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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 following ElectraLink's representation at the Blue Print Phase Design Team meetings.

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 DCUSA Panel meeting, this paper provides the DCUSA Panel with an update of the status of the following Ofgem project Design Teams:
 - Business Process 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 begun to consider the drafting of business rules for the switching arrangements with the aim of procuring legal support to produce the code drafting, from Easter 2017. This will be incorporated within a new Dual Fuel Retail Code.
Business Process Design Team (BPDT)
- 2.3 The switching programme RFI was released in January to market participants. Tailored versions were sent to gas and electricity Network Operators, Suppliers, Meter Operators (MOP/MAMs), Supplier agents, Meter Asset Providers and service providers such as Xoserve. They have requested a six-week window for respondents to reply.

Delivery Strategy Design Team (DSDT)

- 2.4 Ofgem are now planning the approach to the DLS phase of the programme, which will commence late Q1 2017. Product descriptions related to the deliverables are currently being created by Ofgem which shall cover the outputs of the DLS phase.
- 2.5 Resource from Ofgem, the DCC and code bodies will form the delivery teams within the DLS phase, which the wider industry consulted on the output at regular cycles.

3. Recommendation

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

4. Attachments

- There are no attachments to this paper.

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