

**DCP 243 Draft Legal Text**

**Customer Contributions under Current Connection Charging Policy – revision to  
Schedule 16 of the DCUSA (the Common Distribution Charging Methodology)**

Amend the following wording at the beginning of Schedule 16:

**Implementation Date**

This Schedule 16, version ~~×~~[TBC], is to be used for the calculation of Use of System Charges which will become effective from, ~~dd-mm-yyyy~~[TBC] and remain effective until superseded by a revised version<sup>1</sup>.

Amend paragraph 3 of Schedule 16 as follows:

- 3 In order to comply with this methodology statement when setting distribution Use of System Charges the DNO Party will populate and publish the CDCM model version ~~xxx~~[TBC] when issued by the Panel in accordance with Clause 14.5.3<sup>2</sup>.

Amend paragraph 29 to 31 of Schedule 16 as follows<sup>3</sup>:

29. The DNO Party estimates the extent to which the assets at each network level used by each category of users ~~would have been~~are expected to be covered by customer contributions ~~based on recent connections activity~~if they had been constructed under ~~the charging year's connection charging policy.~~

30. The DNO Party groups users into categories, by network level of supply, for the purpose of making these estimates.

30A. For the latest completed five year period, the DNO Party determines:

- a) total expenditure on connections activity; and
- b) total income from Connection Charges

<sup>1</sup> To be completed on implementation of this CP by reference to the application of the then current CM. (This text is introduced by DCP 293 which is due to be implemented on 01 April 2018).

<sup>2</sup> To be completed on implementation of this CP by reference to the application of the then current CM. This text is introduced by DCP 293 which is due to be implemented on 01 April 2018).

<sup>3</sup> This revised text for paragraph 31 shall apply regardless of whether or not DCP283 is approved (and shall apply in place of the DCP283 text for paragraph 31 where both DCP243 and this DCP283 are approved/implemented).

**Commented [DT1]:** The footnote has been copied from the DCP 283 legal text as provided by Gowling WLG on 07 December 2017 with changes to the DCP references. It may need to be amended further if it doesn't align to how the two changes interact.

**Commented [DT2]:** QUESTION: Do you believe that Parties would find this Clause more or less ambiguous with the changes suggested?  
If yes, the Working Group will retain the original legal text for Clause 29.

for connections activities which were undertaken solely by the host DNO (i.e. with no involvement from an Independent Connection Provider), excluding connection schemes for embedded generation.

30B. The customer contribution is calculated by dividing [total income from Connection Charges] by [total expenditure on connections activity], and is expressed as a percentage.

31. The network model is discounted by customer contributions at each network level in the calculation of all tariffs. In the case of generators, ~~the proportions relate to the notional assets whose construction or expansion might be avoided due to the generator's offsetting of demand on the network, and, it~~ takes the same values as for a demand user at the same network level of supply.