

DCP 172 Working Group Minutes

Meeting Name	DCP 172 Working Group
Meeting Number	06
Date	21 November 2014
Time	10:00
Venue	Meeting Room 1, ElectraLink Ltd, Ground Floor, Grafton House, 2-3 Golden Square, London, W1F 9HR.

Attendee	Company
Neil Magrath [NM] (Chair)	UK Power Networks
Andrew Scott [AS] (teleconference)	Scottish Power
Angus Rae[AR] (teleconference)	SSE
Arun Pontin [AP] (teleconference)	Ofgem
David Ball [DB]	ENWL
Graham Pannell [GP] (teleconference)	RES LTD
Michael Catling [MC]	Northern Powergrid
Claire Hynes [CH] (Secretariat)	ElectraLink

Apologies	Company
Tim Hughes	Western Power Distribution

1 ADMINISTRATION

- 1.1 The minutes of the last meeting were approved with minor amendments.
- 1.2 The group reviewed the open actions. Updates on all actions are set out in Appendix A.
- 1.3 The Working Group agreed to act in accordance with the Competition Laws Do's and Don'ts for the duration of the meeting.

2 REVIEW OF THE DCP 172 CONSULTATION RESPONSES

- 2.1 The Working Group reviewed the DCP 172 collated consultation responses and provided their comments which acts as Attachment 1 to these minutes.
- 2.2 GP noted that this CP will have a significant impact for generation users and asked the Working Group if they had considered developing a new voltage rise Cost Apportionment Factor (CAF) caused by the addition of generation as another solution to this change. GP requested the group to visualise a basic power flow model where the customer is adding 2% which is being put through a kv control bus. The customer has caused a 2% rise but under regulation a 12% rise is allowed and as a result the connection costs could be apportioned 2/12.
- 2.3 DB noted that the proposed solution is subjective in regards the piece of the network utilised for this calculation. The calculation would become more complicated where a a generator joins closer to the primary substation and it may not be able to be produced nationally.
- 2.4 The Chair noted that the capacity as generated on the network when the maximum voltage allowed has been reached is the denominator of the equation as set out in the consultation.

- 2.5 One member queried why there was no EHV examples included in the DCP 172 proposed solutions. Members noted that the Common Connection Charging Methodology (CCCM) is a high level document which provides general Examples but not for every voltage level. EHV is quite specific and therefore an EHV Example would not cover the majority of scenarios that may arise nationally.
- 2.6 GP advised that Option 1 was allowed under the current methodology and that he did not have a strong preference in regards to Options 1 or 4. GP agreed for the comments submitted by RES LTD to be considered non-confidential.

3 NEXT STEPS

- 3.1 The DCP 172 Working Group agreed that the next steps were as follows:

- GP agreed to consider raising a further solution to this CP and provide his decision to the Working Group by 25 November 2014.

ACTION 06/01: GP

- The Working Group agreed to digest the content of the DCP 172 consultation responses in regards to the various Options before progressing the change.

4 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 4.1 There were no items of any other business.

5 NEXT MEETING

- 5.1 The next DCP 172 Working Group meeting will be organised following the outcome of action 06/01.

ATTACHMENT

- Attachment 1 –DCP 172 Consultation Collated Responses with Working Group Comments

APPENDIX A: SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

NEW AND OPEN ACTIONS

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
06/01	GP agreed to consider raising a further solution to this CP and provide his decision to the Working Group by 25 November 2014.	Graham Pannell	25 November 2014

ACTIONS AGREED CLOSED AT THE MEETING

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
05/01	The chair agreed to review the Working Group comments on the DCP 172 consultation and provide it to the Working Group for agreement.	Neil Magrath	Completed.
05/02	The Working Group agreed to contact Brian Hoy (the chair of the CCMF) to request that the DCP 172 consultation be circulated to the CCMF distribution list.	ElectraLink	Completed.
05/03	Issue the updated consultation to Working Group members for agreement on the 19 September for a period of one week.	Neil Magrath	Completed.
05/04	If significant comments have not been received on the DCP 172 consultation from Working Group members by close of business on the 26 September then the consultation will be issued to industry members on the 29 September for a period of four weeks.	ElectraLink	Completed.

05/05	Add comment (a) provided by Arun Pontin in his e-mail of the 05 June 2014 as an agenda item for the next DCP 172 Working Group meeting.	ElectraLink	Closed.
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