



DCUSA Change Report

DCP 186 - SEC Consequential Changes

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 This document is issued in accordance with Clause 11.20 of the DCUSA and details DCP 186 'SEC Consequential Changes'.
- 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 **4 October 2013**.

2 BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF DCP 186 - SEC CONSEQUENTIAL CHANGES

- 2.1 DCP 186 seeks to update the DCUSA to make reference to, and in light of, the new Smart Energy Code.
- 2.2 The Proposer explains that the new Smart Energy Code (SEC) introduces a new opportunity to facilitate cross code sharing of information and requires that Parties who should be a party to the Code are so before any obligations become due to them.
- 2.3 The DCUSA Smart Working Issues Group (SWIG) identified a number of consequential changes arising from the introduction of the SEC. DCP 186 brings forward some of these changes into the DCUSA and will put the SEC on a similar footing to other industry codes where there are likely to be interactions with DCUSA obligations.

3 PROPOSED LEGAL DRAFTING

- 3.1 The draft legal text for DCP 186 has been reviewed by Wragge & Co and is attached as Attachment B.

4 ASSESSMENT AGAINST THE DCUSA OBJECTIVES

- 4.1 DCP 186 has been assessed against the DCUSA Objectives:
 - Objective 1¹ – No Impact.
 - Objective 2² – No Impact.

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

- Objective 3³ – Better Facilitated.
- Objective 4⁴ – Better Facilitated.
- Objective 5⁵ – No Impact.

4.2 The Proposer of DCP 186 explains that this CP will better enable cross code working and sharing. As well as helping to facilitate compliance with the Code Administrators Code Of Practice. This will better facilitate DCUSA Objective 3 by supporting the efficient discharge by Distributors of the obligations imposed upon them by their Distribution Licences. It will also better facilitate DCUSA Objective 4 by improving efficiency in the implementation and administration of this Agreement and the arrangements under it.

5 IMPLEMENTATION

5.1 This CP is classified as a Part 2 matter in accordance with Clause 9.6 of the DCUSA. Therefore, the CP will not require Authority approval and will be subject only to the Party vote.

5.2 The proposed implementation date for DCP 186, if approved, is the first DCUSA release following approval.

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 186.

7 PANEL RECOMMENDATION

7.1 The DCUSA Panel approved the DCP 186 Change Report at its meeting on 18 September 2013.

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

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

⁴ The promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of this Agreement and the arrangements under it.

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.

Activity	Target Date
Change Report Issued for Voting	20 September 2013
Party Voting Closes	4 October 2013
Change Declaration Issued	8 October 2013
Implementation	First DCUSA Release following Party Acceptance

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

8 APPENDICES:

- Attachment A – DCP 186 'SEC Consequential Changes'
- Attachment B – DCP 186 Proposed Legal Drafting
- Attachment C – DCP 186 Voting Form