

DCUSA Change Proposal Form

This form should be used by DCUSA Parties who wish raise a draft or formal Change Proposal and for DCUSA members and other interested parties to return their comments on DCUSA Change Proposals which have been circulated for consultation.

Originators - please complete Section A of this form and submit to DCUSA@electralink.co.uk.

Respondents – please complete Section B of this form and return it to DCUSA@electralink.co.uk your response should include your assessment of the solution and comments on the Change Proposal drafting. If you reject the solution then please supply your reason for rejection and an alternative solution. Even if you reject a solution your responses should state whether the proposed implementation date is acceptable to your organisation. If it is not acceptable, please indicate the reasons why and an alternative date.

SECTION A: To be completed by originator

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Change Proposal Details	
CP Title	Amendments to Clause 8 "Cost of the DCUSA" as detailed below <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Definition of costs - recognition of "tax" being an expense2. Amendment to the time period allowed for the calculation of each Party's actual Cost

	Contribution.
DCUSA Parties believed to be impacted	Distributor / Supplier / IDNO
Proposal to Change	Section 1B - Governance Clause 8.1 – Extend definition of Recoverable Costs Clause 8.12 - Amend time period for calculation of a Party's actual Cost Contribution
Summary of Change	These changes are required for the following reasons: Clause 8.1 – At present the DCUSA does not recognise tax as an expense to DCUSA. Clause 8.12 – Extension required to the 20 Working Days requirement to allow for time for actual costs and actual metering point data to be available. This will allow Parties Cost Contributions to be calculated in line with DCUSA requirements. Actual amounts will then be reconciled against amounts paid. This calculation will then form the basis of any rebate or under-recovery amount.
Related CPs	<i>Please indicate if this CP is related to or impacts any other CP already in the DCUSA or other industry Change Process</i>

Proposed Solution

Please insert proposed legal drafting here

8.1 ".....in performing their respective duties, powers and functions under this Agreement (the Recoverable Costs), which may include their general administration costs and expenses, any costs and expenses they incur in holding, or travelling to, meetings, ~~and~~ any costs and expenses of any professional advisors properly retained by them and any tax payable by DCUSA Ltd. Recoverable Costs shall not include any payment to Panel Members, to directors of DCUSA or to those who serve on Working Groups in respect of their time"

8.12 "Within ~~20~~ 40 Working Days following the end of each Financial Year, the Panel shall calculate each Party's actual Cost Contribution in respect of each Quarter of the Financial Year, and shall reconcile the actual amounts against the amounts paid by that Party in accordance with Clause 8.11"

Proposed Implementation Technique

Phased Implementation / Big Bang

Proposed Implementation Date

Please specify and give a reason if proposed date is outside the release schedule

February Release Year: 2008

Other:

DCUSA Objectives

Please state which DCUSA Objective(s) will be better facilitated by this CP

1. The promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of this Agreement.

Amendment to Clause 8.1. Will ensure that DCUSA Ltd recognises any tax paid as an expense. This will ensure that appropriate accounting practices are maintained by DCUSA Limited.

Amendment to Clause 8.12. This amendment will allow sufficient time for actual data to become available i.e. registered MPAN count and actual costs to enable a Party's cost contribution to be calculated and reconciled against amounts already paid. This will ensure that costs are accurately assigned to responsible Parties in accordance with DCUSA requirements.

Business Justification Including Market Benefits

Changes will ensure that DCUSA Ltd meet our Financial and Auditing requirements

Authority Consent

Yes – Part 1