

DCP 205 Working Group Minutes

Meeting Name	DCP 205 Working Group
Meeting Number	05
Date	17 October 2014
Time	10:00
Venue	Web-Conference

Attendee	Company
Cathy Falconer [CF] (Chair)	SSE Power Distribution
Brian Hoy [BH]	ENWL
Jason Raymond [JR] (part-meeting)	Premier Energy
Neil Copeland [NC]	Ofgem
Neil Magrath [NM]	UK Power Networks
Paul B Smith [PS]	Western Power Distribution
Peter Turner [PT] (Chair)	Northern Powergrid
Neil Copeland [NC]	Ofgem
Claire Hynes [CH] (Secretariat)	ElectraLink

1 ADMINISTRATION

- 1.1 Claire Campbell (Scottish Power) resigned from the Working Group. Apologies were received from Paul McGimpsey (Scottish Power) for this meeting.
- 1.2 The minutes of the last meeting were approved without amendment.
- 1.3 The group reviewed the open actions. Updates on all actions are set out in Appendix A.

2 COMPETITION LAWS DO'S AND DON'TS

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

3 REVIEW OF THE DCP 205 DRAFT LEGAL TEXT FOR OPTIONS C AND D

- 3.1 Following the review of the responses to DCP 205 consultation one, the Working Group had agreed to progress Option (c) and Option(d). The Working Group reviewed the draft legal text for both Options which act as Attachment 1 and 2.
- 3.2 The Working Group noted that the legal drafting was situated under the title 'Costs to be paid in full by us' in Schedule 22 which is positioned above Clause 1.32. The Working Group suggested that as the drafting is defining the exceptions to costs to be paid by DNOs, it may be better facilitated under the headings 'Costs to be paid in full by us' situated above Clause 1.10 and the 'Costs to be apportioned between you and us' situated above Clause 1.16.
- 3.3 The Working Group agreed to rephrase the wording. The sentence at proposed Clause 1.32 was retained and the wording "in circumstances where we (the DNO) will fund apportion see Clause -.—(1.10) and where we will not fund apportion see Clause-.—(1.16) (a) and (b)" was requested to be added. CF agreed to update the both draft legal text Options.

ACTION 05/01: CF

3.4 One member raised the question whether there is any standard household electrical equipment such as a vacuum cleaner which may fall outside of the British Standards and as a result inadvertently undermine the policy.

3.5 Members considered that the idea under RIIO-ED1 was to allow customers to install equipment that did not cause harmonics and fluctuations in the network. The cost of reinforcing the network would be covered by the DNO and claimed back through DUoS. One member advised that she considered that the British Standards covered equipment that did not cause harmonics and fluctuations in the network and had sought advice internally on the subject. The Working Group agreed to undertake the following actions by close of business on the 24 October 2014:

- to check that each of their Companies agreed that the British Standards identified covered equipment that did not cause harmonics and fluctuations in the network and the citing of the British Standards in the Option (c) legal drafting; and
- to propose alternate standards if they were unsatisfied with the British Standards.

The Chair of the Working Group agreed to provide members with a list of questions to provide internally so that each Working Group member would be asking a common set of questions in their organisations providing a structured picture for the progression of the CP.

ACTION 05/02: CF & ALL

3.6 NC requested for the Working Group to consider how this change can be communicated to customers. Members noted that when buying standard electrical equipment that very few people would check the legislation behind it. Members noted that the British Standards symbol or Kite mark were readily displayed on the box of most equipment sold. The Working Group agreed to contact the Citizens Advice Bureau and the National Inspection Council and request that they respond to consultation two which will ask respondents to consider how to best notify customers of the standards applicable to electrical equipment that if purchased and installed the DNOs will not charge the customer for if the network is required to be reinforced with reference to the exceptions to this rule.

ACTION 05/03 ELECTRALINK

3.7 The Working Group agreed for the original Change Proposal to support the submission of Option (c) to Ofgem for decision and for an alternate DCP 205A CP to be raised to support the submission of Option (d) to Ofgem for decision.

ACTION 05/04: CF

3.8 The Working Group agreed to draft consultation two to allow Parties to comment on the proposed legal text for Option (c) and Option (d). The following questions were agreed to be inserted in the consultation document:

- Do you have any comments on the proposed Option (c) draft legal text?
- Do you have any comments on the proposed Option (d) draft legal text?
- Do you have a preference for the Option (c) draft legal text or the Option (d) draft legal text? Please provide your reasoning.
- Are there any unforeseen impacts from either change which the Working Group should take in to account?

- Are there any other additional standards that should be included where the equipment does not comply with the British Standards set out in Option (c) and would be reasonable for it to be considered to comply or should not be funded by DUoS customers but are set out under the British Standards identified in the draft legal text?
- How would customers be best notified of the standards applicable (under Option (c)) to electrical equipment that if purchased and installed the DNOs will not charge the customer for if the network is required to be reinforced?
- Are there any alternative solutions or matters that should be considered by the Working Group?

ACTION 05/05: ELECTRALINK**4 NEXT STEPS**

4.1 The DCP 205 Working Group agreed that the next steps were as follows:

- The Working Group will review the application of the British Standards in the context of the proposed legal text Option (c) at their own organisation and provide feedback by close of business on the 24 October 2014.
- The Chair will revise the draft legal text for both Options in accordance with comments provided by the Working Group.
- An alternate CP will be drafted to support Option (d) draft legal text and submitted to the DCUSA secretariat.
- ElectraLink will draft a skeleton consultation two and incorporate the questions identified. The Working Group will review the consultation for a period of one week before issuing to Parties and the Citizens Advice Bureau and the National Inspection Council for a period of 2-3 weeks.
- The next DCP 205 Working Group meeting will occur to review the DCP 205 consultation responses and consider a final report for submission to the DCUSA Panel in December or January.

5 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 There were no items of any other business.

6 NEXT MEETING

6.1 The next DCP 205 Working Group meeting will be scheduled following the closure of DCP 205 Consultation two to review the responses.

7 ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1 - DCP 205 Draft Legal Text Option (c)
- Attachment 1 - DCP 205 Draft Legal Text Option (d)

APPENDIX A: SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**NEW AND OPEN ACTIONS**

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
05/01	Update the both draft legal text for Option (c) and Option (d) based on the Working Group comments.	ElectraLink	
05/02	<p>Provide a common set of question for Working Group members to check and provide feedback on the following actions by close of business on the 24 October 2014:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> to check that each of their Companies agreed that the British Standards identified covered equipment that did not cause harmonics and fluctuations in the network and the citing of the British Standards in the Option (c) legal drafting; and to propose alternate standards if they were unsatisfied with the British Standards. 	Cathy Falconer and All Working Group members	
05/03	Contact the Citizens Advice Bureau and the National Inspection Council and request a contact e-mail address for their participation in DCP 205 consultation two.	ElectraLink	
05/04	Draft and submit an alternate DCP 205A CP to support Option (d) to the DCUSA secretariat	Cathy Falconer	
05/05	Draft a skeleton DCP 205 consultation two and insert the questions identified by the Working Group.	ElectraLink	

ACTIONS AGREED CLOSED AT THE MEETING

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
04/01	PS to circulate a list of equipment for option (c)	PS	Completed.
04/02	CF to draft the wording for option (c) and circulate to the group	CF	Completed.