

DCUSA HOUSEKEEPING AMENDMENTS LOG

No.	Title	Summary of Issue	Originator	Date Raised	Status
57	Review of Clause 25 and Schedule 5.	The DCUSA Smart Working Issues Group (SWIG) noted at its meeting in March 2012, that Clause 25 and Schedule 5 of the DCUSA will need to be reviewed following the outcome of any consequential changes as a result of the Green Deal.	Peter Waymont	14/03/2012	<p>This housekeeping amendment stemmed from a legal question on the Green Deal, it subsequently was determined to have no impact.</p> <p>The May 2013 Panel meeting identified an impact on Clause 25 from the proposed 'Disconnections' MRA Agreed Procedure (MAP). The DCUSA Panel is awaiting the outcome of the Disconnections MAP.</p> <p>This issue has been referred for discussion at the DCP 182 Working Group.</p>
65	Updates following the Green Deal legal text implementation to the NTC	There may be updates required to the National Terms of Connection (NTC) stemming from the Green Deal legal text. Raised by DCP 124 'Third Party Network – National Connection Terms amendment' Working Group (WG).			<p>The DCUSA legal advisor identified no changes required to the NTC prior to the Green Deal being implemented.</p> <p>The Panel sought further direction from the DCP 124 Working Group on any impact.</p> <p>The DCP 124 Chair considered the NTC did not need to be amended as it is covered by reference to complying with the licence or general law; one WG member queried <i>"if the Licence Exempt Distribution Network Operator</i></p>

					<p><i>(LEDNO) boundary is not itself a Green Deal exit point and the Embedded Metering Points that might be are not under our control where does that leave the DNO anyway?”</i></p> <p>The Panel asked the DCUSA Standing Issues Group (SIG) to discuss. The SIG considered that customers on an embedded network who have a Green Deal can be disconnected by a Private Network Operator (PNO) as the prevention of disconnection only legislated for DNOs via the Standard Distribution Licence conditions at 12.9 (A). The SIG agreed to raise this at the Green Deal Expert Group.</p> <p>The SIG reviewed proposed NTC legal text changes on Green Deal Boundary and Embedded Connection points and agreed that progression of this issue would depend upon the outcome of DCP 124.</p> <p>The Panel requested the SIG consider the way forward in light of Ofgem’s rejection of DCP 124. The Panel also asked the SIG to identify issues that could be raised in the Ofgem forum on the</p>
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					<p>development of default standard connection terms, to apply to Distribution Exempt Holders (DEH) who do not have a valid bilateral agreement in place.</p> <p>The SIG agreed that the current NTC only pertained to customers with metered connections. Without the introduction of section 5 proposed by DCP 124 for embedded customers there is no section of the NTC under which obligations could be statutorily imposed on the PNO.</p> <p>The SIG agreed to place the following issues on hold until the debate progressed by further discussion at the Ofgem forum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Green Deal connection terms• The application of Revenue Protection CoP on PNOs• Liabilities and Losses. <p>The DCUSA Panel agreed to place the housekeeping amendment on hold until the outcome of the DEHs forum is known.</p> <p>An invitation to the Ofgem Licence Exempt Networks Industry Forum on the 16 May 2014</p>
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					<p>was issued to the DCUSA Contract Managers following the March DCUSA Panel meeting.</p> <p>At the July DCUSA Panel meeting an e-mail update from John Lawton was presented to the DCUSA Panel. The DCUSA Panel referred the issue to the DCUSA SIG for further consideration.</p>
66	DCUSA Document	<p>The Panel noted there were typos and page numbering issues within the DCUSA document. E.g. page numbering errors Schedule 16 & 17, and Part 2B.</p> <p>Under clause 42.6 it was noted that 'clause' was misspelled.</p>	<p>Donna Townsend, Matthew Hays Stimson, and Jane Griffith</p>		<p>The DCUSA word document was re-formatted for the June DCUSA release. Further housekeeping issues were identified.</p> <p>The Panel agreed to raise a CP to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • correct housekeeping issues identified which have been introduced by legal text • correct the numbering of the tables and figures <p>One Panel member agreed to raise this change in conjunction with housekeeping amendment no. 72 and 73.</p>
72	DCUSA Clause Numbering	<p>DCP 142 'Using D2021 for all invoices/credit notes introduces a clause number 21.6 where there is no clause 21.5 preceding it. For clarity, Clause 21.5 has been inserted with the words</p>	<p>Peter Waymont</p>		<p>Delete clause 21.5 and re-number the inserted 21.6 as 21.5 to maintain consistency within the DCUSA. One Panel member agreed to raise this change in conjunction with housekeeping</p>

		"Not Used" for the October DCUSA release.			amendments no. 66 and 73.
73	Gas Supplier Parties Definition	DCP 127 introduced a Gas Supplier Parties definition in to DCUSA Section 1A Definitions. This definition contains the plural 'Parties' rather than the singular 'Party' as recorded in the other party category definitions under the DCUSA.			In order to maintain consistency within the document, change "Gas Supplier Parties" to "Gas Supplier Party" (see DCUSA Panel Paper 088/11). One Panel member agreed to raise this change in conjunction with housekeeping amendments no. 66 and 72.
74	Panel Reserves Nomination Process	Amend the DCUSA to allow Panel Reserves to nominate themselves in an election.	DCUSA Panel		The DCUSA currently holds no clause on the nomination process for Panel reserves. The Panel agreed to raise a housekeeping amendment that would clarify that candidates can nominate themselves as a Panel reserve.
75	Restrictions on voting rights for new Parties	The Panel identified a change may be required to restrict voting rights for new Parties until the Authority has granted the relevant Supplier / Distribution Licence.	DCUSA Panel	18 October 2013	The DCUSA Panel agreed that a change may be required to restrict voting rights for new Parties until the Authority has granted the relevant Supplier / Distribution Licence.

76	Timescales for DCUSA Working Groups	Amend the DCUSA to reflect the average timescale for the progression of a CP as it is greater than foreseen in the current legal text.	DCUSA Panel	15 January 2014	<p>The DCUSA provides a 60 Working Day timescale for a CP to be progressed following its initial assessment with subsequent 40 Working Day extension periods which may be requested by the Working Group. The DCUSA legal text does not accurately reflect the average timescales for a CP to be progressed through the change process. As a result the DCUSA Panel has a standing item on its agenda to approve extensions. The DCUSA Panel agreed that a change may be required to amend Clause 11.12.</p> <p>Raised as DCP 210</p>
77	Misleading references in Schedule 23	Amend the DCUSA to clarify the references made to Appendix 3 instead of Appendix 2 in Schedule 23.	DCUSA Panel	16 April 2014	The DCUSA Panel agreed for a CP to be raised in conjunction with Housekeeping Amendments No. 66 'DCUSA Document', No. 72 'DCUSA Clause Numbering' and No. 73 'Gas Supplier Parties Definition'.
79	Amendment to DCP 207 Legal Text	In its Authority Decision on DCP 207, Ofgem noted that it considers it is potentially misleading to suggest that a derogation issued by the Authority is 'not effective' for the purposes of the DCUSA unless sent to the	ElectraLink	17 September	JL has taken ownership of this housekeeping item

		DCUSA Panel and it is also ambiguous as it does not state who should notify the Panel. Ofgem have requested that a further housekeeping change be raised to clarify this clause.			
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