

DCP 348 Working Group Meeting 04

26 November 2019 at 15:00

Teleconference

Attendee	Company
Working Group Members	
Becky Cailles [BC]	BUUK
Gwen Macintyre [GM]	SSEN
Mike Doward [MD]	ENWL
Paul Graham [PG]	UK Power Reserve
Peter Turner [PT]	Northern Powergrid
Vanessa Buxton [VB]	Western Power Distribution
Code Administrator	
John Lawton [JL] (Chair)	ElectraLink
Hollie Nicholls [HN] (Technical Secretary)	ElectraLink

Apologies	Company
Donna Townsend	ESPUG

1. Administration

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed the members to the meeting.
- 1.2 The Working Group reviewed the “Competition Law Guidance”. All Working Group members agreed to be bound by the Competition Law Guidance for the duration of the meeting.
- 1.3 The Working Group reviewed the minutes from the last Working Group meeting, held on 30 October 2019, and agreed that these were a true reflection of the discussions held.

2. Purpose of the Meeting

- 2.1 The Chair set out that the purpose of the meeting was to review the DCP 348 legal text received back from the DCUSA Legal Advisors and to finalise the DCP 348 Change Report.

3. Review of DCP 348 Legal Text

- 3.1 The Working Group reviewed the DCP 348 Legal Text document that had been reviewed by the DCUSA Legal Advisors. A copy of the legal text can be found as Attachment 1.
- 3.2 It was noted that the DCUSA Legal Advisors had updated the legal text paragraph 1.32A to include “...either or both at our Premises and further upstream in other parts of the Distribution System.” The Chair questioned whether this was correct. One Working Group member explained that they had obtained feedback from one of their colleagues and confirmed that it was.
- 3.3 The Chair also noted in paragraph 1.32A that the DCUSA Legal Advisors had updated the drafting to state that the illustrative able was included in paragraph 1.32A when it is included in 1.32B. The Working Group agreed that they thought this would be a typo and asked the Secretariat to double check that this was the case with the DCUSA Legal Advisor.
- 3.4 The Working Group confirmed that once the clarification had been obtained, they were happy with the drafting of the legal text changes.

ACTION 04/01: The Secretariat to obtain clarification from the DCUSA Legal Advisors as to whether the error in the paragraph number is a typo.

- 3.5 **Post-meeting note:** The DCUSA Legal Advisors have confirmed that the error in the drafting was a typo. The legal text has been revised and re-submitted to the Secretariat.

4. Review and Finalisation of the DCP 348 Change Report

- 4.1 The Working Group reviewed the DCP 348 Change Report and an updated version can be found as Attachment 2.
- 4.2 The Working Group walked through the Change Report and agreed that they were happy with the changes made prior to the meeting.
- 4.3 The Working Group discussed the Relative Objectives section of the document and put forward each of their views on which of the DCUSA Charging Objectives would be better facilitated by the implementation of DCP 348.
- 4.4 It was agreed that all Working Group members agreed with the Proposer that DCUSA Charging Objectives 1, 2, 3 and 4 were all better facilitated by the change, but they did not agree with the rationale put forward for DCUSA Objective 4 by the Proposer.
- 4.5 The Proposer stated in their Change Proposal form that DCUSA Charging Objective 4 would be better facilitated because the change would ensure that the DNOs charging statements reflect developments in the way that connections are provided. However, the Working Group did not agree because the change is not updating the DNO charging statements.
- 4.6 Working Group members questioned whether they thought that the Proposer was supposed to state that the DNOs “charging methodologies” would reflect the developments rather than the charging statements.
- 4.7 The Proposing company in attendance at the Working Group meeting confirmed that this was the case. Therefore, the Working Group were happy to indicate positive facilitation of DCUSA Charging

Objectives 1, 2, 3 and 4 if the rationale was changed to reflect charging methodologies rather than charging statements.

- 4.8 The Working Group agreed that once these changes had been made, they were comfortable with the drafting of the Change Report and they were happy for the report to be submitted to the DCUSA Panel.

ACTION 04/02: The Secretariat to update the DCP 348 Change Report to reflect the discussions held.

5. Work Plan and Next Steps

- 5.1 The Working Group reviewed the DCP 348 Work Plan and agreed the following next steps for the change:
- The Secretariat to obtain clarification on the legal text drafting error that had been picked up;
 - The Secretariat and the Chair to finalise the Change Report; and
 - The Secretariat to circulate the finalised Change Report and Legal Text to the DCUSA Panel.
- 5.2 An updated version of the Work Plan can be found as Attachment 3.

ACTION 04/03: The Secretariat to submit the finalised DCP 348 Change Report and Legal Text to the DCUSA Panel for discussion at their meeting on 18 December 2019.

6. Any Other Business

- 6.1 There were no further items of AOB, and the Chair closed the meeting.

7. Attachments

- Attachment 1 – Finalised DCP 348 Legal Text
- Attachment 2 – Finalised DCP 348 Change Report
- Attachment 3 – Updated DCP 348 Work Plan

New and Open Actions

Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
04/01	The Secretariat to obtain clarification from the DCUSA Legal Advisors as to whether the error contained within paragraph 1.32A was a typo.	ElectraLink	Post-meeting note: The DCUSA Legal Advisors confirmed that the error was a typo and they resubmitted their reviewed draft to the Secretariat.
04/02	The Secretariat to update the DCP 348 Change Report to reflect the discussions held.	ElectraLink	
04/03	The Secretariat to submit the finalised DCP 348 Change Report and Legal Text to the DCUSA Panel for discussion at their meeting on the 18 December 2019	ElectraLink	

Closed Actions

Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
03/01	The Secretariat to update the DCP 348 Collated Consultation Responses document to reflect the discussions held.	ElectraLink	Action Closed
03/02	The Secretariat to update the DCP 348 draft legal text to reflect the discussions held.	ElectraLink	Action Closed
03/03	The Secretariat to update the DCP 348 draft Change Report to reflect the discussions held.	ElectraLink	Action Closed
03/04	The Secretariat to circulate a table which showcases the Proposer and consultation respondents' views on the DCUSA Objectives for Working Group consideration.	ElectraLink	Action Closed
03/05	The Working Group to provide feedback on the updated DCP 348 legal text by close of play on Friday 08 November 2019.	Working Group Members	Action Closed

03/06	The Secretariat to send the finalised legal text to the DCUSA Legal Advisors on Monday 11 November 2019.	Electralink	Action Closed
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