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<b>Meeting Name</b>	DCUSA Panel
<b>Meeting Date</b>	Ex-Committee by Email – 28 March 2008
<b>Paper Title</b>	Initial Assessment Report – DCP 020
<b>Purpose of Paper</b>	For Decision
<b>Synopsis</b>	This paper presents an Urgent Change Proposal that has been submitted to the DCUSA Secretariat and requests agreement on its progression.

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This paper refers an Urgent DCUSA Change Proposal (DCP) to the DCUSA Panel for agreement on its progression.
- 1.2 The CP has been assessed by the Secretariat in accordance with Section 10.11 of the DCUSA. The CP has met the requirements and ElectraLink has prepared a recommendation for consideration by the Panel.

## 2 SUMMARY OF CHANGE PROPOSAL FOR CONSIDERATION

- 2.1 DCP 020 - *Housekeeping re DCP012/009* is attached as Appendix A. The following table shows a summary of the CP:

Raising Party	EDF Energy Networks
CP Status	Urgent
Change Synopsis	Following the approval of DCP 012, this change seeks to put the drafting of the DCUSA onto a basis that reflects the intent of the interaction of DCP 012 with DCP 009, DCP 013 and DCP 014.
Parties Impacted	Distributors, Suppliers & IDNOs
Part 1 / Part 2	Part 1
Authority Consent	Required
Proposed Implementation	As soon as possible following Authority Consent

### **3 DCP 020 - HOUSEKEEPING RE DCP012/009**

- 3.1 DCP 020 has been raised by EDF Energy Networks following the approval of DCP 012. The CP seeks to put the drafting of the DCUSA onto a basis that reflects the intent of the interaction of DCP 012 with DCP 009, DCP 013 and DCP 014.
- 3.2 The work on DCP012 was done simultaneously with other changes being proposed to DCUSA. Although the changes made by DCP009, DCP013 and DCP014 were not set out in the full DCUSA drafting given with DCP012 (as they had not been approved), the note at the front of DCP012 stated that if approved the amendments to be made by DCP009, DCP013 and DCP014 "will apply despite the fact that they are not shown in this document".
- 3.3 Where there is no interaction of the drafting of the DCPs this is easily accommodated, for example, the new paragraph (e) in the definition of "Relevant Charging Statement" (added by DCP009) has been included in the DCUSA despite that fact that it is not set out in DCP012 and because DCP012 does not amend it.
- 3.4 However, where DCP012 amended the same definition or clause as another DCP, DCP012 as the later change has been implemented and has unintentionally thereby unpicked some of those prior amendments. It was recognized that DCUSA should be updated post DCP012 to properly reflect the intent of those other changes.
- 3.5 As a result of DCP012, the position has become complicated as regards the definitions of "Charges", "Transactional Charges" and "Use of System Charges". The proposed amendments to the drafting are set out in the Change Proposal which is attached as Appendix A. The drafting has been reviewed by Wragge and Co.
- 3.6 The proposer considers that the CP will better facilitate Objective 4 of the DCUSA and will clarify the intent of the interaction between DCP012 and DCP 009, DCP 013 and DCP 014.
- 3.7 The proposer has asked that the CP be considered as an Urgent change noting that while it may appear to be a housekeeping change, the definitions have an impact on charging and credit cover and so the clarification should be made as soon as possible to avoid any doubt caused by the implementation of DCP012.
- 3.8 As DCP012 is to be implemented on 1 April 2008 DCP 020 has been assessed as an Urgent Part 1 matter in accordance with Clause 10.7 of the Agreement as "the Change Proposal is linked to an imminent date-related event". It is recommended that the CP should be entered into the Assessment Phase and progressed directly through to the Report Phase.

### **4 PROGRESSION OF THE CP AS AN URGENT CHANGE**

- 4.1 In order to expedite the progression of DCP 020 the Panel is also invited to consider and agree the Change Report for issue to Parties. It is recommended that the Change Report is issued to all DNO, IDNO and Supplier Parties for a period of 10 WD. The Change Report is attached as Appendix B.

4.2 A proposed timetable for the progression of the proposal is outlined below:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Date</b>
Ex-Committee Panel by email – IA Report agreed	28 March – 04 April 2008
Party Voting	07 April – 21 April 2008
Authority Determination Period	22 April – 28 May 2008
Implementation	ASAP following Authority Consent

## **5 RECOMMENDATIONS**

The DCUSA Panel is invited to:

- Accept the referral of DCP 020;
- Agree that the CP should be entered into the Assessment Procedure;
- Agree that the CP should be treated as an Urgent change;
- Agree that the CP should be treated as a Part 1 matter;
- Agree that the CP should be progressed through the Report Phase;
- Approve the Change Report for issue to Parties; and
- Agree the progression of the CP in accordance with the timetable set out in Section 4.2.

## **6 APPENDICES**

- Appendix A – DCP 020
- Appendix B – DCP 020 – Change Report