

DCUSA Panel Meeting 127

18 January 2017 at 10:00

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

Attendee	Representing	Company
Panel Members		
John Lawton [JL] (Chair)	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Jeremy Guard [JG]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Julia Haughey [JH]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Peter Waymont [PT] (teleconference)	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Observers		
Andy Bard [AB] (Open session only)	Observer	MRA
Kayla Reinhart [KR] (Open session only)	Observer	SECAS
Nadir Hafeez [NH] (Open session only)	Observer	Ofgem
Code Administrator		
Claire Hynes [CH]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Dylan Townsend [DT]	Technical Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Dan Fittock (DF)	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Naomi Anderson [NA] (Part meeting)	ElectraLink	ElectraLink Ltd

Apologies	Company
Alex Travell	Alternate Member
Lucy Hibbert	Panel Member

Matthew McKeon	Observer
Simon Yeo	Alternate Panel Member
Thomas Cadge	Alternate Panel Member
Kevin Woollard	Panel Member

Part One: General (Open Session)

1. Administration

- 1.1 The minutes of the last meeting were approved as an accurate record of proceedings pending the following amendments.
- In the Apologies list, Alex Travell to be changed from Panel Member to Alternate Panel Member
 - In the Apologies list, Remove Sasha Pearce as no longer Alternate Panel Member
 - Remove the superfluous 'and' on Page 4 under paragraph 4.1 which reads '*the Panel noted that the Energy Network Association (ENA) and are monitoring the European Network Code impacts on DCUSA*'
 - Replace the word 'agree' with 'will review' on located within the last bullet point under paragraph 4.1.
 - Remove the letter 't' between 25 November under the heading of 'Code Update - SEC Version 5.0 – DCC Live in full' on page 6.
 - Delete the words 'migrate the' from the last sentence within the first bullet point on page 7.
- 1.2 ElectraLink agreed to update the December 2016 Panel Minutes with the amendments noted above.
- 1.3 The group reviewed the open actions and updates on all actions are set out in Appendix A.

ACTION: Panel _127/01: ElectraLink to update the December 2016 Panel Minutes with the amendments noted below:

- In Apologies list, Alex Travell to be changed from Panel Member to Alternate Panel Member
- In Apologies list, Remove Sasha Pearce as no longer Alternate Panel Member
- Page 4 paragraph 4.1 remove the superfluous 'and' on the second line.
- Re-word the sentence on the HH Settlement consultation to 'review the outcome once it is known'
- Correct the typo '25TNovember' in the code update section
- Page 7 top bullet point – delete the words 'to migrate'

2. DCUSA Operational Plan

- 2.1 The Panel reviewed the contents of the DCUSA Operational Plan (see Appendix B) and requested that the Secretariat include a summary of the discussion held at the last meeting.
- 2.2 The secretariat agreed to update the DCUSA Operational Plan to include a summary of the discussion that the Panel Members had at the December Panel Meeting.

ACTION: Panel _127/02: ElectraLink to add a summary item of the DCUSA Panel discussions from previous meeting on the other CDCM proposals. CGR3 log to be updated with amber, red and green to align to the operational plan in that section.

3. Monitoring Activities Log

- 3.1 The Panel reviewed the DCUSA Monitoring Activities Log (see Appendix B) and noted the following:
- On the *‘European Code Development’* item, the Panel noted that the Energy Network Association (ENA) and are monitoring the European Network Code impacts on DCUSA and have not identified any at this time. The Panel noted they have received the 70 identified changes as requested in the last meeting.
 - On the *‘Implementation of CMA changes’* item, the Panel agreed to discuss as part of the DCUSA Board meeting.
 - On the *‘Significant Code Review (SCR) Ofgem consultation on Central Registration Service provision’* item, the Panel members noted that a Request for Information (RFI) is still expected to be issued in January on Faster Switching. The Panel agreed to wait and see if any impacts are identified as a result of the RFI.
 - On the *‘SCR: Half Hourly Settlement’* item, the Panel will review the outcomes of the Ofgem HH settlement consultation and noted Ofgems’ response to this is due to be published shortly.

4. Updates from the Industry Working Groups/Codes

Balancing & Settlement Code (BSC) -

- 4.1 The Panel requested for the Secretariat to contact Matthew McKeon as the Panel has not received updates from the BSC for two months.

ACTION: Panel _127/03: ElectraLink to contact Matthew McKeon and request an update from the BSC for the February Panel meeting.

Meter Registration Agreement (MRA)

- 4.2 The MRA update was circulated prior to the meeting.
- 4.3 Since the December 2016 DCUSA Panel meeting, four Change Proposals have been accepted for June 2017 implementation.
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- 4.4 MAP CP 0282¹ and related MRA CP 0248² have been accepted for implementation in February 2017 and seek to introduce the updated Ofgem-led Significant Code Review (SCR) process, and to introduce the ability for Ofgem to raise SCR Change Proposals.

Issues Resolution Expert Group (IREG) Update

- 4.5 IREG met on 11 January 2017 and discussed the following:

MIF 197 Mandating the secure sending of data via the DTC

- 4.6 IREG further reviewed the drafting of a number of change proposals associated to ensuring data is sent securely across the DTN. These included:
- MAP09 (Standard Address Format) where the group felt that the sending of a new Data Flow, similar in kind to the D0131³, could be used to advise the Distribution Businesses of the existing address information and the proposed new information, which they could then accept or reject.
 - MAP12 (Agreed Procedure for Customer Requested and Co-operative Objections). Some further refinements were agreed by the group before moving to a formal change proposal.

MIF 198 Procedure for the Assignment of Debt in Relation to Prepayment Metering

- 4.7 IREG reviewed the latest updated drafting of the MAP and the associated documents, including updates to the Data Flows (D306,307,308,309)⁴, updates to the Data Item definitions, the Data Flow notes and the Change Proposals drafted. IREG agreed a number of minor amendments in order for the package of changes can be shared with SPAA and look to taking the formal changes forward.

Ofgem

- 4.8 NH advised that the Code Governance workshop was well attended and that they will be publishing their presentation on the Ofgem website soon. It was highlighted that the Code Governance Consultation will end on 01 February 2017. NH advised that their code governance review team are happy to be approached with issues for discussion even after the consultation has closed

Smart Energy Code (SEC)

- 4.9 The SEC update was circulated prior to the meeting. The paper provides updates on the activities occurring in relation to the SEC, including relevant updates from the SEC Panel meeting held on 09 December 2016.

¹ MAP CP 0282 'Amendments to MAP17 to align with changes to SLC 23'

² MRA CP 0248 'Amendments to the MRA to align with changes to SLC 23'

³ D0131 Metering Address Details

⁴ D0306 Request for Debt Information, D0307 Debt Information, D0308 Confirmation of Customer Debt Transfer, D0309 Confirmation of Debt Assigned

SEC Version 5.2

- 4.10 SEC Version 5.2 has been designated to reflect amendments to SEC Appendix AC – Inventory, Enrolment and Withdrawal Procedures to enable the DCC to assure Communications Hub functioning in the production environment. This amendment was directed by the Secretary of State and came into effect on 21st December 2016.

SEC Modifications Update

- 4.11 Since the December 2016 DCUSA Panel meeting, five new Modification Proposals have been submitted to SECAS. These Modification Proposals are set out in the Paper which was provided to the DCUSA Panel. These five new Modification Proposals are now in the Refinement Process stage and join eighteen other Modification Proposals currently in the Refinement Process stage.
- 4.12 The next SEC Panel meeting is scheduled for Friday, 10th February 2017.

Distribution Charging Methodologies Forum (DCMF)

CDCM and EDCM Review Project Plan

- 4.13 Under the CDCM and EDCM Review Project Plan, the group agreed to hold three initial workshops, scheduled for 26 January 2017, 28 February 2017 and 14 March 2017. At these meetings the options to be taken forward will be decided upon. It was noted that further meetings may need to be held to work the proposed options into formal CPs.
- 4.14 It was noted that DCP 289 '*Creation of Distribution Charging Methodology Development Group (DCMDG)*' proposes to have the DCMDG funded as per existing DCUSA funding arrangements. Some members expressed concerns around the proposed funding arrangements as the intent of the CP does not appear to cover a change to funding arrangements. The group noted the funding mechanisms can still be debated but that the DCP had been raised in the spirit of getting the proposal in so that the Working Groups can formally be hosted under DCUSA from April onwards. The group agreed to highlight this concern to the DCUSA Panel.
- 4.15 The Panel noted that they will address these concerns on consideration of the DCP 289 Change Report in the ex-committee meeting scheduled for the 24 January 2017. The DCUSA Panel suggested that the Change Report should clearly set out the funding arrangements being proposed. For example, that funding will be shared amongst parties and not just by DNOs. PW agreed to provide feedback to the proposer that the funding arrangements should be addressed in the DCP 289 change report.

ACTION: Panel _127/04: Peter Waymont to provide feedback to the proposer that the funding arrangements should be addressed in the DCP 289 change report.

Methodologies Issue Group (MIG)

- 4.16 The MIG reviewed Request for Information (RFI) responses with the view of obtaining clarity around the eligibility criteria for EDCM credits, which appears different across DNOs. This review resulted in

the drafting of a CP setting the F-factor to 1 – with the group to decide on the conditions when a generator is intermittent or non-intermittent.

- 4.17 The MIG also discussed the ongoing monitoring migration of 2017/18 NHH Tariffs for Profile Class (PC) 5-8 customers. The group acknowledged that a number of sites will not have migrated by April 2017, specifically those where no AMR devices are on site.

5. Interventions Working Group Headline Report

- 5.1 The Secretariat presented the Interventions Working Group (IWG) Headline Report which was circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2017_0118_01)
- 5.2 The IWG was held on 13 December 2016, where the main discussion concerned the topics below:
- Operational Issues, Highlights and Lowlights;
 - Supplier Rollout Forecasts;
 - MOPs leaving site for Category A Situations; and
 - Review of Issues Log.
- 5.3 The next IWG meeting is scheduled for 14 February 2017, following the extra meeting on 17 January 2017 to discuss the A07 and C15 code changes.
- 5.4 The Panel noted the contents of the paper.

6. DCUSA Accession Applications

- 6.1 The Secretariat presented the Accession Application for Mattina Limited to the DCUSA Panel. See paper (Panel_2017_0118_02).
- 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 _127/05: ElectraLink to progress the Accession Application for Mattina Limited.

7. Derogation Update

- 7.1 The Secretariat presented the Derogation Update paper which was circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2017_0118_03). This paper provides an update on the progression of the Eneco Energy Trade BV Limited derogation granted on 21 September 2016.

- 7.2 The DCUSA Panel granted the derogation to Eneco Energy Trade BV until June 2017 and the DCUSA Panel requested that the Party provide quarterly updates. The first Eneco Energy Trade BV quarterly update was provided as Attachment 1.
- 7.3 The Panel noted the contents of the Paper.

Part Two: Change Administration (Open Session)

8. Change Register

- 8.1 The Secretariat presented the Change Register updates and the Work Plan activities. See paper (Panel_2017_0118_04).
- 8.2 The Panel requested the following two amendments to the change register:
- DCP 289 to display the implementation date as the 01 April 2017; and
 - Update DCP 274 *'The Application of Export Capacity Charges in the EDCM'* implementation date to the 01 April 2019 to reflect the Working Groups agreed revised date.

ACTION: Panel _127/06: ElectraLink to amend the change register as follows:

- DCP 289 to display the implementation date as the 01 April 2017
- Update the DCP 274 implementation date to the 01 April 2019 to reflect the Working Groups agreed revised date.

- 8.3 The Panel approved the DCP 274 Work Plan pending the following amendments:
- Update the DCP 274 Work Plan to reflect a change report submission date that aligns with the proposed implementation date. ElectraLink agreed to submit a revised Work Plan for DCP 274 to the DCUSA Panel.

ACTION: Panel _127/07: ElectraLink to submit a revised Work Plan for DCP 274 to the DCUSA Panel, which reflects a change report submission date that aligns with the proposed implementation date.

- 8.4 The Panel approved the DCP 288 Work Plan in accordance with the timescales set out in the Attachments.

9. Change Report: DCP 281 and DCP 281A

- 9.1 The Secretariat presented the Change Report Cover paper, which detailed the attached change report for DCP 281 and DCP 281A. See paper (Panel_2017_0118_05).
- 9.2 One Panel Member questioned if a representative from Ofgem had been present at Working Group meetings as noted in the Change Report. NH confirmed that a Ofgem representative had been present at Working Group meetings.

- 9.3 Panel Members noted that the Proposer of DCP 281 became the Proposer of the Alternate CP (DCP 281A). The Chair suggested that the DCUSA Panel Members should look into scenarios such as this, noting as non-standard process.
- 9.4 One Panel member questioned the voting end date on the Voting Form. CH agreed to update the form with the correct closing date.
- 9.5 The DCUSA Panel approved the DCP 281 and DCP 281A Change Reports and agreed that they can be issued to Parties to vote upon with the following conditions:
- DNOs and IDNOs are eligible to vote.
 - Voting period to be 15 Working Days, between 20 January 2017 and 10 February 2017.
 - Change Declaration to be issued on 14 February.
 - Implementation date to be 1 April 2017.

ACTION: Panel _127/08: ElectraLink to amend the Voting Form attachment for the DCP 281 and 281A Change Report as follows:

- Amend the 'voting end date' section of the table to state 10 February 2017 as agreed by the DCUSA Panel

Once updated the Change Report can be issued to Parties to vote upon.

- 9.6 The Panel agreed to consider the DCP 289 Change Report via an ex-committee Panel meeting. Members agreed for the meeting to be scheduled for 1pm on Tuesday, 24 January 2017 and for the meeting to be held via teleconference.

ACTION: Panel _127/09: ElectraLink to schedule a DCUSA Panel ex-committee meeting via teleconference on 24 January 2017 at 1pm.

10. Housekeeping Log

- 10.1 The Secretariat presented the Housekeeping Log Summary Paper which was circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2017_0118_06).
- 10.2 The Secretariat recommend that Housekeeping item 96 on the housekeeping log is closed as a CP has been received for initial assessment that amends the PCDM and EPCDM model references in Schedule 17 and 18 Clause 1.3b to reflect that a joint method m model has been developed for use under DCP 234. The initial assessment paper is a late paper to this Panel and will be considered under AOB.
- 10.3 The Panel Members agreed in principle to close Housekeeping item 96 on the condition that the new CP is accepted into the DCUSA Change process.
- 10.4 The Chair requested that the existing Housekeeping item 91 be closed as the matters needing observation are being covered off through other processes. Housekeeping item 91 was set up to ensure that the DCP 161 '*Excess Capacity Charges*' legal text was correctly applied when it is

implemented on the 01 April 2018. However, the DCUSA Panel approved the approach to be taken to the DCP 161 legal text in the 01 April 2018 charging methodology pre-release.

ACTION: Panel _127/10: ElectraLink to close Housekeeping Items 91 and 96.

11. Any other Business

DCP 290 Initial Assessment

- 11.1 The Panel reviewed DCP 290 *'Housekeeping Change to Update PDCM Model References'*.
- 11.2 The Panel considered whether a checklist could be added to the Working Group Terms of Reference (ToRs) to avoid missing items like this in future. CH confirmed that a bullet point already covers this matter in the ToRs. One Panel Member suggested that an agenda item could be included when getting CPs reach the change report phase for a reminder to check against the ToRs.
- 11.3 The Panel agreed 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.
- 11.4 The Chair noted that with the acceptance of DCP 290, Housekeeping item 96 can be closed.

ACTION: Panel _127/11: ElectraLink to progress DCP 290 to the Change Report phase.

Other Items

- 11.5 One Panel Member requested an update on the Corona 5 and Corona 4 licence transfer and accession application to which the CH confirmed that this item has been closed off as accession agreement has been sent in.

Next Meeting – 15 February 2017 at 10:00am

- 11.6 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
104/01	PW to work with the Secretariat and the DCUSA legal text advisor on DCP 226 'Housekeeping 66/72/73/77/80' to review and revise the DCUSA document.	Peter Waymont	21/09/2016 - On-hold
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
117/08	Process the Withdrawal Notices and Shares Transfer letters once Ofgem publish their Notice of Licence revocation. (See board Energy Limited and British Energy Direct Limited)	ElectraLink	21/09/2016 - In Progress The Parties have provided the signed withdrawal notices. The Shares Transfers letters are being processed 18/10/2016 – Ongoing 14/12/2016 – Ongoing 11/01/2017 – Withdrawal Notice processed for See Board Energy Limited.
126/10	Update the CGR3 Action Plan by checking the progress of all items and correcting status' as required. Completed items need to be updated to blue status colour.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Ongoing
127/01	Update the December 2016 Panel Minutes with the amendments noted below:	ElectraLink	

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127/02	Add a summary item of the DCUSA Panel discussions from previous meeting on the other CDCM proposals. CGR3 log to be updated with amber, red and green to align to the operational plan in that section.	ElectraLink	
127/03	Contact Matthew McKeon and request an update from the BSC for the February Panel meeting.	ElectraLink	
127/04	Provide feedback to the proposer that the funding arrangements should be addressed in the DCP 289 change report.	Peter Waymont	
127/05	Progress the Accession Application for Mattina Limited.	ElectraLink	
127/06	Amend the change register as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCP 289 to display the implementation date as the 01 April 2017 	ElectraLink	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update the DCP 274 implementation date to the 01 April 2019 to reflect the Working Groups agreed revised date. 		
127/07	Submit a revised Work Plan for DCP 274 to the DCUSA Panel, which reflects a change report submission date that aligns with the proposed implementation date.	ElectraLink	
127/08	<p>Amend the Voting Form attachment for the DCP 281 and 281A Change Report as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amend the 'voting end date' section of the table to state 10 February 2017 as agreed by the DCUSA Panel <p>Once updated the Change Report can be issued to Parties to vote upon.</p>	ElectraLink	
127/09	Schedule a DCUSA Panel ex-committee meeting via teleconference on 24 January 2017 at 1pm.	ElectraLink	
127/10	Close Housekeeping Items 91 and 96.	ElectraLink	
127/11	Progress DCP 290 to the Change Report phase.	ElectraLink	

Closed Actions – Open Session

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
122/09	Process the Accession Application Corona Energy Retail 4 Ltd	ElectraLink	<p>18/10/2016 – Ongoing</p> <p>14/12/2016 – Ongoing</p> <p>A chase e-mail and phone call has been made to Corona Energy Retail 4</p> <p>11/01/2017 – Completed</p>

			Corona Energy Retail 4 limited accession agreement received
123/02	Once Corona Energy 4 Ltd accession has progressed, withdraw Corona Energy 5 Ltd from the DCUSA as their licence has been transferred to Corona Energy 4 Ltd.	ElectraLink	12/10/2016 – In progress Updated agreement sent to Contract manager still awaiting information for the accession process to be completed 18/10/2016 – Ongoing 14/12/2016 – Ongoing 11/01/2017 - Completed
125/02	Explain to Corona 4 now that the licence has transferred from Corona 5 they need to complete an accession application	ElectraLink	14/12/2016 – Ongoing A chase e-mail and phone call has been made to Corona Energy Retail 4 11/01/2017 - Completed
126/01	Arrange Ex-Committee Panel meeting for a teleconference in early January for DCUSA Panel members to discuss the DCUSA impacts on the Ofgem Code Governance Consultation. A doodle for the 09/10/11 January 2016 will be issued to Panel members.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed.
126/02	Take the issue with Corona Energy 4 not acceding to DCUSA to reporting director at Ofgem.	Ofgem	11/01/2017 - Completed
126/03	Circulate the 70 changes identified across all the codes from the European Network Code to the DCUSA Panel members for their consideration.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed
126/04	Check the missing MPIDs from the Satus Energy Limited, Saphir Energy Limited and Spalt Energy Limited accession applications.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed.
126/05	Progress the accession applications	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed
126/06	Progress the Derogation application.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed.

126/07	Notify GnERGY Ltd that they are required to provide monthly updates to the DCUSA Panel informing them of their progress during the derogation period.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed
126/08	Inform Symbio Energy Solutions LLP and Energy Data Company Limited and DCUSA Parties of each withdrawal acceptance and update the website accordingly.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed
126/09	Submit comments to the Secretariat on the CACoP templates.	Panel Members	18/01/2017 - Completed
126/11	Progress DCP 287 to the definition phase and the secretariat directed to set up a Working Group.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed
126/12	Progress DCP 288 and Schedule an extra meeting of the TIG to work on DCP 288.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed
126/13	Progress DCP 289 and update the timetable for the change report agreed to change it to the DCUSA Panel date.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed
126/14	<p>Update the DCP 285 Change Report as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DCP number in Draft Legal Text attachment needs to be amended. It currently states DCP 267 however it should state DCP 285. • Remove the 's' from the end of 'Standards' in paragraph 4.3 of the Change Report. • Voting to be four weeks, this should be reflected in the Change Report and Voting Form) 	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure all documents reflect that All Parties can vote. <p>Once updated the Change Report can be issued to Parties to vote upon.</p>		
126/15	Add a new housekeeping log item on the omission of the DCP 234 legal text to update Schedule 17 and 18 Clause 1.3b	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed
126/16	Draft a CP to address the new housekeeping log item	Peter Waymont	18/01/2017 - Completed
126/17	Circulate the 70 changes from the ENC to the DCUSA Panel.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed
126/18	Provide a paper on the DCUSA Interventions Group activities to the January Panel.	ElectraLink	11/01/2017 - Completed

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"> • A check on the progress of all items and correcting status' as required. • Completed items need to be updated to blue status colour.

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

No	Task	Status	Owner	Outlook date
1	Distributed Generation	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 –	Panel (CA)	Ongoing

<p>and Demand Side Response</p>	<p>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> <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>		
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • It was highlighted that Ofgem will be publishing a strategy document on Demand Side Response. <p>October 2015</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Ofgem have published a paper on flexibility issue and that this can be found at the following link: https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/position-paper-making-electricity-system-more-flexible-and-delivering-benefits-consumers. <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"> • 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: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/towards-a-smart-energy-system • DECC issued a consultation on regulation and innovation and this can be found at the following link https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/consultation-on-ensuring-regulation-encourages-innovation <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 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</p>		
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		<p>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>		
2	European Code Development	<p>Industry Working Group (led by BSC / CUSC) to determine impact on industry.</p> <p>Ofgem/IDNO & 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>	Panel	Ongoing

	<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"> • 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. <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)⁵ 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>		
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⁵ GC0048 - Application / Implementation of the Requirements for Generators European Network Code

		<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> <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>		
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: https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/code-governance-review-workshop-22-july-2015</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</p>	Panel	Ongoing

		<p>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.</p> <p>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 Strategy⁶ 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> <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>		
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: https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/sites/default/files/docs/2015/07/crs_dcc_licence_consultation_final3.pdf</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>	Panel	Ongoing

⁶ https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/system/files/docs/2016/08/ofgem_implementation_strategy.pdf

		<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> <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"> • Request views on Ofgem’s proposed reform packages; • Test initial thinking on the RFI; and • Set out Ofgem’s next steps <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>		
5	Significant Code Review: Half Hourly Settlement.	January 2016 - Ofgem has initiated a review to establish cost effective half hourly settlement for all consumers.	Panel	Ongoing

		<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: https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/elective-half-hourly-settlement-publication-responses-december-open-letter</p> <p>May 2016 - AS informed the Panel that conclusions on Half Hourly Settlement will be published at the end of May 2016.</p> <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 Ofgem’s response to this is due to be published shortly.</p>		
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