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## Monthly Summary



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## WORKING GROUP UPDATES



### DCP 409

#### 'Change to Credit cover calculations to include Last Resort Supply Payment'

*The intent of this Change Proposal is to adjust Suppliers' Value at Risk calculations to take account of Valid Claims under the Supplier of Last Resort Process that may be due to the Supplier as Last Resort Supply Payments over the coming months*

DCP 409 was presented to the Panel in May for Initial Assessment and was approved to progress to the definition phase. A Working Group will be formed to refine the proposed solution.

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## DCP 408

### 'Energy Bills Support Scheme (EBSS) cost-recovery treatment'

*The intent of this Change Proposal is to ensure that the recovery of costs of the Energy Bills Support Scheme (EBSS) is in line with policy intent set by the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS), and that there is consistency between DNO license and DCUSA obligations.*

Recently Government announced that every household would have £200 reduced from their energy bills, but that it would need to be paid back over the next five years. DCP 408 was raised to ensure that the recovery of these costs was in line with policy intent set by BEIS. It was announced on 26 May that Government has now cancelled the requirement for the costs of the EBBS to be recovered and therefore DCP 408 is no longer needed. DCP 408 has subsequently been withdrawn.

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## DCP 407

### 'Access SCR: Speculative Development'

*The purpose of this change proposal (CP) is to implement parts of Ofgem's Access SCR Decision in respect of Speculative Developments into the Common Connections Charging Methodology (CCCM) and consequential changes into Schedule 32 (Residual Charging Bands). This CP seeks to address paragraph 16 of the Access SCR Direction.*

The second DCP 407 meeting was held on 31 May 2022. Meetings will take place every Tuesday until a Consultation has been produced. The next DCP 407 Working Group meeting will be held on 07 June 2022. This Urgent CP is in the Definition stage.

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## DCP 406

### 'Access SCR: Changes to CCCM'

*The purpose of this change proposal (CP) is to implement parts of Ofgem's Access SCR Decision in respect of the Common Connections Charging methodology (CCCM). This CP seeks to address paragraphs 12 to 15 and 17 of the Access SCR Direction.*

The second DCP 406 meeting was held on 31 May 2022 and further meetings will take place every Tuesday until a Consultation has been produced. The next DCP 406 Working Group meeting will be held on 07 June 2022. This Urgent CP is in the Definition stage.

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## DCP 405

### 'Access SCR: Managing Curtailable Connections between Licensed Distribution Networks'

*The purpose of this change proposal is to implement the outcomes of Ofgem's Access and Forward-Looking Charges Significant Code Review (the 'Access SCR') in respect of curtailable connections where the customer is connected to a different licenced distribution network operator than the network which drives the requirement to curtail the customer. This change proposal seeks to introduce obligations at the boundary between licenced distribution network operators to ensure that an appropriate assignment of responsibilities and liabilities and to implement paragraphs 18-22 of Ofgem's Access SCR Direction.*

The first DCP 405 meeting was held on 19 May 2022 and will take place every Thursday until a Consultation has been produced. Due to Bank Holiday weekend, the next DCP 405 Working Group meeting will be held on 09 June 2022. This Urgent CP is in the Definition stage.

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## DCP 404

### 'Access SCR: Changes to Terms of Connection for Curtailable Customers'

*The purpose of this change proposal (CP) is to implement parts of Ofgem's Access SCR Decision in respect of Non-firm Access Rights. This CP seeks to address paragraphs 18 to 22 of the Access SCR Direction. The full Access SCR implementation will also change other parts of the DCUSA and other industry documents.*

The first DCP 404 meeting was held on 19 May 2022 and will take place every Thursday until a Consultation has been produced. Due to Bank Holiday weekend, the next DCP 404 Working Group meeting will be held on 09 June 2022. This Urgent CP is in the Definition stage.

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## DCP 403

### 'Clarify the application of the TCR fixed charge'

*The intent of this change proposal is to ensure backup connections do not pay the DUoS residual charge when it is already being paid for on another connection that relates to the same capacity.*

This CP was presented to the DCUSA Panel during an ex-committee meeting that was held on 26 April 2022. The Panel agreed that the CP should be treated as a Part 1 Matter and an Urgent change and that it should be progressed to the definition phase and for a Working Group to be set up to further refine the solution and consult industry. The first Working Group meeting is being held on 08 June 2022.

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## DCP 400

### 'Commissioning of Works using shared Meter Operator services by the Crowded Meter Room Coordinator'

*To allow Alt HAN Co, acting as a Crowded Meter Room Co-ordinator to commission necessary works, using a shared Meter Operator, to resolve meter room issues that enable the installation of Smart and Alt HAN equipment.*

The third Working Group meeting was held on 12 May 2022, at which members reviewed the draft legal text and next steps. The next meeting will be scheduled shortly and members will review the draft consultation.

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## DCP 399

### 'Revision to Embedded Capacity Register (ECR) to lower threshold for entries from 1MW to 50 kW'

*To lower the threshold for entries to the ECR from 1MW to 50kW.*

The DCP 399 Working Group is currently finalising a consultation document and plan to issue this no later than 10 June 2022.

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## DCP 394

### 'Allow any REC Accredited Meter Operator to De-Energise any Metering Point'

*To widen the scope of DCUSA to allow any REC accredited meter operator to carry out de-energisation and re-energisation works.*



The ninth Working Group meeting was held on 24 May 2022, at which members continued to review the draft legal text. A tenth Working Group meeting has been scheduled for 09 June 2022, for members to finalise the consultation document, ready to be issued to industry on 10 June 2022.

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## DCP 392

### 'Charging of Third Party DNO works to transmission connection users'

*This Change Proposal looks to apply the CCCM to all electricity connections in respect of DNO works, regardless of whether they are directly connected to a distribution system or not and to apply the ECCR for reimbursements to the transmission-connected customer where CAF rules do not apply so that full charge for works is initially made to the transmission connected customer.*

The Working Group members concluded their review of the consultation responses at their tenth meeting on 23 May 2022. An eleventh meeting has been scheduled for 13th June 2022 for members to review open actions and to consider the draft consultation.

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## DCP 389

### 'Provision of TCR - Clarification on Exceptional Circumstances and Allocation Review for 'New' Sites'

*The intent of this Change Proposal is twofold: (i) to clarify the circumstances in which the exceptional circumstances set out in paragraph six of DCUSA Schedule 32 apply; and (ii) to introduce a process to review the allocation of 'new' sites, including where no data was available when allocating existing sites.*



The Working Group last met on 21 March 2022, where they agreed on the final elements of their proposed solution and reviewed the draft Change Report. The Working Group are currently considering some final elements of their proposed solution following some comments received with respect to the draft legal text from DCUSA Ltd.'s legal advisor. The Working Group are meeting on 06 June 2022 to agree the final version of legal drafting and are aiming to provide the Change Report to the Panel for approval in June.

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## DCP 388

### 'Amendments to Facilitate Appropriate Residual Charging for Sites with a Mix of Final and Non-Final Demand'

*The intent of this modification is to define "Mixed Demand" Sites and apply a proportionate Residual charge where a Site meets the mixed demand definition.*

The Working Group held their 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> meetings on 13 May and 27 May respectively, where they reviewed the responses to their first consultation and are due to meet again on 17 June to refine their preferred solution.



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## DCP 371

### 'Last Resort Arrangements for Distributors to manage specific consumer connected devices.'

*The intent of this CP seeks to provide the governance arrangements regarding Distributors' ability to manage consumer devices (such as EV chargers) connected to Smart Meter infrastructure to prevent network overloads in emergency scenarios as a last resort measure.*

This CP is on pause to allow SSEN to explore alternative. This is to allow SSEN to explore alternative solutions which are being developed which were not available when the SEC Modification was originally raised.

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## DCP 328

### 'Use of system charging for private networks with competition in supply'

*This CP looks to ensure that use of system charging remains cost reflective when competition in supply on a private network is in place.*

The Working Group is currently revising the proposed solution with the aim to issue to the modelling providers shortly.

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## DCP 325

### 'Reviewing the requirements of Sections 35A, 35B, Schedule 15 and Schedule 20'

*This CP seeks to combine, review and if appropriate, amend the requirements of Section 35A and 35B, Schedule 15 and 20 to improve transparency and efficiency in the data published by DNOs.*

Prior to Ofgem's final decision on the Targeted Charging Review (TCR), the Working Group had started to finalise the solution (including an updated Illustrative Forecast Model) and were planning a second and final consultation. The Secretariat has confirmed with the Proposer that they wish to proceed with the developing the change. The next steps will



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therefore be to re-engage the Working Group and proceed to a second and final consultation.



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### DCPs Out for Vote

**DCP 397** - 'Modification of the Load Managed Area Notice Template'

**DCP 395** - 'Allocation of Smart Meter Communication Licence costs within LDNO Tariffs'

### DCPs Awaiting Approval from Ofgem

**DCP 297** - 'Network Interventions SLA Enhancement'

**DCP 313** - 'Eligibility Criteria for EDCM Generation Credits'

**DCP 343** - 'Use of a nominated calculation agent for the calculation of the LV mains split'

### DCPs Sent Back by Ofgem

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

*It is proposed that DCP 390 is withdrawn as it has now been merged with DCP 394.*

**DCP 340** - 'Notice period required to recover approved last resort supply payment claims which breach the materiality threshold'

*DCP 340 was returned by the Authority, where they noted that they had been unable to make a decision because of some elements within the legal text. Discussions surrounding next steps have been carried out with the Proposer and DCUSA Ltd.'s legal advisors. The Code Administrator has now received a revised solution and will therefore be preparing an updated Change Report, which is currently expected to be presented to the June DCUSA Panel meeting.*

### DCPs to be Implemented on 07 June 2022

**DCP 387** - 'Amendment to the Definition of Non-Final Demand Site to Align with CUSC'

### DCPs to be Implemented on 23 June 2022

**DCP 402** - 'Amendment to the 'Effective From' Date of DCP 349'

**DCP 386** - 'Sharing Network Information with Owners and Occupiers'

### DCPs to be Implemented on 18 July 2022

**DCP 401** - 'Consequential DCUSA changes for Switching SCR (REC 3.0)'

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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

<b>Jun 07</b>	DCP 406 Working Group Meeting 03 <b>10:00 - 13:00</b>
<b>Jun 07</b>	DCP 407 Working Group Meeting 03 <b>13:00 - 17:00</b>
<b>Jun 08</b>	DCP 403 Working Group Meeting 01 <b>10:00 - 13:00</b>
<b>Jun 09</b>	DCP 394 Working Group Meeting 10 <b>10:00 - 13:00</b>
<b>Jun 09</b>	DCP 404 Working Group Meeting 03 <b>10:00 - 13:00</b>
<b>Jun 09</b>	DCP 405 Working Group Meeting 03 <b>13:00 - 17:00</b>
<b>Jun 13</b>	DCP 392 Working Group Meeting 11 <b>10:00 - 13:00</b>
<b>Jun 15</b>	DCUSA Panel & Board Session <b>10:00 - 15:00</b>
<b>Jun 16</b>	DCMDG Meeting 52 <b>9:00 - 10:00</b>

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