



DCUSA Consultation

DCP 216 – Amending the EDCM Model Format

PURPOSE

- 1.1 The Distribution Connection and Use of System Agreement (DCUSA) is a multi-party contract between electricity Distributors, electricity Suppliers and large Generators. Parties to the DCUSA can raise Change Proposals (CPs) to amend the Agreement with the consent of other Parties and (where applicable) the Authority.
- 1.2 This document is a consultation issued to all DCUSA Parties, interested third parties, and the Authority in accordance with Clause 11.14 of the DCUSA seeking industry views on DCP 216 '*Amending the EDCM Model Format*'.
- 1.3 Parties are invited to consider the updated EDCM Model set out in Attachment 3 to this document and submit comments using the response form provided as Attachment 1 to DCUSA@electralink.co.uk by **Friday, 14 August 2015**.

2 DCP 216 'AMENDING THE EDCM MODEL FORMAT'

- 2.1 DCP 216 has been raised by Electricity North West to amend the format of the EDCM model to make it easier for stakeholders to understand the calculations within the model.
- 2.2 The existing EDCM model contains a table consisting of 300 rows with 1 row for each type of customer. This table is replicated many times on each of the four sheets resulting in approximately 35,000 rows and posing a difficulty to those wishing to follow through the calculations in the spreadsheet. This CP proposes to move to a matrix format for the calculation sheets, which would enable the calculation to be followed from left to right in an easier to understand manner.

3 WORKING GROUP ASSESSMENT

- 3.1 The DCUSA Panel has established a DCP 216 Working Group which consists of DNO and Ofgem representatives. An open invitation was extended to all DCUSA counterparties to attend this Working Group and this invitation remains open for any interested industry parties.
- 3.2 The Working Group has developed a new formatting for the EDCM model taking in to

consideration the feedback from consultation one respondents. The updated EDCM model and its document act as Attachment 3.

3.3 A respondent to the consultation highlighted that the EDCM model could be further improved by amending the formatting of the “11” input tab so that:

- the data from the CDCM is in a single input table for network data linked to the CDCM (i.e. grouping inputs 1105, 1122, 1131 and 1135);
- there is a separate table for financial information with O&M rate, direct costs, indirect costs, network rates, target revenue and exit charges linked to the CDCM;
- there is an input for the total target revenue and the transmission exit charges, rather than inputting the current ‘target revenue less exit charges’;
- there is a separate table for ‘generation data’ (GP, GL and connected capacity);
- a separate table for days in year and hours in super-red and
- a single input table for NUFs cap and collars (rather than the separate 1133 and 1134 currently in use).

3.4 It was also noted that the previously developed EDCM Models showed the super-red rate in the matrix tab to 2 d.p. and not 3 d.p.

3.5 The Working Group agreed to request that the modelling consultant make the changes shown in 3.3 and 3.4 of this document to the EDCM model. This updated EDCM model is available as attachment 3.

3.6 This CP has been designated as a Part 2 Matter as the proposed change does not impact the methodology or the outputs of the model but the formatting of the model only.

3.7 The Working Group would like to request that all DNO Parties test that the output from calculations in the EDCM model (FCP and LRIC) remain the same and are not impacted by the reformatting of the model.

4 CONSULTATION

4.1 The Working Group is seeking views on the below questions:

1. Do you consider that the formatting in this amended EDCM model is beneficial?
2. DNO Parties: Please confirm whether there is any change to the outputs obtained from the reformatted LRIC and FCP EDCM models?

4.2 Responses should be submitted using Attachment 1 to DCUSA@electralink.co.uk no later than **Friday, 14 August 2015**.

4.3 Responses, or any part thereof, can be provided in confidence. Parties are asked to clearly indicate any parts of a response that are to be treated confidentially.

5 NEXT STEPS

5.1 Responses to the Consultation will be reviewed by the DCP 216 Working Group. The Working Group will then determine the progression route for the CP.

5.2 If you have any questions about this paper or the DCUSA Change Process please contact the DCUSA Helpdesk by email to DCUSA@electralink.co.uk or telephone 020 7432 3017.

6 ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – DCP 216 Response form

Attachment 2 – DCP 216 Change Proposal

Attachment 3 – Proposed EDCM Models and Supporting Documentation