

# DCP 222 Working Group Minutes

<b>Meeting Name</b>	DCP 222 Working Group Meeting
<b>Meeting Number</b>	11
<b>Date</b>	03 May 2016
<b>Time</b>	10:00
<b>Venue</b>	Web-Conference

Attendee	Company
Dave Wornell [DW] (Chair)	Western Power Distribution
Chris Ong [CO]	UK Power Networks
Emma Clark [EC]	SSEPD
Karl Maryon [KM]	Haven Power
Donald Smith (DS)	Ofgem
Fungai Madzivadondo [FM] (Secretariat)	ElectraLink

## 1 ADMINISTRATION

- 1.1 Apologies were received from Pat Wormald (Northern Powergrid) and Simon Yeo (Western Power Distribution).
- 1.2 The Working Group confirmed that they agreed to the terms set out in the "Competition Law Dos and Don'ts".
- 1.3 The group reviewed the open actions and these are shown in Appendix A.

## 2 REVIEW OF CONSULTATION RESPONSES

- 2.1 The Working Group reviewed the responses to the DCP 222 consultation and provided its comments as set out in Attachment 1. The group noted the following points:
  - A respondent pointed out that the report indicates that National Grid have not made it clear to the Working Group what the problem is that is seeking to be resolved. The Working Group noted that the CP was raised as a result of an issue flagged by National Grid in regards to generators potentially being asked to operate outside of the 0.95 power factor limit to assist with this system wide voltage control issue. National Grid have been clear in their communication with the Working Group and have made clear the issue to be resolved by the CP.
  - Another respondent highlighted that it is discriminatory to all import customers who are not able to operate at a lower power factor without incurring excess reactive power charges. The Working Group noted that customers are able to connect if they are able to operate outside 0.95 power factor and that this is not discriminatory to import customers.
  - The Working Group noted that there were mixed responses on Option 1 and Option 3 and considered whether Option 3 was viable or to revert back to Option 1. Some respondents prefer Option 1 as this allows for any generators that have been asked by the DNO to operate outside a 0.95 power factor limit not to receive excess reactive charges. For Option 3 it was highlighted that this would be simpler to implement and bring CDCM generators more in line with EDCM generators.

- A respondent highlighted that with Option 1 it may be difficult to forecast the level of operating outside 0.95 power factor limit. The group noted that operating outside 0.95 will result in a small quantity of reactive power charges and that this will be of a small value.
- The Working Group agreed on the originally proposed Option 1 as the solution to the Change Proposal. It was noted that the Option will insert new tariffs with no reactive power charges being applied to them.
- Attendees discussed whether Option 3 could be put forward as an Alternative CP, given that some of the respondents and members of the Working Group were in favour of the solution to remove reactive power charges. It was noted that an Alternative CP would need to be raised and the Change Report updated with information on the Alternative CP. ElectraLink took an action to confirm whether Pat Wormald would like to raise an Alternative CP with Option 3 as the preferred solution.

**ACTION 11/01: ELECTRALINK**

- The Working Group considered whether a change to the CDCM model would be required for the DCP 222 change to be implemented and noted that a change to the model would be needed if Option 3 is to be implemented, however for Option 1 there is no need to request an updated CDCM model.
- It was noted that some members of the Working Group believe that the DCUSA General Objective 1 facilitates Option 1 as it helps with the control of reactive power. However, some of the Working Group members feel that the DCUSA General Objectives do not best facilitate the proposed change.
- The Working Group noted that the consultation responses show diverse responses as to whether the DCUSA Charging Objectives are better facilitated by the CP. It was highlighted that there is a difference of opinion within the Working Group and that this should be noted in the Change Report.

### **3 DCP 222 NEXT STEPS**

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3.1 The Working Group agreed the next steps for the progression of the CP are as follows:

- ElectraLink to confirm with Pat Wormald whether she will be raising an Alternative CP for Option 3.
- ElectraLink to update the DCP 222 Change Report and circulate to the Working Group for review by 12 May 2016.

**ACTION 11/02: ELECTRALINK**

- The Working Group to review and provide comments on the Change Report by 24 May 2016.
- ElectraLink to update and circulate the DCP 222 Change Report for final review (25 May 2016 to 27 May 2016). It was agreed that the DCP 222 Change Report is to be submitted to the DCUSA Panel on 8 June 2016.
- ElectraLink to update the DCP 222 Workplan and circulate to the Working Group for review. It was noted that the Workplan is to be submitted to the May Panel Meeting for the Panel's approval.

**ACTION 11/03: ELECTRALINK**

### **4 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

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4.1 There were no items of any other business.

## **5 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

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5.1 No further DCP 222 Working Group meeting has been scheduled

## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1 – DCP 222 Consultation Three Collated Consultation Responses with WG Comments.

Attachment 2 – DCP 222 Workplan

## APPENDIX A: SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

### NEW AND OPEN ACTIONS

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
08/03	Review and finalise the Change Report. In progress until 24 May 2016	All	
11/01	Confirm whether Pat Wormald would like to raise an Alternative CP with Option 3 as the preferred solution.	ElectraLink	
11/02	Update the DCP 222 Change Report and circulate to the Working Group for review document by 12 May 2016.	ElectraLink	
11/03	Update the DCP 222 Workplan and circulate to the Working Group for review.	ElectraLink	

### ACTIONS AGREED CLOSED AT THE MEETING

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
08/03	Review and finalise the Change Report by 27 November 2015. In progress until 25 January 2016	Working Group Members	Completed
10/01	Draft the consultation document and issue to the Working Group for review.	ElectraLink	Completed
10/02	CO to collate and detail the interaction between 'Export Tariff Net Revenue' and 'Reactive Power Charge Revenue' for all fourteen DNO regions using the 2016/17 CDCM model for each licence area as a	Chris Ong	Completed

	data source, and CO will also request confirmation of these figures from each DNO.		
10/03	Update the DCP 222 Work plan and circulate to the Working Group	ElectraLink	Completed