

DCP 181 Working Group Minutes

Meeting Name	DCP 181 Working Group
Meeting Number	05
Date	08 July 2015
Time	10:00
Venue	Web-Conference

Attendee	Company
Peter Waymont [PW] (Chair)	UK Power Networks
Deirdre Bell [DB] (teleconference)	Ofgem
Peter Turner [PT]	Northern Powergrid
Claire Hynes [CH] (Secretariat)	ElectraLink

1 ADMINISTRATION

- 1.1 The minutes of the last meeting were agreed without amendment.
- 1.2 The Working Group reviewed the actions from the previous meeting. A summary of new and outstanding actions is attached as Appendix A.
- 1.3 The Working Group agreed to abide by the Competition Laws Do's and Don'ts for the duration of the meeting.
- 1.4 The Working Group agreed to the updated DCP 181 Working Group Terms of Reference (ToRs) timetable.

2 REVIEW OF THE DCP 181 DRAFT LEGAL TEXT

- 2.1 The Working Group reviewed the DCP 181 draft legal text which acts as Attachment 1.
- 2.2 Under Action 04/02 one member sought a view from Wragge & Co. on how constrained by the current legislation the DNO is when providing information to the customer. Under Section 105 of the Utilities Act the Distributor is unable to share the capacity data with a prospective customer but only with the occupier. However, if there was a requirement for the Distributor to share the capacity with the incumbent customer in the licence or in DCUSA then the Distributor would be able to do so. Members noted that it would be difficult for the Distributor to identify whether an enquirer is a legitimate prospective customer or not.
- 2.3 The legal advice received in combination with the feedback from the DCP 181 consultation led the Chair to propose that the legal text be amended so that enduring terms would only be applied to Commercial customers.

3 REVIEW OF THE DCP 181 DRAFT CHANGE REPORT

- 3.1 The Working Group reviewed and amended the DCP 181 draft Change Report which acts as Attachment 2.
- 3.2 Members noted that the issue of customers terms not enduring extended beyond just demand and generation examples but also to premises where a customers connection assets may be sized greater than the upstream capacity of the network is designed for. As a result a new customer may be led to believe from the size of the assets that they have access to greater capacity than stated in the agreed arrangements with the Distributor.

- 3.3 PW agreed to draft a demand and generation example which explained how the distributors network would be impacted by a customer who did not act in accordance with the agreed arrangements with the Distributor for insertion in to the change report. Please see Action 04/05.
- 3.4 The Working Group agreed to add the excel spreadsheet containing the list of companies that the Working Group consulted with as an attachment to the change report.

ACTION 05/01: ELECTRALINK

4 NEXT STEPS

- 4.1 The Working Group agreed the next steps as follows:
- Submit the draft DCP 181 legal text to the DCUSA legal adviser for review;
 - Draft two examples to incorporate in to the DCP 181 draft change report;
 - Circulate the updated change report to the Working Group for final review and comment; and
 - Submit the final change report to the August DCUSA Panel.

ACTION 05/02: ALL

5 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 5.1 There were no items of any other business.

6 NEXT MEETING

- 6.1 No further meetings have been scheduled.

7 ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1 – DCP 181 Draft Legal Text

Attachment 2 – DCP 181 Draft Change Report

APPENDIX A: SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

NEW AND OPEN ACTIONS

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
03/06	Clearly set out the benefits of this change for the customer in the Change Report.	All	On-going.
04/05	Draft some example scenarios to insert into the Change Report showing the implications of this change in practice.	Peter Waymont	On-going.
05/01	Add the excel spreadsheet containing the list of companies that the Working Group consulted on as an attachment to the change report	ElectraLink	
05/02	<p>Complete the following agreed actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submit the draft DCP 181 legal text to the DCUSA legal adviser for review; • Draft two examples to incorporate in to the DCP 181 draft change report; • Circulate the updated change report to the Working Group for final review and comment; and • Submit the final change report to the August DCUSA Panel. 	All	

CLOSED ACTIONS

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
02/04	Raise a change under the MRA to the D055 data flow which flags a change of tenancy to cause the D0302 data flow to subsequently issue notifying of a change in customer details.	Glenn Sheern	Closed.
02/05	Raise a change to the D0302 flow to introduce a mandatory date requirement under the MRA.	Glenn Sheern	Closed.
04/01	Add a table containing the respondents view as to whether the whole agreement, sub-sections of the agreement should endure or the entire agreement should not endure.	ElectraLink	Completed.
04/02	Seek a view from Wragge & Co. on how constrained by the current legislation the DNO is when providing information to the customer.	Peter Waymont	Completed. DCUSA legal advisor view discussed at today's meeting.
04/03	Add a table on whether respondents considered that the enduring connection terms apply to all customers, only Section 3 of the NTC or to no customers to the Change Report.	ElectraLink	Completed.
04/04	Request clarifications from two respondents to the DCP 181 consultation two.	ElectraLink	Completed.
04/06	Invite the other Working Group members who were not in attendance to provide their view and to submit other solutions to the issue raised.	ElectraLink	Completed.
04/07	Draft the DCP 181 Change Report	ElectraLink and Peter Waymont	Completed.