

Paper

Meeting Name	DCUSA Panel
Meeting Date	15 October 2014
Paper Title	Change Register: Status Updates
Purpose of Paper	For Decision
Synopsis	This paper presents the Change Register of all open DCUSA Change Proposals (CPs) and provides information on key points to note or decisions required.

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This paper presents the DCUSA Change Register summary paper (Attachment 1) and highlights key points to note and decisions required on the open Change Proposals (CP) up to the date upon which it has been issued. Any further updates to the status of a CP will be provided verbally at the meeting.

2 CHANGE PROPOSAL STATUS UPDATES

- 2.1 This section of the paper details CPs which have progressed to a new stage within the Change Process since the previous Panel meeting.

Implemented	
CP Name	DCP 208 'Non-Veto Of Derogations'
CP Intent	This CP seeks to allow the Panel to approve derogations requests unless vetoed by Ofgem within a defined timeframe.
Status : Implemented	The DCP 208 Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 05 August 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>accept</u> DCP 208 from Parties. The Authority directed for this change to be made in the next DCUSA release. The DCP 208 change was implemented in to the DCUSA on the 01 October 2014.
CP Name	DCP 207 'Amending Licence & DCUSA Derogation Scope'
CP Intent	This CP seeks to widen the scope and amend the wording of Clause 56 to reflect the fact that the Authority may grant a derogation from the licence to any licensed party who is a party to the DCUSA and not just a Distributor requesting derogation from charging methodologies as it is currently worded.
Status : Implemented	The DCP 207 Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 05 August 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>accept</u> DCP 207 from Parties. The Authority directed for this change to be

made in the next DCUSA release. The DCP 207 change was implemented in to the DCUSA on the 01 October 2014.

Awaiting Implementation

CP Name	DCP 195 and DCP 195A 'Service Level Agreement for Resolving Network Operational Issues '
CP Intent	This CP seeks to establish a Service Level Agreement between Suppliers and networks owners for the resolution of network issues. The Service Level Agreement will specify timescales for resolution of network issues where the asset condition code is identified as either category A or category B.
Status : Awaiting Implementation	The DCP 195 and DCP 195A Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 08 July 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>reject</u> DCP 195 and <u>reject</u> DCP 195A from Parties. The Authority rejected the DCP 195 change and directed for the DCP 195A change to be made and be implemented in an extraordinary DCUSA release on 12 February 2015.

CP Name	DCP 185 'LDNO Discount On 20% Of Residual Revenue'
CP Intent	This CP seeks to make changes to Schedules 17 and 18 of DCUSA for the calculation of location specific charges for LDNOs which have EDCM equivalent end customers connected to their network, and apply any discount on an equal basis between the DNO and LDNO.
Status: Awaiting Implementation	The DCP 185 Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 05 August 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>accept</u> DCP 185 from Parties. The Authority directed for this change to be made and for the change to be implemented on the 01 April 2015.

Awaiting Authority Decision

CP Name	DCP 215 'The Inclusion of a Theft Assessment Calculator within DCUSA'
CP Intent	This CP seeks to place an obligation on Parties to make use of a theft assessment calculator that has been procured by DCUSA Ltd/DCUSA Panel.
Status: Awaiting Authority Decision	The DCP 215 Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 10 September 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>accept</u> DCP 215 from Parties. The indicative decision date for the DCP 215

change is the 15 October 2014.	
CP Name	DCP 200 “Unmetered Supplies’ – Revision To Schedule 22 Of The DCUSA (the Common Connection Charging Methodology)’
CP Intent	This CP seeks to update the existing text to reflect current unmetered market practices as a consequence of the on-going extension of contestable activities within the area of Competition in Connections (CIC).
Status : Awaiting Authority Decision	The DCP 200 Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 10 September 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>accept</u> DCP 200 from Parties. The indicative decision date for the DCP 200 change is the 15 October 2014.
CP Name	DCP 196 ‘Panel Ability To Refer A Change Proposal To The DCUSA Standing Issues Group For Pre-assessment’.
CP Intent	This CP seeks To allow the Panel to refer a change proposal submitted to them to the DCUSA Standing Issues Group prior to it entering the formal assessment process.
Status : Awaiting Authority Decision	The DCP 196 Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 10 September 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>accept</u> DCP 196 from Parties. The indicative decision date for the DCP 196 change is the 15 October 2014.
CP Name	DCP 179 ‘Amending the CDCM tariff structure’
CP Intent	This CP seeks to amend the existing tariff structure within CDCM by introducing half hourly metered tariffs for current transformer (CT) metered customers and whole current (WC) metered customers.
Status: Awaiting Authority Decision	The DCP 179 Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 10 September 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>accept the solution and reject the implementation date</u> DCP 179 from Parties. The indicative decision date for the DCP 179 change is the 15 October 2014.
CP Name	DCP 178 ‘Notification Period For Change To Use Of System Charges’
CP Intent	This CP seeks to amend the notice period in section 19.1 of DCUSA for finalising tariffs from 40 days to 15 months. Changes may also be required to schedules 16 to 18.
Status: Awaiting Authority Decision	The DCP 178 Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 08 July 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>reject</u> DCP 178 from Parties. The Authority issued a ' Consultation On A Proposal To Increase Significantly The Notification Period For Changes To Distribution Use Of System Charges' on the 8 August 2014 closing on the 19 September 2014.

CP Name	DCP 167 and 167A 'Additional Example(s) For The Common Connection Charging Methodology To Illustrate 'Remote Reinforcement' And 'Network Reconfiguration''
CP Intent	This CP seeks to provide increased clarity within the DNO Common Connection Charge Methodology for the calculation of connection charges where it is proposed to carry out 'remote reinforcement' or 'network reconfiguration'
Status: Awaiting Authority Decision	The DCP 167 and 167A Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 10 September 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>accept</u> DCP 167 and <u>reject</u> DCP 167A change from Parties. The indicative decision date for the DCP 167 and 167A change is the 15 October 2014.
CP Name	DCP 162 and 162A 'Non-Secure Connections In The Common Connections Charging Methodology'
CP Intent	This CP seeks to amend the common 'Statement of Methodology and Charges for Connection', which is governed by the DCUSA, to include connection charging arrangements associated with 'non-secure' connections and to provide accompanying illustrative examples.
Status: Awaiting Authority Decision	The DCP 162 and 162A Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 10 September 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>accept</u> the DCP 162 and <u>reject</u> DCP 162A change from Parties. The indicative decision date for the DCP 162 and 162A change is the 15 October 2014.
CP Name	DCP 161 'Excess Capacity Charges'
CP Intent	This CP seeks to change the CDCM/EDCM to calculate a cost reflective excess capacity charge will align the incentives on customers to manage their capacity with the costs incurred by Distributors. This will remove the incentive upon customers to avoid contracting for the capacity they require and place a stronger incentive on customers to manage their capacity more effectively where they wish to avoid elevated capacity charges and should generally cause a reduction in the need for reinforcement to the benefit of all customers. 2.
Status: Awaiting Authority Decision	The DCP 161 Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 10 September 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to <u>reject</u> DCP 161 from Parties. The indicative decision date for the DCP 161 change is the 15 October 2014.
CP Name	DCP 137 'Introduction Of Locational Tariffs For The Export From HV Generators In Areas Identified As Generation Dominated.'
CP Intent	This CP seeks to change the methodology for calculating charges for

HV generators within the CDCM by:

1. Introducing a methodology to identify which primary substations are generator dominated.
2. Reducing or removing the credit for the units exported by High Voltage (HV) generators connected to the primary substations that have been identified as generation dominated.

**Status: Awaiting
Authority Decision**

The DCP 133 Change Report was issued to Ofgem on 10 September 2014 for its Authority decision with a recommendation to accept the solution and reject the implementation date from Parties. The indicative decision date for the DCP 137 change is the 15 October 2014.

Voting

CP Name **DCP 189 Un-expired Capitalised O&M**

CP Intent This CP seeks to exempt EDCM customers with un-expired capitalized O&M payments from paying the fixed charge component associated with the direct operating cost element of the sole use asset (SUA) charges in their import charges. This will prevent such customers paying twice for the same service.

Status : Voting The DCP 189 Change Report was approved by the DCUSA Panel ex-committee and issued to DCUSA Parties to vote upon by the 09 October 2014.

Change Report

CP Name **DCP 190 and DCP 190A 'Credit For Equipment Recovery Associated With Temporary Connections'**

CP Intent This CP seeks to amend the Common Connection Charging Methodology (CCCM) such that customers may receive a credit for the value of any equipment recovered by us, that we can subsequently reuse, as a result of the disconnection of a temporary connection.

Status : Change Report The DCP 190 and DCP 190A Change Report is to be presented at the October DCUSA Panel meeting.

CP Name **DCP 217 'Rate of Return'**

CP Intent This urgent CP seeks to revise the legal text within DCUSA for the 'Annuity Rate of Return' in Schedule 16 and 'Discount Rate' in Schedule 17 & 18 to reflect the current value used, which is 5.6%.

Status: Change Report

The DCP 217 Change Report was submitted to the DCUSA Change Process as an urgent change and will be considered by the DCUSA Panel ex-committee.

3 CHANGE PROPOSAL ACTIVITY

- 3.1 This section of the paper highlights key aspects of recent Change Proposal activity in the definition phase.

Consultations

Two Working Groups have issued consultations to relevant industry participants which close in October 2014.

Consultations**DCP 183 'To Convert the Super Red KWH to KVA when Calculating the EDCM Tariffs'**

Consultation Period: 23 September 2014 – 14 October 2014

The current EDCM methodology is inconsistent as kVA is applied at the level of connection and kWh is applied upstream. DCP 183 has been raised to remove this inconsistency. The intent of the change proposal is to use super red reactive power and apply this to the super red demand to turn kWh to kVA.

DCP 210 'The Assessment Timetable'

Consultation Period: 8 October 2014 - 27 October 2014

This CP seeks to introduce a more flexible approach to the DCUSA Change Process assessment timetable. This will reduce the administrative burden and ensure that a more appropriate timetable is applied to each change proposal.

4 CHANGE PROPOSAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS EXTENSIONS

- 4.1 In accordance with DCUSA Section 1C, Clause 11.12, the Panel is invited to consider extensions to the Assessment Processes for the following 13 CPs:

Change Proposal**Recent Developments****DCP 114**

The Working Group is considering the legal text.

DCP 115	The Working Group is considering the legal text.
DCP 182	The Working Group is reviewing a consultation document with a view to issuing it in late October.
DCP 198	The Working Group is meeting on the 10 October 2014 to review the consultation responses.
DCP 203	The Working Group is drafting the second consultation.
DCP 204	The Working Group is in the process of reviewing consultation responses.
DCP 205	The DCP 205 Working Group are reviewing a first draft of the legal text from the option chosen following consultation one at their next meeting on the 17 October 2014.
DCP 209	The Working Group is reviewing a letter requesting legal advice from Wragge & Co. on the powers of a DNO to disconnect a premise in order to draft the letter templates for the CP. The Chair has undertaken further research on Standard Licence Condition 49 to feed in to the DCP 209 change.
DCP 210	A consultation on this CP closes on 27 October 2014.
DCP 211	The Working Group will review consultation responses at its next meeting on the 10 October 2014.
DCP 212	The Working Group is meeting on the 10 October 2014 to review the consultation responses.
DCP 213	This CP is in the process of being withdrawn subject to the two week notice period to Parties. This CP was

	withdrawn as the intent of the CP was too narrow to encompass the changes identified by the Working Group. The proposer intends to re-submit this CP with a broader intent.
DCP 214	A consultation is in the process of being drafted and will be issued between the 08 – 10 October to DCUSA Parties.

5 RECOMMENDATION

5.1 The DCUSA Panel is invited to:

- NOTE the Change Proposal status updates;
- NOTE the Change Proposal activity; and
- APPROVE the extensions to the Change Proposal Assessment Processes.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – DCUSA Change Proposal Register