#### **DCUSA Change Proposal Form**

This form should be used by DCUSA Parties who wish raise a draft or formal Change Proposal and for DCUSA members and other interested parties to return their comments on DCUSA Change Proposals which have been circulated for consultation.

Originators - please complete Section A of this form and submit to <a href="https://documents.co.uk.">DCUSA@electralink.co.uk.</a>

Respondents – please complete Section B of this form and return it to <a href="DCUSA@electralink.co.uk">DCUSA@electralink.co.uk</a> your response should include your assessment of the solution and comments on the Change Proposal drafting. If you reject the solution then please supply your reason for rejection and an alternative solution. Even if you reject a solution your responses should state whether the proposed implementation date is acceptable to your organisation. If it is not acceptable, please indicate the reasons why and an alternative date.

SECTION A: To be completed by originator

<b>Document Control</b>	
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Change Proposal Details		
CP Title	Moving Meters with Service Alterations (Alternative Version)	
DCUSA Parties believed to be	Distributor / Supplier / IDNO / <del>DG</del>	

impacted	
Proposal to Change	Part 1 / <del>Part 2 / Other</del>
	Schedule / Clause:
Summary of Change	Gives permission to distributors to move meters when making service alterations.
Related CPs	Please indicate if this CP is related to or impacts any other CP already in the DCUSA or other industry Change Process  DCP19

## **Proposed Solution**

We propose that a new sub-clause of Clause 29 is inserted into DCUSA as detailed below (please note: a change marked version of this text is provided as a separate attachment).

This solution differs from the DCP19 Working Group solution as follows:

• Contains an additional clause (29.x.6 in drafting below) requiring the Company to indemnify the User, which balances Clause 29.x.5 in the Working Group Option which requires the User to indemnify the Company.

## **Proposed Drafting**

#### **Section 1C**

9.5.2 Clauses 17.3 (Obligation to Include National Terms of Connection Wording in Contracts), 18.1 (Provision of Use of System), 19.1 and 19.2 (Charges), 24 (Security Cover), 25 (Energisation, De-Energisation and Re- Energisation), 26.1 (Compliance with the Distribution Code), 27.1 (Compliance with MOCOPA), 29x (Service Alterations), 30.5 to 30.12 (inclusive) (Dangerous Incidents and Advance Notice of Interruptions and Damage or Interference), 31.1 (Demand Control), and 33.1 to 33.2 (inclusive) (Compensation Under Guaranteed Performance Standards);

## **Section 2A**

## **Service Alterations**

- Where a Customer, or a User pursuant to sub-paragraph (2)(a) of paragraph 1 of Schedule 6 of the Act, requests that the Company relocates a Metering Point and its associated metering equipment at the same time as relocating the associated Entry Point or Exit Point, the Company may agree to such a request.
- Where an agreement is made pursuant to Clause 29x.1, the Company shall relocate the Metering Point and its associated metering equipment in accordance with Good Industry Practice.
- 29x.3 The User hereby consents to the Company working on and relocating the metering equipment that is the subject of an agreement made pursuant to Clause 29x.1.
- 29x.4 The User undertakes to ensure that the relevant Meter Operator Agent and the Meter Asset Provider consent to the Company working on and relocating the metering equipment that is the subject of an agreement made pursuant to Clause 29x.1.
- 29.x.5 The User shall indemnify and hold the Company harmless against all actions, costs, demands, claims, expenses, liability, loss or damage howsoever arising or incurred by the Company as a result of any breach of the undertaking given by the User under Clause 29x.4.
- 29..x.6 The Company shall indemnify and hold the User harmless against all actions, costs, demands, claims, expenses, liability, loss or damage howsoever arising or incurred by the User as a result of any breach of the undertakings given by the Company in Clause 29.x.2.
- 29x.7 Where the Company has relocated a Metering Point and its associated metering equipment pursuant to Clause 29x.1 it shall notify the User's appointed Meter Operator Agent of its new location in accordance with the BSC.

### **Proposed Implementation Technique**

#### Phased Implementation / Big Bang

### **Proposed Implementation Date**

Please specify and give a reason if proposed date is outside the release schedule

February / June / November Release Year: 2008

Other:

# **DCUSA Objectives**

Please state which DCUSA Objective(s) will be better facilitated by this CP

- The development, maintenance and operation by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of efficient, co-ordinated, and economical Distribution Networks:
- 2. The facilitation of effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity and (so far as is consistent therewith) the promotion of such competition in the sale, distribution and purchase of electricity;

#### **Business Justification Including Market Benefits**

Customers requiring service alterations usually require the meter to also be moved. The customer is responsible for arranging the service alteration with the distributor and for asking his supplier to move the meter via the meter operator. If these two activities cannot be co-ordinated then the service alteration may not proceed or to do so would leave the customer off supply until the MOP visit happened (as it would not be re-energised without a meter).

By allowing the distributor to move the meter while doing the service alterations works the customer is not required to co-ordinate the two activities and metered supply will be restored in an efficient way.

This will improve the customer experience.

Inclusion of the new Clause 29.x.6 will ensure that both Companies <u>and</u> Users have appropriate indemnity clauses in place relating to any meter move work undertaken, as opposed to the Working Group option which contains an indemnity clause for the benefit of Companies only (Clause 29.x.5)

#### **Authority Consent**

Yes (Part One) / No (Part Two)