

Minutes

Meeting Name	DCP 173 Working Group
Meeting Number	05
Date	14 May 2014
Time	10:00
Location	ENA

Attendee	Representing
Chris Ong (Chair)	UKPN
Anika Brandt [AB]	SSE Distribution
Rob Garner [RG]	ENWL
Jon Wisdom [JW]	Npower
Julia Haughey [JH]	EDF Energy
Stephen Grant [SG] (Teleconference)	Scottish Power
Martin Chitty [MC]	PCMG
Pat Wormald [PW] (Teleconference)	Northern Powergrid
Michael Walls [MW] (Secretariat)	ElectraLink Limited

1 ADMINISTRATION

- 1.1 Apologies were received from Wendy Mantle (SP Distribution), Kathryn Evans (SP Distribution) and Bethany Hanna (Ofgem).

2 REVIEW OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

- 2.1 The Working Group then reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting, and they were agreed without amendment. The updated actions from the previous and current meeting are attached as Appendix A.

3 COMPETITION LAW

- 3.1 The Working Group then reviewed the “CDCM Competition Law Dos and Don’ts” and all Working Group members agreed to the terms set out in the document.
- 3.2 It was noted to the Working Group members that the guidance is published on the DCUSA website with the meeting papers.

4 REVIEW OF THE CONSULTATION RESPONSES

- 4.1 CO then took the group through the consultation responses received from Industry participants. It was noted that there is some duplication within the responses from those received for the previous consultation, so the intention is that the Working Group will look for the themes and differences within the responses.
- 4.2 The collated responses to the consultation, along with the Working Group's comments are included as Attachment 1.

5 WORK PLAN AND NEXT STEPS

- 5.1 The Working Group then discussed the next steps for the Working Group. It was noted that many of the responses from customers wanted data to demonstrate that Option 2 is feasible.
- 5.2 CO then asked if any DNOs in the Working Group that were present or on the teleconference believed that this CP could proceed with Option 2; if so, how the Working Group could justify it within the Change Report.
- 5.3 The Working Group then agreed that there is a lot of weight behind the customer responses, and there have been more responses to this consultation from customers than any other previous consultation. It was also agreed that if Option 1 were to go forward that there would not be a change required to the DCUSA.
- 5.4 The Working Group agreed that a possible place to put the description of how these charges would be dealt with would be the common LC14 Statements.
- 5.5 PW explained that the LC14 statement will be amended soon, and that this could be taken into account. CO confirmed whether everyone present and on the teleconference was happy with this approach, and it was agreed.
- 5.6 It was decided that an email should be drafted from the Chair of the Working Group to be sent to the wider group as there were some apologies received for final comment. Subsequent to this, the item can be discussed at the DCMF and DCMF MIG for further input, and then the decision will be made on how to proceed – to withdraw DCP 173 or continue on with Option 2 being progressed.

Action: CO

6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 6.1 There were no other items of business raised at the meeting.

7 DATE/LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING

- 7.1 The Working Group agreed that a further meeting will only be necessary if the Working Group decide to continue the CP with Option 2 being progressed.

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

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
05/01	ElectraLink to progress the CP through the Work Plan, and its associated actions, as agreed by the Working Group	ElectraLink	
05/02	CO to draft an email to circulate to the wider DCP 173 Working Group informing them of the decisions taken at the meeting	CO	

ACTIONS AGREED CLOSED AT THE MEETING

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