

DCUSA Panel Meeting 173 (Open Session)

18 November 2020 at 10:00

Teleconference

Attendee	Role	Company
Panel Members		
Kevin Woollard [KW]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Simon Yeo [SY]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Peter Waymont [PW]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Julia Haughey [JH]	Panel Member [Chair]	DCUSA Ltd
Rebecca Cailles [RC]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Karl Maryon [KM]	Alternate Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Observers		
Nadir Hafeez [NH]	Observer	Ofgem
Mark DeSouza Wilson [MDW]	Observer	BSC
Andrew Bard [AB]	Observer	MRA
Code Administrator		
Angelo Fitzhenry [AF]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Richard Colwill [RC]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Dylan Townsend [DYT]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Michelle Simpson [MS]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
George Dawson [GD]	Technical Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd

Apologies	Company
Alessandra De Zottis	DCUSA Ltd

Part One: General (Open Session)

1. Administration

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed all attendees to the meeting. The Chair noted the apology received from Alessandra De Zottis.
- 1.2 The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and all in attendance agreed they were an accurate representation of the meeting.
- 1.3 The Panel reviewed the open actions and updates on all actions are set out in Appendix A.

2. Updates from Industry Codes

Balancing & Settlement Code (BSC)

- 2.1 MDW provided a verbal BSC update for the November Panel meeting.
- 2.2 It was noted that another 24k valid sets of Line Loss Factor Classes were inputted in October, with an additional 37k inputted in early November however, there have been some issues with certain MDD files which are being investigated.
- 2.3 MDW noted that both the scopes for the 2020 and 2021 BSC releases have been revealed.
- 2.4 It was noted that P396 goes live from December and the fund share will have to be picked up by other interconnected parties.
- 2.5 **Master Registration Agreement (MRA)**
- 2.6 AB provided an update to the Panel prior to the meeting and this was sent out via email and can also be found on the DCUSA website.

Ofgem

- 2.7 NH provided a verbal update to the Panel regarding recent status changes of DCPs with Ofgem for decision.
- 2.8 DCP 266 – The decision-making process on this has been delayed and hopefully a decision will be released closer to the end of November.
- 2.9 DCP 372 – This CP has been accepted by Ofgem.
- 2.10 DCP 297 – Ofgem hope to revisit this with a view of reprioritisation given the time it has been with the Authority. A further update will be provided at the December meeting.
- 2.11 NH noted that all other outstanding changes with Ofgem have been deprioritised.
- 2.12 Ofgem’s Christmas publishing moratorium will begin on 18 December 2020 and end on 2nd January 2021.
- 2.13 **SEC**
- 2.14 SEC did not provide an update for this month’s Panel meeting.

3. Accession Applications

- 3.1 GD presented the Accession Applications paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_01).
- 3.2 GD confirmed that there were no new Accession Applications for the Panel to review and approve this month.

4. DCUSA Withdrawal Notice Paper

- 4.1 DYT presented the DCUSA Withdrawal Notice Paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_02).
- 4.2 The Secretariat has received notice from iSupply Energy Limited that it wishes to withdraw from the Agreement on 20 November 2020.
- 4.3 They will no longer have an Electricity Supply licence and therefore cannot be a Party to the DCUSA.
- 4.4 The Panel approved the withdrawal request..

Action 173/01: ElectraLink to withdraw iSupply Energy Limited's Accession to DCUSA on 20 November 2020.

5. DCMDG Headline Report

- 5.1 AF presented the DCMDG Headline Report paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_03).
- 5.2 AF read through the contents of the paper to the Panel and the Panel noted this with no additional comments.

6. CACOP Headline Report

- 6.1 RC presented the CACOP Headline Report paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_04).
- 6.2 RC read through the contents of Section 2 of the paper to the Panel and the Panel noted these updates with no additional comments.

7. IWG Headline Report

- 7.1 RC presented the IWG Headline Report paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_05).
- 7.2 RC read through the contents of Section 2 of the paper to the Panel and the Panel noted these updates with no additional comments.

8. DCUSA Training November 2020 Headline Report

- 8.1 AF presented the DCUSA Training November 2020 Headline Report paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_06).
- 8.2 AF noted that the Training Day had 18 attendees from Party categories such as Suppliers, IDNOs and CVA Registrants.

- 8.3 AF presented the feedback left by participants to the Panel, which was largely positive and well received.

9. Panel 2021 Meeting Dates

- 9.1 GD presented the Panel 2021 Meeting Dates paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_07).
- 9.2 GD highlighted the 12 dates presented for the 2021 DCUSA meetings. He noted that these follow the usual DCUSA calendar of the third Wednesday of each month.
- 9.3 The Panel approved the 2021 meeting dates schedule..

Action 173/02: ElectraLink to set up 2021 DCUSA Panel meetings on the agreed dates.

10. DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan

- 10.1 DYT presented the DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan to the Panel, which was circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_08).
- 10.2 The Panel had no comments.

Part Two: Change Administration (Open Session)

11. Change Register

- 11.1 GD presented the Change Register updates to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_09).
- 11.2 The Change Register updates were taken as read.

12. Initial Assessments

- 12.1 GD presented the Initial Assessment Cover Paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_10).
- 12.2 GD informed the Panel that there were three Initial Assessments to present to the Panel this month, DCP 377 '*Subsequent Theft Charter Change Code*', DCP 378 '*DCP333 Housekeeping Change*' and DCP 379 '*Amend Table 1 of Schedule 15 to maintain alignment with the distribution licence*'
- 12.3 DCP 377 – The Panel noted that in the 2nd paragraph in Section 4, there was an unhighlighted 'Domestic' which would need to be changed to red in fitting with the other parts of the section. Once this would be completed, the Panel agreed for the Change to go to Change Report.
- 12.4 DCP 378 – The Panel noted that it was a Standard Change and were happy to progress the Change to Change Report.

Action 173/03: ElectraLink to progress DCPs 377 and 378 to Change Report

- 12.5 DCP 379 – The discussion centred around the modelling and implementation dates and with respect to the former, the Panel agreed for ElectraLink to issue a modelling request to CEPA/TNEI, with the view being that the updated models should to be provided as attachments to the Change Report, so Parties (DNOs) have visibility of what amendments have been made and for what years. It was noted that this is the same approach that is used when Working Groups request for models to be updated and so this request should be treated in the same way.
- 12.6 With respect to the implementation date, the Panel discussed how, this change might be implemented on a single date, rather than what might otherwise be a phased implementation across a number of years. It was agreed that as the CP should only need to amend the model reference number at the start of Schedules 16 and that this reference number is only added upon implementation. Therefore, the current versions of the pre-release charging methodologies (i.e. previously issued with respect to charges effective as of 01 April 2021 and more recently for charges effective as of 01 April 2022) can be taken to account for implementation of this aspect of the change if re-issued alongside the updated models once the CP has been approved. It was also noted that given the ARP model (set out in Schedule 20) is not going to be used until April 2023, the production of an updated model for the charging year commencing 01 April 2022 can be requested and then used as a baseline for which future changes can be built onto, and that the new model version number will not be reflected when implementing the current pre-release Charging Methodologies on their effective from dates.

Action 173/04: ElectraLink to progress DCP 379 to Change Report, whilst obtaining models from CEPA TNEI to accompany the Change Report to the December Panel meeting.

13. Change Reports

- 13.1 GD presented the Change Reports Cover Paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_11). The paper stated that since the last meeting there had been two Change Reports issued to the DCUSA Panel for review.
- 13.2 DCP 373 '*Groups in Schedule 11*' – The Panel were happy with the state of the Change Report and approved it being sent out to all Parties for a voting period of 15 Working Days.
- 13.3 DCP 376 '*Provision of Customer Residual Charging Bands to Suppliers*' – The Panel noted that in Section 9, paragraph 3.5, 'System' needed to be added after the sentence, as underlined below:
- "On or before 30 June following the 31 March referred to in Paragraph 3.1, each DNO/IDNO Party shall provide each Supplier Party with a list of each and every MPAN associated with a Non-Domestic Premises that is connected to the DNO/IDNO Party's Distribution (System)"
- 13.4 Once this amendment had been actioned, the Panel were happy with the state of the Change Report and approved it being sent out to Suppliers, DNOs and IDNO Parties for a voting period of 15 Working Days.

Action 173/05: ElectraLink to send DCPs 373 and 376 for Party Voting once amendments have been made.

14. Housekeeping Log

- 14.1 GD presented the Housekeeping Log Summary Paper and Housekeeping Log to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2020_1118_12).
- 14.2 GD informed the Panel that the Housekeeping item discussed at the October meeting relating to the TCR Implementation Steering Group regarding DCPs 358 and 360 had been added to the log.
- 14.3 Otherwise there had been no new Housekeeping issues raised since the previous Panel meeting.

15. Any other Business

- 15.1 No items of additional business were raised.

16. Next Meeting – 16 December 2020 at 10:00am

- 16.1 The meeting will be via teleconference.

Appendix A: Summary of Actions

New and Open Actions – Open Session

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
173/01	ElectraLink to withdraw iSupply Energy Limited's Accession to DCUSA on 20 November 2020.	ElectraLink	
173/02	ElectraLink to set up 2021 DCUSA Panel meetings on the agreed dates.	ElectraLink	
173/03	ElectraLink to progress DCPs 377 and 378 to Change Report	ElectraLink	
173/04	ElectraLink to progress DCP 379 to Change Report, whilst obtaining models from CEPA TNEI to accompany the Change Report to the December Panel meeting.	ElectraLink	
173/05	ElectraLink to send DCPs 373 and 376 for Party Voting once amendments have been made.	ElectraLink	

Closed Actions Open session

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
172/01	Panel Elections – ElectraLink to email CVA Registrants directly to encourage nominations for the vacant DCUSA Panel CVA member and alternate positions.	ElectraLink	Completed
172/02	ElectraLink to progress DCP 374 & 375 to Change Report and Working Group respectively	ElectraLink	Completed
171/01	ElectraLink to initiate the Panel Election process on 01 October 2020.	ElectraLink	Completed
171/02	ElectraLink to progress DCP 373 to Change Report.	ElectraLink	Completed
171/03	ElectraLink to progress DCP 372 to Voting stage	ElectraLink	Completed

171/04	ElectraLink to obtain confirmation from the Proposer of DCP 314 on whether or not they wish to progress the change.	ElectraLink	Completed
169/01	RC to update the DCP 371 Terms of Reference and issue to DCUSA Panel for consideration, prior to setting up the Working Group.	ElectraLink	Complete
169/02	AG to extend the DCP 369 Voting period for a further 15 Working Days.	ElectraLink	Complete
169/03	ElectraLink to issue DCP 361 to parties for voting on 17 July 2020.	ElectraLink	Complete
168/01	ElectraLink to update DCPs 364 and 369 with the Changes noted above, prior to completing the following action.	ElectraLink	Completed
168/02	ElectraLink to issue DCPs 364 and 369 for Voting on 19 June 2020.	ElectraLink	Completed
168/03	ElectraLink to add the two items presented in the June Housekeeping Log Summary Paper to the Housekeeping Log so they can be tracked accordingly.	ElectraLink	Completed