.

13.3 On Housekeeping Item 99: PW agreed to raise a Housekeeping Change Proposal for this item.

**ACTION: Panel \_130/09: ElectraLink to consider the historic legal text and determine whether new housekeeping item 101 has been caused by subsequent changes to legal text or is a housekeeping item that can be amended in the next DCUSA release by the secretariat.**

**ACTION: Panel \_130/10: PW to raise a housekeeping CP for Housekeeping item 99.**

## 14. Any other Business

14.1 JG questioned if, during the Change Register update, it was noted that there were two or three CPs that had been Withdrawn to which it was noted that two CPs had been Withdrawn. JG also questioned if the implementation date was known for DCP 288 *‘Introduction of the Electricity Theft Detection Incentive Scheme’* to which it was noted that a TRAS expert will contact JG with the relevant information.

## Next Meeting – 17 May 2017 at 10:00am

14.2 The meeting venue is ElectraLink, Ground Floor, Grafton House, 2-3 Golden Square, London W1F 9HR.

## Appendix A: Summary of Actions

### New and Open Actions – Open Session

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
113/07	Process the Accession Application for Home Counties Energy PLC once the MPID has been provided.	ElectraLink	21/09/2016 – Ongoing 18/10/2016 – Ongoing 14/12/2016 – Ongoing No MPID 11/01/2017 – Ongoing Checked with Elexon - No MPID 08/02/2017 – Ongoing 08/03/2017 – Ongoing <a href="#">19/04/2017 – Ongoing</a>
129/03	Provide verbal update on GnERGY Limited's progression in meeting TRAS requirements post Derogation at the April DCUSA Panel meeting.	ElectraLink	<a href="#">19/04/2017 – Ongoing</a> Update no available for Panel meeting
130/01	Progress the Accession Application for Singola Limited	ElectraLink	
130/02	Follow up with Experian to provide feedback on ENECO Energy Trades provision of a file upload for the March submission window.	ElectraLink	
130/03	Submit draft legal text for DCP 226 'Housekeeping 66/72/73/77/80' to Gowling WLG for review upon receipt from the Proposer.	ElectraLink	
130/04	Investigate the implications within the DCUSA of DCP 289B having the same proposer as DCP 289A and provide feedback to Proposer and Working Group.	ElectraLink	
130/05	Amend the following Work Plans; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DCP 291 Work Plan to include specific dates from Change Report submission date onwards.</li> </ul>	ElectraLink	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DCP 287 Work Plan to be amended so that the Change Report submitted date is either the September 2017 or January 2018 Panel meetings and submit amended Work Plan to the Panel ex-committee.</li> <li>DCP 251/252 Work Plan to include the title of the Change Proposal next to the number at the top of the document and the implementation date be included in the table.</li> </ul>		
130/06	Progress DCP 296 as a Part 2 Matter to the Change Report phase and the secretariat is directed to amend the title of the CP to one that is more specific to the CP.	ElectraLink	
130/07	Progress DCP 297 as a Part 1 Matter to the Definition phase and the secretariat is directed submit this CP to the Interventions Working Group.	ElectraLink	
130/08	Issue the DCP 292 Change Report to Parties to vote on 21 April 2017 for 3 weeks.	ElectraLink	
130/09	Consider the historic legal text and determine whether new housekeeping item 101 has been caused by subsequent changes to legal text or is a housekeeping item that can be amended in the next DCUSA release by the secretariat.	ElectraLink	
130/10	Raise a housekeeping CP for Housekeeping item 99.	Peter Waymont	

#### Closed Actions – Open Session

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
129/01	Progress the Accession Application for Utility Distribution Networks Ltd	ElectraLink	<a href="#">19/04/2017 - Completed</a>
129/02	Notify GnERGY Ltd that their derogation from the requirements as set out in TRAS Schedule 25, Section 8 – ‘Supplier Data’ of the DCUSA on the grounds of efficiency closes on the 31 March 2017.	ElectraLink	<a href="#">19/04/2017 - Completed</a>
129/04	Update the DCUSA Action Plan on Ofgem’s CGR3 Final Proposals to include the following:	ElectraLink	<a href="#">19/04/2017 - Completed</a>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Item 6 – Check the items relating to a Forward Work Plan and confirm which specific Ofgem conclusion it should relate to and amend the document as needed.</li> </ul>		
129/05	Advise the DCP 251/252 Working Group to consider the version number of the model under the DCP 290 legal text as it will impact on the legal text of those changes.	ElectraLink	<a href="#">19/04/2017 - Completed</a>
129/06	Progress DCP 294 as a Part 1 Matter to the definition phase and the secretariat is directed to set up a Working Group.	ElectraLink	<a href="#">19/04/2017 - Completed</a>
129/07	<p>Contact the Proposer of the CP titled ‘Provision of Electricity Market-share data to SMICoP Limited’ to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discuss the DCUSA Panels decision and reasoning for deferring the progression of the CP</li> <li>request that the Proposer further consider and provide clarification on the intent of the CP and which code the CP aligns more closely to.</li> </ul>	ElectraLink	<a href="#">19/04/2017 - Completed</a>
129/08	Progress DCP 296 as a Part 1 Matter to the definition phase and the secretariat is directed to set up a Working Group to progress either jointly or concurrently with the BSC modification.	ElectraLink	<a href="#">19/04/2017 – Completed</a> This CP has been re-numbered DCP 295 as the previous CP was sent back to the Proposer for further work.
129/09	Issue the DCP 282 Change Report to Parties to vote on 17 March 2017 for 3 weeks to Suppliers, Distributors and IDNOs.	ElectraLink	<a href="#">19/04/2017 - Completed</a>
129/10	<p>Subject to the amendment listed below, ElectraLink to issue the DCP 292 Change Report to Parties to vote on 17 March 2017 for 3 weeks to Suppliers, Distributors and IDNOs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amend the implementation date to 01 April 2018</li> </ul> <p>Post Meeting Note - the DCUSA Panel reconsidered the DCP 292 Change Report ex-committee and a new way forward was suggested to the Proposer.</p>	ElectraLink	<a href="#">19/04/2017 - Completed</a> The DCP 292 Change Report has been submitted to this DCUSA Panel for approval for issue to Parties to vote upon.
129/11	Add Housekeeping items 99 and 100 to the Housekeeping log.	ElectraLink	<a href="#">19/04/2017 - Completed</a>

## Appendix B: Monitoring Activities Log 2016/17

**Active Projects** (All amendments in this month are shown in blue)

No	Task	Status
1	Ofgem Code Governance Review Phase 3 (CGR3) Final Proposals	<p>On 31 March 2016, Ofgem set out its Final Proposals as part of CGR3. The third phase of the review has sought to review the effectiveness of the key measures introduced under previous phases of the CGR, in order to identify further reforms. The reforms put forward by Ofgem seek to both ensure that the governance arrangements of all industry codes deliver both non-material self-governance changes and more complex changes in an efficient and timely way and that the governance arrangements also promote transparency and accessibility for all industry participants.</p> <p>Since April 2016 the Secretariat has been providing the Panel with monthly project updates on the implementation of CGR3 outcomes in the closed session Panel meetings. This item has been moved to the Open Session and updates on the CGR3 activities will be added to the Operational log going forward.</p> <p>October 2016 – The Panel noted the Secretariat issued an email requesting Parties who do not wish to be contacted by the Ofgem selected research agency to notify the Secretariat accordingly. Parties were given a two-week period to respond and where Parties either opt out or an out of office notification is received, the Panel agreed that such Party details should not be passed on to research agency.</p> <p>DCUSA Voting Process – The Panel reviewed the DCUSA Voting Process response email and agreed for this to be issued to the DCUSA Parties.</p> <p>December 2016 - The Panel requested for the CGR3 Action Plan Attachment to be updated in the following manner:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A check on the progress of all items and correcting status' as required.</li> <li>• Completed items need to be updated to blue status colour.</li> </ul> <p>February 2017 - The CGR3 Paper and Action log were provided to the Panel who subsequently review the action log and requested for the action log to be updated in line with the minutes above.</p>

**Monitoring Log (All amendments in this month are shown in blue)**

No	Task	Status	Owner	Outlook date
1	Distributed Generation and Demand Side Response	<p>Monitoring activity on distributed generation, including updates on developments relating to low-carbon technologies. In the past, this included to monitor activities of the DE Working Group Work on hold – likely to re-start with DCPR 5, the Renewable Heat Incentive Items (which are unlikely to affect the DCUSA but to remain an area to be monitored),</p> <p>December 2012 – Ofgem-led Working Group on socialising connection charges for low-carbon technologies.</p> <p>June 2013 – CA advised of a problem in regards to photovoltaic installations at domestic premises that could affect the smart meter roll-out.</p> <p>July 2015 – An Ofgem consultation on Distributed Generation will be issued during the summer.</p> <p>The Panel is to keep up to date with any developments under Work Stream 6.</p> <p>March 2013 – CA pointed to sub-groups dealing with connection charges changes to socialise reinforcement costs and Ofgem’s working programme. Any developments would also come to the attention of the Panel via the Connection Charges Methodologies Forum.</p> <p>September 2013 – Ofgem to confirm current status of the discussions.</p> <p>October 2013 – Ofgem update received: Working group, including the chair of the COG, set up to identify necessary changes to the connection charges with RIIO-ED 1. No decisions taken at this point yet, with draft changes undergoing refinement.</p> <p>January 2014 – Work Stream 6 is closed; still need to be confirmed by what it will be replaced. There will be a consultation on this in the future. Ofgem’s conclusions from the April consultation ‘Creating the right environment for demand-side response’ published on 16 December 2013 proposed to start a project in early 2014 building on work undertaken by WS6.</p> <p>February 2014 – The Ofgem representative advised that Work Stream 6 reconvened on 18 February, but no update was available yet. Panel members also advised that a DCP on Radio Teleswitching might be raised.</p> <p>March 2014 – DCP 204 has been raised for initial assessment at March Panel.</p>	Panel (CA)	Ongoing

	<p>April 2014 – The first meeting of the DCP 204 Working Group took place on 15 April 2014.</p> <p>May 2015 –Awaiting the Authority decision on DCP 204</p> <p>Ofgem and DECC updates on demand side response</p> <p>August 2015 – Ofgem sent back DCP 204 to the industry for further work, including the addition of a cost benefit analysis.</p> <p>September 2015;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was noted that the DCP 204 Working Group will be issuing a second consultation and holding a dialling in session where market participants can ask the Working Group questions on the Change Proposal. It was highlighted that the Working Group is taking action to engage with Suppliers.</li> <li>• It was highlighted that Ofgem will be publishing a strategy document on Demand Side Response.</li> </ul> <p>October 2015</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AS informed the Panel that Ofgem has been working to understand the issues which may be inhibiting flexibility and that their focus in the next 12 months will be to work on specific interventions which help realise the benefits of flexibility as early as possible.</li> <li>• Ofgem have published a paper on flexibility issue and that this can be found at the following link: <a href="https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/position-paper-making-electricity-system-more-flexible-and-delivering-benefits-consumers">https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/position-paper-making-electricity-system-more-flexible-and-delivering-benefits-consumers</a>.</li> </ul> <p>January 2016 – the Panel noted that DECC issued the following a Consultation and a Report in December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DECC issued a report on Smart Energy systems and it sets out how smart, more flexible energy solutions could help meet the challenges faced by energy system. The report can be found at the following link:<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/towards-a-smart-energy-system">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/towards-a-smart-energy-system</a></li> <li>• DECC issued a consultation on regulation and innovation and this can be found at the following link <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/consultation-on-ensuring-regulation-encourages-innovation">https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/consultation-on-ensuring-regulation-encourages-innovation</a></li> </ul> <p>March 2016 – The Panel that the DCP 204 was approved by the Authority and will be implemented on 1 September 2016. It was noted that DCP 204 is intended to prevent coincidence of load on networks as a result of the smart metering roll out and to bring clarity for timeswitching arrangements through smart</p>		
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	<p>metering. Avoiding coincidence of load on networks can help minimise the requirement for additional distribution infrastructure and associated investment.</p> <p>April 2016 - The Panel noted that at the DCMF meeting held on 07 April Franck Latremoliere presented on Virtual micro - grids and highlighted that virtual micro - grids are an arrangement over licensed networks which matches local demand with local generation on a half hourly basis. A solution was put forward which involves Suppliers or customers informing DNOs of the amount of consumption which is matched to generation. It was noted that the new DUoS tariffs would take account only of the lower-voltage parts of the network that are actually used, so that they would be a zero or proportionally reduced generation credit to matched generation units, and a zero or proportionally reduced unit rate to matched consumption units.</p> <p>May 2016 – The Panel noted that at the last Methodologies Issues Group (MIG) Open Utility provided further insight on a proposal which seeks to ensure that consumers only pay for the respective part of the network which had been used for distributing the electricity. Open Utility will run trials on Virtual micro-grids and are inviting DNOs to participate.</p> <p>September 2016 – The Panel noted that there is a cross between the EU and demand side response and that updates on EU development relating to demand side responses should be added to this section of the update.</p> <p>November 2016 - The Panel members noted that the Joint Ofgem and BEIS consultation on “Smart Flexible Energy System Call for Evidence” closes in January. Ofgem will respond to the evidence in Spring 2017.</p> <p>March 2017 - the Panel requested that the four CPs relating to Distribution Generation be noted against this item. The CPs are outlined below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DCP 283 ‘The calculation of generation credits in the CDCM’</li> <li>• DCP 284 ‘The application of scaling to generation credits in the CDCM’</li> <li>• DCP 287 ‘Generation credits in the EDCM’</li> </ul>		
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2	European Code Development	<p>Industry Working Group (led by BSC / CUSC) to determine impact on industry.</p> <p>Ofgem/IDNO &amp; DNO meeting 23 July to discuss impact of the wider industry.</p> <p>PW to circulate note to DNOs and Distributors</p> <p>November 2012 – Ofgem consultation on EU Third Package was published. No impact on DCUSA expected.</p> <p>December 2012 – Slight delay in the Requirements for Generators Code expected (now to enter comitology together with the Demand Connection Code in April 2014).</p> <p>January 2013 – Impact on National Terms of Connection to be analysed once requirements for generators are known.</p> <p>June 2013 – National Grid Presentation on GB Implementation</p> <p>July 2013 – National Grid presented draft Terms of Reference (ToR) for European Code Coordination Application Forum (ECCAF). Final ToR to be presented to August Panel.</p> <p>August 2013 – Final ToR for ECCAF presented to the DCUSA Panel.</p> <p>September 2013 – National Grid confirmed the ECCAF is in the process of being set up and noted nominations of the DCUSA Panel representatives.</p> <p>October 2013 – First invitation to the ECCAF issued with meeting date yet to be determined.</p> <p>November 2013 – First ECCAF meeting on 21 November 2013. Clarification to be sought whether current DCUSA Panel representative can continue without being Panel member.</p> <p>January 2014 – Next ECCAF meeting to take place on 30 January 2013.</p> <p>February 2014 – ECCAF meeting took place on 30 January. Note on structural options for implementation was brought to February Panel.</p> <p>March 2014 – The next ECCAF meeting will take place on 27 March 2014.</p> <p>April 2014 – The next ECCAF meeting will take place on 29 April 2014.</p> <p>September 2015 – Peter Waymont confirmed he will speak to Chris Allanson to get an update on the European code update.</p> <p>October 2015</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peter confirmed that Chris Allanson is still the DCUSA representative on European Codes and will provide the Panel with any updates on European Side demand connection code activities.</li> </ul>	Panel	Ongoing

		<p>January 2016 – The National Grid update circulated prior to the meeting highlighted that that there would be a change to settlement periods. I was noted that Electricity Balancing Code will provide the rules for procurement and exchange of balancing energy, reservation of capacity for balancing purposes and greater harmonisation of settlement arrangements.</p> <p>March 2016 – The Panel noted that the Electricity Balancing Code is currently with the Commission for Comitology preparations post ACER’s qualified recommendation. It is anticipated the Network Code will enter inter-service consultation in April 2016, Comitology in May with potential voting in June.</p> <p>April 2016 – Abid Sheikh informed the Panel that the Grid Code Change 48 (CG0048)<sup>7</sup> is looking to introduce banding. PW took an action to investigate whether there are any consequential updates required to the DCUSA as a result of Grid Code Change 48 which introduces bandings for generators.</p> <p>May 2016 - PW informed the Panel that the Grid Code Change 48 is less likely to have an impact on the DCUSA as the change is mainly related to the D-code. PW agreed to review this further and check whether any consequential changes will be required to the DCUSA.</p> <p>August 2016 – The Panel noted that National Grid will no longer be providing the European Codes industry updates to the DCUSA Panel meetings. A member of the Panel pointed out that the EU codes updates are useful as they provide industry timescales and potential impacts on DCUSA. It was noted that the Panel might benefit from getting a simplified version of the simplified version of the EU codes updates. ElectraLink took an action to inform National Grid that the Panel found their update useful and request whether they can provide a simplified version of the report.</p> <p>September 2016 - The Panel noted that the ENA is currently looking at EU development matters including any commercial issues that may impact codes.</p>		
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<sup>7</sup> GC0048 - Application / Implementation of the Requirements for Generators European Network Code

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		<p>December 2016 – The Panel noted that the ENA are monitoring the European Network Code impacts on DCUSA and have not identified any at this time. There are approximately 70 changes identified across all codes.</p> <p>February 2017 - The Panel noted that the COG is looking at the 70 changes.</p>		
3	Implementation of CMA changes	<p>Item to Monitor – ongoing discussions on the Energy industry code governance.</p> <p>February 2015 – The CMA issues statement published on 18 February 2015. The statement highlighted the effects of Code governance in the Energy industry.</p> <p>May 2015 – Ofgem Open Letter on Further Review of Industry Code Governance was published on 15 May 2015.</p> <p>July 2015 – Ofgem will be holding a workshop on code Governance on 22 July 2015. Details of the workshop can be found at the following link:  <a href="https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/code-governance-review-workshop-22-july-2015">https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/code-governance-review-workshop-22-july-2015</a></p> <p>February 2016 – It was noted that that the DCUSA Panel has responded to the Ofgem Consultation on Code Governance Review 3.</p> <p>March 2016 – The CMA update highlighted that on 10 March 2016, the CMA set out its provisional decision on a wide-ranging package of remedies based on over 80 responses to it consultation and further analysis been undertaken.</p> <p>July 2016 – The Panel noted that the CMA published its final report on the Great Britain energy market investigation on 24 June 2016. The Final Report details the CMA’s package of over 30 remedies which seek to ‘revitalise the energy market’ and bring about technical and regulatory changes to ‘intensify competition’ between energy companies and ensure the market works in consumers’ interests. The Panel agreed for ElectraLink to support Ofgem in the delivery of the CMA remedies and agreed to a CRF for ongoing CMA support activity.</p> <p>August 2016 - The Panel noted that on 3 August 2016, Ofgem released its CMA Remedy Implementation Strategy<sup>8</sup> which outlined that there are over 30 remedies, with a substantial proportion of these in the form of recommendations to Ofgem.</p> <p>October 2016 - The Panel noted that Ofgem is planning to publish the CMA outputs by November 2016.</p>	Panel	Ongoing

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<sup>8</sup> [https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/system/files/docs/2016/08/ofgem\\_implementation\\_strategy.pdf](https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/system/files/docs/2016/08/ofgem_implementation_strategy.pdf)

		<p>November 2016 - A Request for Information (RFI) is expected to be issued in January regarding on governance options.</p> <p>December 2016 – Ofgem’s industry code governance consultation was issued on the 09 November 2016 with a closing date of the 01 February 2017. The Panel considered that it would be beneficial to provide information on the code and its impact to inform the code governance remedies decisions.</p> <p>January 2017 – The Panel are formalising their response to the Ofgem consultation.</p> <p>February 2017 – The Panel noted that they provided their response to the Ofgem consultation.</p> <p><a href="#">March 2017 - Panel noted that they are awaiting the outcomes from the Ofgem consultation.</a></p>		
4	Significant Code Review: Ofgem consultation on Central Registration Service provision	<p>September 2015 – The Panel agreed for the consultation should be added to the Log as it might have an impact on the DCUSA, details of the consultation can be found at the following link:  <a href="https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/sites/default/files/docs/2015/07/crs_dcc_licence_consultation_final3.pdf">https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/sites/default/files/docs/2015/07/crs_dcc_licence_consultation_final3.pdf</a></p> <p>October 2015 – It was noted that Ofgem has had presentations on the consultation at other Panels and AS took an action to find out if Ofgem would be carrying out a presentation on their consultation to the DCUSA Panel.</p> <p>December 2015 – the Panel noted Ofgem presented on their consultation at the November Panel meeting</p> <p>February 2016 – The Panel noted that the Ofgem Workshops have are now in progress and the DCUSA Panel should be aware of the discussions at the workshops as there may be changes that might have an impact on the DCCUSA.</p> <p>May 2016 – The Panel noted that a CMA presentation took place at the DCUSA Panel April Panel meeting. The Panel requested that Ofgem provide periodical updates on the progress of the faster switching project. AS took an action to confirm whether Ofgem can establish formal communication routes for industry bodies that are not represented on the Central Registration Project (faster switching) Workgroups. This would give these bodies insight into the development of the project and potential impacts.</p> <p>June 2016 – It was noted that AS is to organise a presentation on the Central Registration Project (faster switching) Workgroups. It was noted that this would be useful towards the end of the year so that the impacts of the project can feed into the DCUSA budget setting processes for 2017/18.</p>	Panel	Ongoing

		<p>July 2016 – AS informed that the Panel that Ofgem will be providing a presentation on the Central Registration Project (faster switching) later on in the year.</p> <p>September 2016 - The Panel noted that Ofgem will provide a general update on the Central Registration Project (faster switching) at the October meeting.</p> <p>October 2016 - Ofgem presented on the Central Registration Project (faster switching). It was noted that the purpose of the presentation was to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Request views on Ofgem’s proposed reform packages;</li> <li>• Test initial thinking on the RFI; and</li> <li>• Set out Ofgem’s next steps</li> </ul> <p>December 2016 – The Panel noted that a Request for Information (RFI) is expected to be issued in January regarding faster switching.</p> <p>January 2017 - The Panel agreed to wait and see if any impacts are identified as a result of the RFI</p> <p>February 2017 - Panel members noted that they will review responses once they become available. The Chair noted that there appears to be limited impact to DCUSA however will wait for outcome as it is dependent upon the what the scope is.</p>		
5	Significant Code Review: Half Hourly Settlement.	<p>January 2016 - Ofgem has initiated a review to establish cost effective half hourly settlement for all consumers.</p> <p>February 2016 – The Panel noted that the Ofgem Open letter on Half Hourly Settlement was issued in December 2015 and is now closed. Ofgem is reviewing the responses and the next step is to publish the responses in March 2016.</p> <p>March 2016 – The Panel noted that Ofgem published the responses to their Open letter on Half Hourly Settlement on 09 March 2016. The responses can be found at the following link:  <a href="https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/elective-half-hourly-settlement-publication-responses-december-open-letter">https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/elective-half-hourly-settlement-publication-responses-december-open-letter</a></p> <p>May 2016 - AS informed the Panel that conclusions on Half Hourly Settlement will be published at the end of May 2016.</p>	Panel	Ongoing

		<p>June 2016 – The Panel noted Ofgem’s conclusions on ‘HH Elective Settlement’ in relation to the impact on DCP 268 ‘DUoS Charging Using HH Settlement Data’.</p> <p>The Panel noted that Ofgem expects the change to be implemented by early 2017. The Panel noted that there is no immediate barrier under DCP 268 and agreed that the CP should run its normal course.</p> <p>September 2016 – It was noted that DCP 268 was raised to facilitate a transition to half-hourly (HH) settlement for non-half hourly (NHH) customers by moving to a time band charging basis, based on the HH (profiled) data used in settlement. This is a standalone change. The DCP 268 Working Group is developing the CP solution and the proposed implementation date is 1 April 2019.</p> <p>November 2016 - The DCUSA Panel agreed to not provide a response to Ofgem’s consultation on Half-Hourly (HH) Settlement as it was considered that Parties responses to this consultation should be sufficient.</p> <p>December 2016 - Panel agreed to discuss the results of the consultation once they are available.</p> <p>January 2017 – The Panel will review the outcomes of the Ofgem HH settlement consultation and noted Ofgems’ response to this is due to be published shortly.</p> <p>February 2017 – The Panel noted that they will wait for Ofgem to publish the results of the consultation.</p> <p>March 2017 - The Panel noted that they are awaiting the outcomes from the Ofgem consultation on a Significant Code Review</p>		
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