

APPENDIX B - RESPONSE FORM

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How do the proposed CPs better facilitate the DCUSA Objectives?

<i>Change Proposal</i>	<i>Better Facilitates (Yes/No)</i>	<i>Which Objective</i>	<i>Reasons/Comments</i>
DCP001	Yes	<i>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;</i>	We agree with the working group that this proposal better facilitates part of this objective in regard of competition in the supply of electricity.
DCP001a	As DCP001		
DCP001b	As DCP001		

DCP001c	As DCP001		

Are there any other alternative solutions you would like to be considered by the DCP 001 Working Group?

We would like to see a slight change in option DCP001b to read.

The User shall pay to the company in respect of services provided under the Agreement the charges set out in the Relevant Charging Statement. The Company shall make reasonable endeavours to vary such charges up to 2 times a year, with charges to apply from 1st April and 1st October, by giving the requisite period of written notice to the User (where the requisite period of notice for indicative charges is 150 days and for actual charges is 56 days). Such charges and any variations are and will be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the Relevant Charging Statement

Reasons and explanations:

This alternative would be to extend the notification period that the DNOs have to provide to 56 days for actual charges and 150 days for indicative charges (this would simply bring DUoS notification periods in line with Gas distribution, transmission and Electricity Transmission).

If you believe more than one solution better facilitate the DCUSA objectives, indicate an order of priority between each of the alternatives. This will inform the Panel's decision about which alternate(s) to put forward for formal voting in addition to the original CP.

Highest Priority: DCP001b

Next Priority if any: DCP001a

Next Priority if any: DCP001

Next Priority if any: DCP001c

Reasons and explanations:

We believe that stability in charges facilitates competition between suppliers. Option DCP001b gives suppliers the confidence in knowing charges can only change twice a year but also gives DNO parties the opportunity to change their prices if faced with large under/over recovery. Option DCP001a gives suppliers an even greater confidence but also leaves DNO parties in a worse position, which on balance is not as reasonable a situation as DCP001b.

Indicate if you expect to incur any costs to support each alternative, particularly where these are related to internal system changes:

Comment on the suitability of the proposed implementation date for each CP and each alternative:

DCP001 date has been missed, we are happy with the alternate solution.

Reasons and explanations:

Any other comments or views on the Change Proposal and Alternatives:

Please clearly indicate which parts, if any, of your comments are to be treated by the Working Group and Panel as confidential.