

DCUSA CHANGE REPORT	
CHANGE PROPOSAL	DCP 007 - <i>Change Determination Notices To Distributors</i>
DATE OF ISSUE	17 August 2007
ISSUED TO	DCUSA Contract Managers
PARTIES ENTITLED TO VOTE	All Supplier, DNO and IDNO Parties
RETURN DEADLINE (Voting End Date)	10 September – DCUSA@electralink.co.uk

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 This document is issued in accordance with Clause 11.20 of the DCUSA. The Change Report details DCP 007 - *Change Determination Notices to Distributors*. The voting process for the proposed variation and the timetable of the progression of the CP through the DCUSA Change Control Process is set out in this document.
- 1.2 Parties are invited to consider the proposed amendment attached as Appendix A and submit votes using the form attached as Appendix B to dcusa@electralink.co.uk by 10 September 2007.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 DCP 007 was raised on 04 July 2007 and submitted to the Panel on 18 July 2007. DCP 007 was assessed as a standard (non urgent) CP. The Panel determined that the CP should be entered into the Assessment Phase and requested that the CP be progressed directly through to the Report Process. The CP impacts Part One1 Matters and as such is subject to Authority Consent.
- 2.2 The content of the Change Report was approved by the Panel on 15 August 2007.

3 SUMMARY OF DCP 007

Raising Party	EDF Energy Networks
CP Status	Standard
Change Synopsis	As currently drafted, the DCUSA assumes that Ofgem's determination of a Part 1 Change Proposal will be communicated to the Panel for implementation. The Distribution License obliges Distributors to

	implement determinations of Part 1 Change Proposals which will be communicated in a direction from the Authority to Distributors. Therefore there is a requirement for Distributors to pass on the determination to the Panel/Secretariat as the means by which it can be implemented.
Parties Impacted	Distributors, Suppliers and IDNOs.
Part 1 / Part 2	Part 1
Authority Consent	Required
Proposed Implementation	01 November 2007

4 PROPOSED AMENDMENT AND LEGAL DRAFTING

- 4.1 The Panel discussed the issue highlighted in the CP at its meeting in May 2007 and recommended that a change should be introduced to align the process for issuing determination notices in the DCUSA to that in the licence. The change proposer also sought the views of all Distributor Parties before the CP was submitted and no dissenting comments were received.
- 4.2 The proposed amendment to 13.12 of the DCUSA in support of DCP 007 has been drafted by Wragge and Co as follows:

13.12

Where the Authority, acting in accordance with Clauses 13.9 and 13.10, determines that a Change Proposal shall be accepted or rejected, it shall direct the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties accordingly and that proposal shall be so accepted or rejected for the purposes of this Clause 13. As soon as practicable following receipt of such direction, each DNO Party and IDNO Party shall forward a copy of the determination contained therein to the Panel (care of the Secretariat). The DNO Parties and IDNO Parties agree that the receipt by the Panel of any one such copy shall be an instruction on behalf of all DNO Parties and IDNO Parties to amend the DCUSA in accordance with the determination.

- 4.3 The Panel, having considered the legal text, anticipates that a DNO or IDNO Panel Member will notify the Secretariat of the determination on behalf of all IDNO and DNO Parties.

5 TIMETABLE

- 5.1 In accordance with Clause 12.4 of the DCUSA the Panel has determined a 15 Working Day voting period.
- 5.2 The timetable for the progression of the Change Proposal is set out below:

Date	Activity	Purpose	Responsibility
17 August	Change Report Issued	Change Report issued to all Parties for 15 WD	Secretariat
10 September	Voting End Date	Last date for submission	Parties

		of votes	
11 September	Change Declaration	Outcome of voting published to Parties and Authority	Secretariat
19 October	Authority Determination	Authority to accept / reject CP following recommendation from Parties	Ofgem
01 Nov	DCUSA Release	DCUSA updated to reflect CP drafting (if approved by Authority)	Secretariat

Appendices:

- A. DCP 007 v1.0
- B. DCP 007 - Voting Form