

DCP 204 Working Group Minutes

Meeting Name	DCP 204 Working Group Meeting
Meeting Number	17
Date	22 October 2015
Time	10:00
Venue	Web-conference

Attendee	Company
David Brogden [DB] (Chair)	SSEPD
Chris Allanson [CA]	Northern Powergrid
David Boyer [DBo]	UKPN
John Lawton [JL]	ENWL
Kevin Woollard [KW]	British Gas
Paul Saker [PS]	EDF Energy
Rory McCarthy [RM]	Ofgem
Kerren Kelly [KK]	Npower
Helen Fosberry [HF]	E.on
Rosalind Timperley [RT] (Secretariat)	ElectraLink Limited

Apologies	Company
Andrew Monks [AM]	SSE
Emsile Law [EL]	SSE
Dominique Tilquin [DT]	SSEPD
Peter Morgan	DECC
Maria Hesketh	Scottish Power
Graham Brewster	WPD

1 ADMINISTRATION

- 1.1 All attendees agreed to the terms set out in the “Competition Law Do’s and Don’ts” document.
- 1.2 The Working Group approved the minutes for Meeting 15 and Meeting 16 with no amendments.
- 1.3 The Working Group reviewed the actions log. Updates on all actions are provided in Appendix 1.

2 REVIEW OF CONSULTATION RESPONSES

- 2.1 The Working Group walked through the responses to the DCP 204 consultation. The responses received, along with the Working Group’s comments, are provided as Attachment 1.
- 2.2 While walking through the responses the following actions were taken:
 - Ask WPD to prepare suggested legal text that addresses the concerns that they have raised in their consultation response.

Action 17/01: ElectraLink

- Working Group members to confirm whether they would be comfortable with a 1 September 2016 implementation date.

Action 17/02: All

- Seek clarification from Scottish Power Energy Retail Limited regarding their response to consultation question 5.

Action 17/03: ElectraLink

- Contact National Grid to confirm whether their feedback on setting the randomisation period at 600s relates to all customers or just customers in Load Managed Areas.

Action 17/04: ElectraLink

- Update the Change Report to include the consultation responses and Working Group's comments on these responses. It should also include National Grid's feedback on setting the randomisation period at 600 seconds.

Action 17/05: ElectraLink

- 2.3 The Working Group updated the DCP 204 legal text to address concerns raised by a consultation respondent that Suppliers might receive a high number of Load Managed Area notifications over a short time period. The text was also amended to clarify that the obligations relating to Load Managed Area notices set out in Section 5 of the text would also apply to Security Restriction Notices. The updated legal text is provided as Attachment 2.

3 WORK PLAN

- 3.1 The Working Group reviewed and updated the DCP 204 Work Plan. The latest version of the Work Plan is provided as Attachment 3.

4 NEXT MEETING

- 4.1 The next DCP 204 meeting is scheduled for 9am on Thursday, 19 November 2015 via web-conference.

LIST ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1 – Consultation Responses with Working Group comments
- Attachment 2 – Updated Legal Text
- Attachment 3 – Work Plan

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

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
14/01	DNO Working Group members that operate load managed areas to provide an estimated value for avoided network reinforcement costs for inclusion in the DCP 204 Change Report	DNOs	Ongoing – DB to write to the DNOs with LMAs requesting information.
14/02	Discuss internally the costs and benefits of DCP 204 and whether you can quantify them.	All	Ongoing
14/03	Ask National Grid if they are able to identify any benefits that they would receive from the implementation of DCP 204 and assign a financial value to these benefit.	ElectraLink	<p>Ongoing - National Grid have provided the following initial response. They have been asked to provide additional detail on the benefits:</p> <p>As DCP 204 is essentially replicating existing functionality in the new technologies, it is not clear to say that National Grid are benefiting but rather more accurate to say that potentially new risks and costs are being mitigated against in advance.</p> <p>The value of these costs can be seen as any potential fine from Ofgem in breaching the code and costs of services to deal with spikes in demand. However, I would rather that the benefit is seen as a mitigation of potential risks of cut-offs to supply which should be what Ofgem is really worried about. Perhaps we could give Ofgem some of the examples of load amounts that could be tripped from a single switch and we can convert that into # of houses?</p>

			<p>7/09/15: Electralink to chase up response and ask if National Grid could make a statement that the 600 seconds is appropriate, as Ofgem have asked for justification that this value is appropriate.</p> <p>22/10/2015: National Grid has been sent an email regarding the 600 seconds in accordance with action 17/04.</p>
17/01	Ask WPD to prepare suggested legal text that addresses the concerns that they have raised in their consultation response.	ElectraLink	
17/02	Working Group members to confirm whether they would be comfortable with a 1 September 2016 implementation date.	All	
17/03	Seek clarification from Scottish Power Energy Retail Limited regarding their response to consultation question 5.	ElectraLink	
17/04	Contact National Grid to confirm if their whether their feedback on setting the randomisation period at 600s relates to all customers or just customers in Load Managed Areas.	ElectraLink	
17/05	Update the Change Report to include the consultation responses and Working Group's comments on these responses. It should also include National Grid's feedback on setting the	ElectraLink	

	randomisation period at 600 second.		
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