

Open Networks ECR Amendment Request – DCUSA Party Comments

Date Received	Company	Comments
28/07/2020	Centrica	<p>We object to the removal of information on the Connection Queue Management Position. We believe that data to indicate queue position is critical to system users and to the ESO as it provides an indication of how long it could take before assets will connect to the system in that area. Understanding queue progression in an area is important in helping investors reach decisions on where to connect.</p> <p>The proposal is to replace queue position with a “Yes/No” answer to indicate just whether an asset is in a queue or not. This provides no indication of queue status. It provides no differentiation between an asset in a short, fast-moving queue and an asset in a long-queue waiting on works that could take several years.</p> <p>We do not accept the justification that the Connection Queue Management Position will change frequently as a justification for replacing this field. DCP350 requires that DNOs publish the updated ECR once a month, using the latest information it holds at the end of the preceding month. This means that the DNO only has to show the queue position status as it stood for the last day of the month and does not need to update it if it changes in the interim.</p>