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<b>Meeting Name</b>	DCUSA Panel
<b>Meeting Date</b>	20 June 2007
<b>Paper Title</b>	Initial Assessment Report – DCP004
<b>Purpose of Paper</b>	For Decision
<b>Synopsis</b>	This paper presents a Change Proposal that has been submitted to the DCUSA Secretariat this month and requests agreement on its progression.

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This paper refers one DCUSA Change Proposal (DCP) to the DCUSA Panel for agreement on its progression.
- 1.2 The CP has been assessed by the Secretariat in accordance with Section 10.11 of the DCUSA. The CP has met the requirements and ElectraLink has prepared a recommendation for consideration by the Panel.

## 2 SUMMARY OF CHANGE PROPOSAL FOR CONSIDERATION

- 2.1 DCP 004 'Abstention by entire category' is attached as Appendix A. The following table shows a summary of the CP:

Raising Party	EDF Energy
CP Status	Standard (non urgent)
Change Synopsis	Under the current DCUSA Change Process, the abstention of an entire Party Category entitled to vote on a CP will mean that a CP is rejected.  For a change to be accepted, a hurdle based on a weighting of those Parties that voted must be reached. If that hurdle is not reached, "in all other cases" a change is rejected.  This means that if no-one in a party votes, a change is rejected according to the current drafting.
Parties Impacted	Distributors, Suppliers, IDNOs
Part 1 / Part 2	Part 1
Authority Consent	Required
Proposed Implementation	November 2007

- 2.2 DCP 004 has been assessed as a standard (non urgent) change impacting Part 1 matters (Section 1C – Change Control) that should be entered into the Assessment Phase. It is recommended that the CP should be progressed directly through to the Report Phase.
- 2.3 A proposed timetable is outlined below:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Date</b>
Panel Meeting – IA Report agreed	20 June
Legal Text and Change Report drafted	21 June – 10 July
Panel Meeting – Change Report agreed	18 July
Party Voting	20 July – 10 August
Change Declaration	13 August
Ofgem Determination	13 August – 17 September
Implementation	November Release

### **3 RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 The DCUSA Panel is invited to:

- Accept the referral of DCP 004;
- Agree that the CP should be entered into the Assessment Procedure;
- Agree that the CP should be treated as a Part 1 matter; and
- Agree that the CP should be progressed through the Report Process in accordance with the timetable set out in Section 2.4.

Attachments:

Appendix A – DCP 004 v1.0