

# DCP 234 Working Group Minutes

<b>Meeting Name</b>	DCP 234 Working Group
<b>Meeting Number</b>	01
<b>Date</b>	21 April 2015
<b>Time</b>	10:00
<b>Venue</b>	Teleconference

Attendee	Company
Claire Campbell [CC] (Chair)	SP Energy Networks
Andrew Enzor [AE]	Northern Powergrid
Andy Pace [AP]	ENWL
Beth Hanna [BH]	Ofgem
Chris Ong [CO]	UK Power Networks
Sarah Marsden [SM]	Northern Powergrid
Michael Walls [MW] (Secretariat)	ElectraLink

## 1 ADMINISTRATION

- 1.1 There was an apology received from Lili Zhou (SSE Distribution).

## 2 CHAIR OF THE WORKING GROUP

CC volunteered to be Chair of the Working Group.

## 3 COMPETITION LAWS DO'S AND DON'TS

- 3.1 The Working Group reviewed the "Competition Law Dos and Don'ts". All Working Group members agreed to the terms set out in the document.

## 4 REVIEW OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 4.1 The Working Group reviewed the Terms of Reference for the Working Group and agreed to be bound by these during the course of the Working Group and its associated development of the CP.

## 5 BACKGROUND AND INTENT OF DCP 234

- 5.1 DCP 234 was raised by ENWL and the intent of the CP is to replace the Price Control Disaggregation Model (PCDM) and extended PCDM with one model.
- 5.2 AP explained that this CP would also create a new schedule in DCUSA which contains the legal text that relates to IDNO charging that is currently contained in Schedules 16, 17 and 18.
- 5.3 AP further noted that currently DNOs need to update 2 models to calculate the discounts that are applied to LDNO tariffs. The models are very similar and contain the same inputs, so it would be more efficient to replace the two models with one. The methodology that determines the discounts is contained in 3 separate places within DCUSA and there is a large amount of duplication. It is proposed to extract all the legal text that relates to LDNOs and place them into a new schedule. This will simplify the governance process and make it easier for stakeholders to bring forward changes.

- 5.4 CC highlighted the point that this CP is about combining the two models, and that there will not be any impact upon prices.
- 5.5 AP explained that in his view the DCUSA modelling consultant is needed in order to combine the two models. The members of the Working Group agreed with this, and that it should also be asked of the Panel that consultant completes the legal text for this CP. The reason for this is that the consultant drafted the legal text for the PCDMs and that by removing it and placing it in a new schedule, it would ensure that nothing had been missed out or inadvertently removed. AP took the action to draft the request to the DCUSA Panel and send it to ElectraLink for progression.

**Action 01/01: Andy Pace**

## **6 WORK PLAN**

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- 6.1 The DCP 234 Working Group agreed that the work plan and next steps for DCP 234 as follows:
- ElectraLink to send a template for the consultancy support request to AP
  - AP to draft the consultancy support letter and return this to ElectraLink
  - ElectraLink to send this to DCUSA contract manager for approval
  - Upon receiving approval, this will be issued to the DCUSA modelling consultant for progression
  - Once a timeline is received from the DCUSA modelling consultant on how long the work will take, ElectraLink will schedule a meeting for the Working Group to review the model and associated legal text
  - ElectraLink to draft a consultation for the next meeting

## **7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

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- 7.1 There were no items of any other business.

## **8 NEXT MEETING**

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- 8.1 The next meeting will be scheduled once a timeline is received from the DCUSA modelling consultant.

**APPENDIX A: SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**

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**NEW AND OPEN ACTIONS**

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
01/01	AP to draft the consultancy support request for the DCUSA Panel	AP	
01/02	ElectraLink to progress the CP according to the agreed work plan and associated actions	ElectraLink	