

# DCP 291 Working Group Meeting 01

30 March 2017 at 10:00am

Web-Conference

Attendee	Company
<b>Working Group Members</b>	
Andrew Enzor [AE]	Northern Powergrid
Anika Brandt [AB]	SSE
Chris Ong [CO]	UK Power Networks
Claire Campbell [CC]	Scottish Power Energy Networks
Dave Wornell [DW]	UK Power Networks
Eda Dirks [ED]	Ofgem
Robert Fairbairn [RB]	Northern Powergrid
<b>Code Administrator</b>	
Rosalind Timperley [RT] (Chair)	ElectraLink
Dan Fittock [DF] (technical secretariat)	ElectraLink

Apologies	Company
Simon Yeo	Western Power Distribution

## 1. Administration

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed the members to the meeting.
- 1.2 The Working Group reviewed the “Competition Law Do’s and Don’ts”. All Working Group members agreed to be bound by the Competition Laws Do’s and Don’ts for the duration of the meeting.

- 1.3 The Terms of Reference for the meeting were reviewed and the Working Group agreed that these were a fair and accurate representation of the Working Group's objectives.

## 2. Purpose of the Meeting

- 2.1 The secretariat set out that the purpose of the meeting is to review and analyse the Change Proposal (CP) and agree the preliminary consultation questions.

## 3. Analysis of the DCP 291 Change Proposal

- 3.1 DW walked the Working Group through the Change Proposal, noting that this change was put forward by the Distribution Charging Methodology Forum (DCMF) Methodologies Issues Group (MIG) in November 2016.
- 3.2 DW confirmed that in the EDCM if an F factor is set greater than 0 for intermittent generators then no credit is received, even if a credit is available for it. This is a discrepancy between the EDCM and the CDCM as in the CDCM even if the F factor is 0, all generators receive the credit. In order to resolve this issue, this proposal seeks to set the F factor to 1 for all generators.
- 3.3 The MIG believe that if a credit is available for the generator, then this should be awarded to the generator as a benefit for their position on the network.
- 3.4 The Ofgem representative queried how this inconsistency between the EDCM and CDCM came about and Working Group members explained that they believed that it was Ofgem's decision in 2012 to set non-intermittent generator's F factor to 0, but did not recall their reasoning for this decision. AE agreed to an action to locate the Ofgem decision documentation from 2012 and circulate this to the Working Group to give clarity to this query.

**ACTION: 01/01 - AE**

- 3.5 The Ofgem representative also questioned whether the change proposal linked to DCP 268<sup>1</sup>, and whether DCP 268 has to be voted upon for this change proposal to progress. The Working Group confirmed that DCP 268 does not have to be completed for DCP 291 to progress as DCP 268 will be moving all distributed generators from NHH settlement to HH settlement on a Red, Amber, Green basis and so does not impact the application of generation credits.
- 3.6 AE noted that the proposal sets the F factor to 1 for all generators and would give remote and local generators credits at the voltage level of connection. AE further proposed that instead of giving credits at both on the level and above, this change should we follow the CDCM model of only giving credits for voltage level above the level of connection. Further, the 2012 Ofgem decision

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<sup>1</sup> DCP 268 - DUoS Charging Using HH settlement data

documentation refers to 'partial-credits', which may be relevant to intermittent. The Working Group agreed that this issue should be added to the consultation for industry consideration.

#### Review of Legal Text

- 3.7 The Working Group agreed that in light of the previous conversations earlier in the meeting, it was worth waiting until such a time that the reasons for the 2012 Ofgem decision are clear to then review the legal text of DCP 291.
- 3.8 The Working Group discussed whether a new model would be required and it was agreed that as this proposal seeks to replace the 0's with 1's for the F factor on all generators and does not impact the model structures themselves, no new models would be required. However, it was agreed that an RFI would be required for this proposal to gather views from DNOs on whether setting the F factor to 1 for all generators would have an impact on the current models. AE agreed to prepare a draft template for the RFI and circulate this to the Working Group so that the DNOs present can submit their data to ElectraLink in a uniform format.

**ACTION: 01/02 - AE**

## 4. Work Plan

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- 4.1 The DCP 291 Working Group reviewed the Work Plan and ElectraLink agreed to update this as a result of the meeting discussions.

## 5. Agenda Items for the next meeting

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- 5.1 The Working Group agreed to add the following items to the agenda for the next meeting;
- A review of the draft consultation as prepared by ElectraLink;
  - Working Group discussion on the 2012 Ofgem decision; and
  - Review of the RFI responses.

## 6. Any Other Business

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- 6.1 There were no items of AOB and the Chair closed the meeting.

## 7. Date of Next Meeting: 25 April 2017

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- 7.1 The Working Group agreed to have the next meeting on 25 April 2017.

## 8. Attachments

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- Attachment 1 – DCP 291 Work Plan

## New and open actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
<b>01/01</b>	To locate the Ofgem decision documentation from 2012 and circulate this to the Working Group to give clarity to this query.	Andrew Enzor	
<b>01/02</b>	To prepare a draft template for the RFI and circulate this to the Working Group so that the DNOs present can submit their data to ElectraLink in a uniform format.	Andrew Enzor	