



DCUSA Change Report

DCP 197 - PCDM Model version post DCP 118

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 This document is issued in accordance with Clause 11.20 of the DCUSA and details DCP 197 'PCDM Model version post DCP 118'.
- 1.2 The voting process for the proposed variation and the timetable of the progression of the Change Proposal (CP) through the DCUSA Change Control Process is set out in this document.
- 1.3 Parties are invited to consider the proposed amendments attached as Attachment B and submit votes using the form attached as Attachment C to dcusa@electralink.co.uk by **12 February 2014**.

2 BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF DCP 197 - PCDM MODEL VERSION POST DCP 118

- 2.1 DCP 197 was raised by UKPN and the Proposer explains that the intent of the CP is to update the version numbering of the Price Control Disaggregation Model (PCDM) as a consequence of DCP 118¹.
- 2.2 It is further explained that DCP 118 has caused amendments to be needed to the PCDM. This updated model has been published as a pre-release by DCUSA.
- 2.3 However, DCP 118 did not propose any changes to the opening clauses of Schedule 16 that reference the version numbers of models. This is because DCP 129² had not been approved at the time DCP 118 was submitted for voting.

3 PROPOSED LEGAL DRAFTING

- 3.1 The draft legal text for DCP 197 has been reviewed by Wragge & Co and is attached as Attachment B.

4 ASSESSMENT AGAINST THE DCUSA OBJECTIVES

- 4.1 DCP 197 has been assessed against the DCUSA Objectives:

- General Objective 3³ – Better Facilitated.

¹ Allocation of EHV Costs in the CDCM Price Disaggregation Model

² Bringing the CDCM Price Control Disaggregation (Method M) under the DCUSA Open Governance Framework

³ The efficient discharge by each of the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of the obligations imposed upon them by their Distribution Licences.

- Charging Objective 1⁴ – Better Facilitated.

4.2 The Proposer explains that DCP 197 will provide clarity as to how the Distributors will comply with their Licenses, and therefore better facilitating DCUSA General Objective 3 and DCUSA Charging Objective 1.

5 IMPLEMENTATION

5.1 DCP 197 is classified as a Part 2 matter, and will therefore not require Authority consent.

5.2 Although Charging Methodologies CPs would usually be considered a Part 1 Matter within the DCUSA, under certain circumstances where a change only amounts to a housekeeping amendment, it may be treated as a Part 2 Matter. The Panel noted that DCP 170⁵ sets out criteria explaining when a Change Proposal may be classified in this manner. It is also noted that Ofgem had informed the Panel that the Authority saw this decision as being within the scope of self-governance arrangements as set out in DCP 170.

5.3 The proposed implementation date is 1 April 2014.

6 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

6.1 The DCUSA Panel did not identify any material impact on greenhouse gas emissions which would result from the implementation of DCP 197.

7 PANEL RECOMMENDATION

7.1 The DCUSA Panel approved the DCP 197 Change Report at its meeting on 15 January 2014.

7.2 The timetable for the progression of the Change Proposal is set out below:

Activity	Target Date
Change Report Issued for Voting	29 January 2014
Party Voting Closes	12 February 2014
Change Declaration Issued	14 February 2014
Implementation	1 April 2014

⁴ that compliance by each DNO Party with the Charging Methodologies facilitates the discharge by the DNO Party of the obligations imposed on it under the Act and by its Distribution Licence

⁵ Code Governance Review Phase 2 Changes

7.3 Parties are invited to vote using the Form attached as Attachment C.

8 ATTACHMENTS:

- Attachment A – DCP 197 'PCDM Model version post DCP 118'
- Attachment B – DCP 197 Proposed Legal Drafting
- Attachment C – DCP 197 Voting Form