DCUSA

Interventions Working Group - Meeting 55

05 May 2021 at 10:00am
Teleconference on Teams

Attendees	Company
Callum Sheen [CS]	E.ON
Geoff Huckerby [GH]	Power Data Associates
Martin Murphy [MM]	NPg
Paul Abreu [PA]	Energy Networks Association (ENA)
Paul Morris [PM]	UK Power Networks (UKPN)
Rachael Williams [RW]	SPEN
Richard Hill [RH]	Centrica
Simon Wilson [SW]	EDF Energy
Richard Brady [RB]	WPD
Richard Cockerill (RiC)	OVO
Peter Skirvin [PS]	Electricity North West (ENW)
John Heague [JH]	Scottish Power
Dave Wright [DW]	Npower
Boz Laird-Clowes [BLC]	BEIS
Secretariat	

Richard Colwill [RC] (Chair)	ElectraLink
Amina Uddin [AU]	ElectraLink

1. Administration

1.1 The Chair welcomed attendees to the 55th IWG meeting.

1.2 The Chair reminded members to act in accordance with the terms set out in the DCUSA "Competition Law Guidance" for the duration of the meeting.

2. IWG 53 – Draft Minutes

2.1 The minutes from the previous meeting held on 07 April 2021 were reviewed.

2.2 The Chair and group agreed the minutes to be an accurate reflection of the discussions held at the previous meeting. A version of these minutes can be found in Attachment 1.

3. Outstanding Actions

3.1 The IWG reviewed the outstanding actions, and an updated version of the actions log can be found in Attachment 2.

3.2 The Chair informed the group that PA was currently looking at raising the BNO issue as a SEC modification but would need to seek a member to sponsor the modification. This was in relation to Action 48/02[1]. A further update will be provided via email in the coming weeks.

3.3 The Chair explained the process for issuing reminders to Suppliers regarding the Supplier Emergency Metering Services register requirements.

3.4 The Chair agreed to send a reminder in relation to Action 52/03[2].

3.5 The Chair provided an update regarding Action 54/01[3]. The below is the commentary provided for the methodology of the smart meter installations monthly report:

[1] PA to share draft SEC modification for IWG review once ready.

[2] Secretariat to issue a reminder to Suppliers regarding the Supplier Emergency Metering Services register requirements as detailed within DCUSA.

[3] Secretariat to investigate the methodologies process for the smart meter installs.

The analysis is based on the D0150 data flows which are transmitted across our network and which we believe capture the vast majority of smart meter installations. The users of the DTS have given ElectraLink permission to intercept and analyse this, and other data flows across the DTN, subject to certain conditions. Our analysis defines smart meters as those models with the capability to handle time of use tariffs and which can be remotely updated.

For installations after September 2013, we count all meters flagged as SMETS1, SMETS2 or non-SMETS. For installations before the industry standard designation was agreed the allocation is based on the make and model of meter.

3.6 After discussion, the Working Group had the following questions:

- What is the definition of non-SMETS in relation to being included in the smart meter calculations?
- It was queried whether it would be possible to review how many smart meters are live on the system as a percentage of total MPANs as an alternative approach to calculating smart meter installs.

3.7 The Secretariat took an action to investigate the above questions further.

3.8 An update version of the actions log can be found in Attachment 2.

ACTION 55/01: Secretariat to investigate the questions posed in Section 3.6.

4. Operational, Safety, and Reporting Issues

4.1 The Operational, Safety, and Reporting Issues spreadsheet that was issued prior to the meeting was reviewed.

4.2 JH gave an update on the neutral current diversion; the **IET website** had been updated to include the Scottish Power Energy Networks video and there was information available on how neutral current diversion occurs and the implications **here**.

4.3 PM noted that their organisation had a URL that they were using for category B jobs and were looking at how they could use the URL for category A jobs going forward and how it would integrate with Supplier systems.

4.4 It was agreed that a facility that would enable photos to be shared with regard to Category A jobs would be useful. It was noted that this is not intended to replace the current way of

reporting Category A via telephone but is to be added as a an additional feature to enable more information to be shared.

4.5 The group had no new Issues to discuss.

4.6 An updated version of the Operational, Safety, and Reporting Issues spreadsheet can be found in Attachment 3.

5. 2021 Workstreams Updates

WPD Smart Meter Derby Local Pilot Support – February to April 2020

5.1 This pilot is on hold until May 2021.

BNO Issues

5.2 As states above, the Chair informed the group that PA was currently looking at raising the BNO issue as a SEC modification but would need to seek a member to sponsor the modification. This was in relation to Action 48/02[4]. A further update will be provided via email in the coming weeks.

Aborted Site Visits

5.3 An update on the BEIS End-to-End Fulfilment Project was provided at the April meeting and future updates will be provided as the project progresses further.

DCP 383 - Provision for Distributors to Move Meters for Service Alterations

5.4 The intent of this CP is to define a process detailing when a Distributor can move a Supplier's meter during service alteration works. The next meeting is scheduled for 24 May and a consultation is to be released shortly.

DCP 390 - Provision of Isolations for Safe Working on Customers' Electrical Installations

5.5 The intent of this CP is to a define process detailing how a customer can obtain timely main supply electrical isolations to allow for safe working on their electrical installations.

[4] PA to share draft SEC modification for IWG review once ready.

Post Meeting Note:

5.6 If a Party believes that there is an alternative solution to the one outlined in DCP 390, it is requested that the proposed alternative solution is presented in a paper ahead of the first DCP 390 Working Group so that it can be discussed.

5.7 For those that have requested to be part of the DCP 390 Working Group an email will be sent shortly confirming details of the first meeting.

6. Smart Meter Installs

6.1 The monthly smart meter installs for March 2021 were circulated with the meeting papers. The April numbers will be issued shortly.

7. Any Other Business

7.1 One member questioned whether IWG would resume face-to-face meetings and there was also a discussion on the duration of Microsoft Team meetings and what should be on the agenda for future meetings. Following these discussions, the Chair issued an email with the following questions to members:

1. Attached is the current ToR, do these still reflect the purpose of the IWG?
2. We have an ongoing agenda item called "Operational, Safety and Reporting Issues". The intent of this item is to utilise the expertise of the IWG. As a challenge for the next meeting, can members come with at least one issue they would like resolved?
3. We talked about teleconference vs face to face, please provide your preferred approach moving forward (assuming face to face is safe).
4. Please provide your preferred meeting duration for teleconference meetings and face to face meetings.
5. Any other comments appreciated.

7.2 This email was issued on Friday, 7 May, with a deadline for response set at 25 May.

8. Next Meeting

8.1 The next IWG meeting was scheduled to be held on 2 June 2021 via Microsoft Teams. The meeting will start at 10:00am.