

## DCUSA Change Proposal Form

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### PART A - MANDATORY FOR ALL CHANGE PROPOSALS

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Originator Details	
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Change Proposal Details	
CP Title	Voting arrangements for a Party Category with few members
Impacted parties	DG / DNO / IDNO / OTSO / SUPPLIER
Impacted Clause(s)	Clause 13.6 and 13.7
Part 1 / Part 2 Matter	Part 1
Related Change Proposals	None
Change Proposal Intent	
To avoid a Party Category comprising fewer than 3 members having a blocking vote (in the case of 1 member) or a hung vote (in the case of 2 members).	
Business Justification and Market Benefits	
A Part 2 change could be blocked by a single member Party Category although other Party Category's support it. Similarly a Party Category with 2 members may not get a majority and hence a change would be rejected. These are undesirable and a pragmatic solution to these issues needs to be found.	
Proposed Solution and Draft Legal Text	
See proposed DCUSA change below. The idea is that if a Party Category has few members and their vote is a blocking vote then the CP becomes a Part 1 Matter and Ofgem shall determine the outcome.	
 <b>Part 2 Matters</b>	

13.6 Where a Change Proposal relates to a Part 2 Matter, that proposal shall be accepted where, in respect of each Party Category that was eligible to vote:

13.6.1 the number of Groups in that Party Category which voted to accept the proposal is greater than 65% of the total number of Groups in that Party Category which voted; and

13.6.2 the sum of the Weighted Votes of those Groups in that Party Category which voted to accept the proposal is greater than 65%.

13.7 Subject to Clause 13.7.1, in all other cases a Change Proposal which relates to a Part 2 Matter shall be rejected.

13.7.1 Where a Party Category that was eligible to vote comprises 3 or fewer Groups and either or both of the tests under Clauses 13.6.1 and 13.6.2 are not met for that Party Category, but the tests under Clause 13.6.1 and 13.6.2 are met for all other Party Categories that comprise more than 3 Groups, the Change Proposal shall be deemed to be a Part 1 Matter and the Parties shall be deemed to recommend to the Authority that the proposal should be rejected.

**Proposed Implementation Date**

First release after Ofgem approval.

**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

**Environmental Impact**

None

**Confidentiality**

No

**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

**Rationale for better facilitation of the DCUSA Objectives identified above**

Prevent a single party having a disproportionate influence.