

DCUSA Change Proposal Form

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PART A - MANDATORY FOR ALL CHANGE PROPOSALS

Document Control	
CP Status	Standard
CP Number	DCP 190 (A)
Date of submission	19 th November 2013
Attachments	No
Originator Details	
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Change Proposal Details	
CP Title	Credit for equipment recovery associated with temporary connections
Impacted parties	DNOs
Impacted Clause(s)	Schedule 22
Part 1 / Part 2 Matter	Part 1
Related Change Proposals	
Change Proposal Intent	
<p>To amend the Common Connection Charging Methodology (CCCM) such that customers may receive a credit for the value of any equipment recovered by us, that we can subsequently reuse, as a result of the disconnection of a temporary connection.</p>	
Business Justification and Market Benefits	
<p>The ENA Commercial Operations Group has a connections sub group (COG CSG) which meets to consider improvements to connection charge methodology and associated matters. A member of this group has identified that some DNOs provide a refund to customers for plant and equipment that is recovered when a temporary is no longer required. This generally relates only to switchgear and transformers that can be reused and any refund may take account of depreciation and maintenance required to allow the equipment to be reused on the network.</p> <p>The current drafting of the CCCM could be improved to make this clearer.</p> <p>The intention of this proposal is to amend the relevant sections of the "<i>Statement of Methodology and Charges for Connection</i>".</p>	
Proposed Solution and Draft Legal Text	
<p>The difference between DCP 190 and this alternate (DCP190(A))relates to the replacement of a single word substituting "will" for "may" thereby removing any doubt or inconsistency in the application of the clause.</p>	
<p>It is proposed to provide the required clarity by including additional wording into DCUSA Schedule 22,</p>	

paragraph 1.33 as indicated in red below.

Current CCCM Drafting

Recovered Equipment and Deferment of Asset Replacement

1.33 *You will not receive any credit for the value of any equipment recovered by us as a result of the connection.*

Proposed CCCM Drafting

Recovered Equipment and Deferment of Asset Replacement

1.33 *Normally you will not receive any credit for the value of any equipment recovered by us as a result of the connection. Where a Temporary Connection is to be Disconnected we **will** make a payment based on the value of any equipment recovered that we can subsequently reuse, net of any removal and refurbishment costs.*

Proposed Implementation Date

Next DCUSA release following Authority consent.

Impact on Other Codes

Please tick the relevant boxes and provide any supporting information.

- BSC
- CUSC
- Grid Code
- MRA
- Other
- None

If other please specify

Consideration of Wider Industry Impacts

None identified by the Proposer

Environmental Impact

None identified by the Proposer

Confidentiality

None identified by the Proposer

PART B – MANDATORY FOR NON CHARGING METHODOLOGIES CHANGE PROPOSALS

DCUSA Objectives

General Objectives:

Please tick the relevant boxes.

- 1 The development, maintenance and operation by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of efficient, co-ordinated, and economical Distribution Networks
- 2 The facilitation of effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity and (so far as is consistent therewith) the promotion of such competition in the sale, distribution and purchase of electricity
- 3 The efficient discharge by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of obligations imposed upon them in their Distribution Licences
- 4 The promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of this Agreement
- 5 Compliance with the Regulation on Cross-Border Exchange in Electricity and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.

Rationale for better facilitation of the DCUSA Objectives identified above

PART C – MANDATORY FOR CHARGING METHODOLOGIES PROPOSALS

DCUSA Charging Objectives

Please tick the relevant boxes.

Charging Objectives:

- 1 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
- 2 that compliance by each DNO Party with the Charging Methodologies facilitates competition in the generation and supply of electricity and will not restrict, distort, or prevent competition in the transmission or distribution of electricity or in participation in the operation of an Interconnector (as defined in the Distribution Licences)
- 3 that compliance by each DNO Party with the Charging Methodologies results in charges which, so far as is reasonably practicable after taking account of implementation costs, reflect the costs incurred, or reasonably expected to be incurred, by the DNO Party in its Distribution Business
- 4 that, so far as is consistent with Clauses 3.2.1 to 3.2.3, the Charging Methodologies, so far as is reasonably practicable, properly take account of developments in each DNO Party's Distribution Business
- 5 that compliance by each DNO Party with the Charging Methodologies facilitates compliance with the Regulation on Cross-Border Exchange in Electricity and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.

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Rationale for better facilitation of the DCUSA Objectives identified above

CDCM Objectives:

1 - 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

Improved clarity within the common connection charging methodology will help ensure more consistent application of relevant licence conditions (SLC13, SLC14).

.....Reflect the costs incurred.....

General Objectives:

1 - The development, maintenance and operation by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of efficient, co-ordinated, and economical Distribution Networks

The common connection charging methodology supports the section 9 obligation in providing appropriate economical signals for consistent application.

Has this issue been discussed at any other industry forums? If so please specify and provide supporting documentation

This proposal has been discussed at the Connections COG (Commercial Operations Group).

PART D – GUIDANCE NOTES FOR COMPLETING THE FORM

Data Field	Guidance
Attachments	Append any proposed legal text or supporting documentation in order to better support / explain the CP.
Change Proposal Intent	Outline the issue the CP is seeking to address. Please note that the intent of the CP cannot be altered once submitted.
Confidentiality	Clearly indicate if any parts of this Change Proposal Form are to remain confidential to DCUSA Panel (and any subsequent DCUSA Working Group) and Ofgem
CP Status	A CP may be deemed 'urgent' in accordance with Clause 10.4.8 of the DCUSA. The proposer should give supporting reasons.
DCUSA General Objectives	Indicate which of the DCUSA Objectives will be better facilitated by

	the Change Proposal.
DCUSA Charging Objectives	Indicate which of the DCUSA Charging Objectives will be better facilitated by the Change Proposal. Please note that a CDCM or EDCM change may also facilitate the DCUSA General objectives.
Draft Legal Text	Insert proposed legal drafting (change marked against any existing DCUSA drafting). The Change Proposal Intent will take precedence in the event of any inconsistency.
Environmental Impact	Indicate whether it is likely that there would be a material impact on greenhouse gas emissions as a result of the proposed variation being made. Please see Ofgem Guidance .
Impact of Wider Industry Change	Indicate whether this Change Proposal will be impacted by or have an impact upon wider industry developments. If an impact is identified, explain why the benefit of the Change Proposal may outweigh the potential impact and indicate the likely duration of the Change.
Part 1 / Part 2 Matter	A CP must be categorised as a Part 1 or Part 2 matter in accordance with Clause 10.4.7 of the DCUSA. All Part 1 matters require Authority Consent.
Proposed Implementation Date	The Change can be implemented in February, June, and November of each year.
Proposed Solution	Outline the proposed solution for addressing the stated intent of the CP. The Change Proposal Intent will take precedence in the event of any inconsistency. A DCUSA Working Group may develop alternative solutions.
Rationale for DCUSA Objectives	Provide supporting reasons and information (including any initial analysis that supports your views) to demonstrate why the CP will better facilitate each of the DCUSA Objectives identified.
Related Change Proposals	Indicate if the CP is related to or impacts any CP already in the DCUSA or other industry change process.