

DCP 243 Working Group Meeting 17

19 May 2017 at 10:00pm

Teleconference

Attendee	Company
Working Group Members	
Simon Yeo [SY] (part meeting)	Western Power Distribution
Dominic Green [DG] (part meeting)	Ofgem
Andrew Enzor [AE]	Northern Powergrid
Chris Ong [CO]	UKPN
Dan Hickman [DH]	NPower
Chris Barker [CB]	ENWL
Code Administrator	
John Lawton [JL] (Chair)	ElectraLink
Dylan Townsend [DT] (technical secretariat)	ElectraLink

Apologies	Company
Robert Fairbairn	Northern Powergrid
Kathryn Evans	SP Energy Networks

1. Welcomes and Apologies

- 1.1 The Secretariat noted the attendees and apologies.

2. Administration

- 2.1 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.
- 2.2 The minutes of the last meeting were approved as an accurate record of proceedings.

- 2.3 The Working Group reviewed the open actions. Updates on all actions are provided in Appendix 1.

3. Purpose of the Meeting

- 3.1 The secretariat set out that the purpose of the meeting, review the draft consultation document, Impact Assessment and draft legal text.

4. Review of DCP 243 draft consultation four

- 4.1 The Chair highlighted that an email had been circulated by the Proposer prior to the meeting which detailed their view that the implementation date of 01 April 2019 appears to be in jeopardy and that being the case a revised implementation date be considered. The Working Group agreed that the implementation date should be set to 01 April 2020.
- 4.2 One member questioned if this change has any impact on the residual charges to which it was noted that it does not. The Group discussed the potential cross over with Ofgem's recent announcement that they are undertaking a SCR that will be looking at residual charges.
- 4.3 The Ofgem representative questioned how DCUSA deals with any potential cross over with the SCR and noted that their belief is that the change should definitely progress as a lot of good work has been undertaken on this change. The Chair took an action to confirm how DCUSA deals with potential cross overs between a CP and a SCR. At a later point in the meeting the Chair confirmed that the DCUSA covers off new change proposals and would act on the Authority request to suspend any in flight change proposals as a consequence of a SCR although it is sensible during working group meetings to discuss any impact the change proposal may have on the SCR.
- 4.4 The Working Group reviewed the draft consultation document which had been circulated prior to the meeting. The draft consultation document that was amended during the meeting acts as Attachment 1. The following actions were captured during the review of the draft consultation document:

ACTION 17/01: ElectraLink amend numbering in consultation document, specifically within section 4.

ACTION 17/02: ElectraLink to investigate the previous decision to exclude UMS from the calculations of customer contributions to confirm how the Working Group came to the decision.

ACTION 17/03: Andrew Enzor to update customer contributions calculation template, and RFI template for population by DNO Working Group members.

ACTION 17/04: DNO Working Group members to populate the updated customer contributions calculation template, and RFI template and return to AE, RF and ElectraLink by 25 August 2017.

ACTION 17/05: Andrew Enzor to collate the results from the populated customer contributions calculation template, and RFI template and rerun a new impact assessment by 01 September 2017.

ACTION 17/06: ElectraLink to amend the consultation document as agreed during the meeting and include the latest Impact Assessment outcome/table and circulate to the Working Group by 04 September 2017.

- 4.5 The Chair requested for the Group to clarify why generation, IDNO, unmetered supplies and ICPs have been excluded from the calculation. On IDNO/ICP data it was noted that data does exist but the Working Group believe it is not sufficient and thus would be understating the figures which would

lead to the data being skewed. It was agreed to exclude generation due to the contributions themselves being only applied to demand customers.

- 4.6 The Group discussed the need for a secondary impact assessment to be completed due to an issue around the lack of data coming through for one of voltage levels in the original impact assessment. The discussion centred around the amounts of sole HV connections jobs and the amount of LV connection jobs requiring HV work. The Group also discussed how best to determine what percentage split should be used for the LVS customer contributions values. The Group considered five options which are detailed below:

- HV into SUB column
- LV into SUB column
- Direct Average between HV & LV into SUB column
- Apportionment split between three voltage levels
- One value across all three classes

- 4.7 The Working Group agreed to proceed with the apportionment split between the three voltage levels option as agreed this would be most reflective.

5. DCP 243 Draft Legal Text

- 5.1 The Working Group noted that the draft legal text that had been circulated includes the changes for both DCP 243 and DCP 283 as the changes to the legal text for both changes impact the same paragraphs of legal text. The Group agreed that they are happy with this approach.

6. Work Plan

- 6.1 The Working Group agreed that the Secretariat should amend the Work Plan and circulate prior to the next meeting. The updated Work Plan is set out in Attachment 2.

ACTION 17/07: ElectraLink to update DCP 243 Work Plan and circulate with meeting minutes.

7. Agenda Items for the next meeting

- 7.1 The Working Group agreed that the agenda for the next meeting should include a final review of draft consultation document.

8. Any Other Business

- 8.1 There were no items of any other business discussed.

9. Date of Next Meeting: 07 September 2017

- 9.1 The Working Group agreed to have the next meeting on 07 September 2017.

Attachments

Attachment 1 – DCP 243 Draft Consultation Four

Attachment 2 – DCP 243 Work Plan

New and open actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
15/03	Follow up with ENWL to confirm what competitive impacts are being described in their response to question 5 of the third consultation.	ElectraLink	Ongoing
17/01	Amend numbering in consultation document, specifically within section 4.	ElectraLink	
17/02	investigate the previous decision to exclude UMS from the calculations of customer contributions to confirm how the Working Group came to the decision	ElectraLink	
17/03	Update customer contributions calculation template, and RFI template for population by DNO Working Group members.	Andrew Enzor	
17/04	Populate the updated customer contributions calculation template, and RFI template and return to AE, RF and ElectraLink by 25 August 2017.	DNO Working Group members	
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17/06	Amend the consultation document as agreed during the meeting and include the latest Impact Assessment outcome/table and circulate to the Working Group by 04 September 2017.	ElectraLink	
17/07	Update DCP 243 Work Plan and circulate with meeting minutes.	ElectraLink	

Closed actions

16/01	Include paragraph around why the Working Group are excluding some items from the calculation of Customer Contributions	Andrew Enzor	Completed
16/02	Update the consultation document based on comments at the meeting and circulate to the Working Group.	ElectraLink	Completed
16/03	Complete Impact Assessment by 26 May 2017 and issue to ElectraLink to circulate to the Working Group.	Robert Fairbairn	Completed
16/04	Draft the wording around the interaction between DCP 243 and DCP 283 for inclusion into the consultation document.	Andrew Enzor	Completed
16/05	Update the DCP 243 Work Plan and circulate with meeting minutes.	ElectraLink	Completed