

DCUSA DCP 404 Change Declaration

Voting end date: 12pm, 3 November 2022

DCP 405	WEIGHTED VOTING				
	DNO	IDNO	SUPPLIER	CVA REGISTRANT	GAS SUPPLIER
CHANGE SOLUTION	Accept	Accept	Accept	n/a	n/a
IMPLEMENTATION DATE	Accept	Accept	Accept	n/a	n/a
RECOMMENDATION	<p>Change Solution – Accept.</p> <p>In respect of each Party Category that was eligible to vote, the sum of the Weighted Votes of the Groups in that Party Category which voted to accept the change solution was more than 50% in all Categories.</p> <p>Implementation Date – Accept.</p> <p>In respect of each Party Category that was eligible to vote, the sum of the Weighted Votes of the Groups in that Party Category which voted to accept the implementation date was more than 50% in all Categories.</p>				
PART ONE / PART TWO	Part One – Authority Determination Required				

PARTY	SOLUTION (A / R)	IMPLEMENTATION DATE (A / R)	WHICH DCUSA OBJECTIVE(S) IS BETTER FACILITATED?	COMMENTS
DNO PARTIES				
NORTHERN POWERGRID (NORTHEAST) PLC	Accept	Accept	We agree with the Working Group that DCUSA General Objectives 1 and 3 are better facilitated by this Change Proposal, and for the reasons set out in the Change Report.	None
NORTHERN POWERGRID (YORKSHIRE) PLC	Accept	Accept		
Southern Electric Power Distribution plc	Accept	Accept	We agree with the DCP 404 Working Group that DCUSA General Objectives 1 and 3 are better met by this change.	None
Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution plc	Accept	Accept		
National Grid Electricity Distribution East Midlands	Accept	Accept	<p>National Grid Electricity Distribution believes that this better facilitates objectives 1 and 3.</p> <p>Objective 1 – We believe this objective is better facilitated as the Access SCR proposals for curtailable connections will allow DNO's and IDNO's to have more efficient development of electricity distribution systems.</p> <p>Objective 3 – This CP has a positive impact on how DNO's and IDNO's can implement changes which are a result of Ofgem's Access SCR. This will allow the necessary code changes to be carried out, resulting in a positive impact on the efficient discharge of our obligations.</p>	None
National Grid Electricity Distribution West Midlands	Accept	Accept		
National Grid Electricity Distribution South West	Accept	Accept		
National Grid Electricity Distribution South Wales	Accept	Accept		
SP Distribution plc	Accept	Accept	We agree that the change proposal better facilitates the DCUSA objectives for the reasons detailed in the Change Report.	Given the short timeframe to develop and agree the necessary changes to implement the Access SCR decision we support this change proposal. We believe a period of monitoring will be required to assess the impact of these untested changes to ensure they deliver the appropriate solution. Speedy resolution of any
SP Manweb plc	Accept	Accept		

				unintended / unidentified consequences that detrimentally impact the safe and efficient operation of the network will be required.
Eastern Power Networks	Accept	Accept	<p>The DCUSA objective better facilitated by this change is general objective 3: The efficient discharge by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of obligations imposed upon them in their Distribution Licences. This change is the result of an Ofgem Direction under a Significant Code Review which puts an obligation on us a DNO to implement the changes Directed. This change fulfils this obligation.</p> <p>This change also better facilitates general objective 1. The development, maintenance and operation by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of efficient, co-ordinated, and economical Distribution Networks. By facilitating faster connections to the network through use of Curtailable Connections, this change sets a common set of arrangements for customers for whom such a connection will be beneficial and making best use of the existing capacity on the distribution network.</p>	<p>We would draw attention to the fact that the arrangements described in this change are complex and have been developed with limited time for thorough testing of the outcomes they will produce. This applies to two areas in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Methodology for setting the Curtailment Limit – this is a complex methodology and has had to be designed to be common to all DNOs. Therefore, naturally, the methodology has to employ many assumptions which have a large impact on the outcome. This carries the risk that the methodology could produce results that do not appropriately reflect the upper limit of the level of curtailment that will be driven by network conditions being assessed for the particular customer's connection. • The Methodology for setting the Exceeded Curtailment Price – while we understand the intent of the Exceeded Curtailment Price, we do not believe there has been sufficient testing or analysis of the outcome of the methodology described in this change to ensure it produces prices that lead to an overall net benefit to the electricity system and its customers. <p>For both of these risks, we believe that industry should actively monitor the outcomes of these two methodologies once implemented and applied to real world situations. Where improvements can be made that would better meet DCUSA objectives and result in better outcomes for all electricity customers, further changes should be raised.</p>
London Power Networks	Accept	Accept		
South Eastern Power Networks	Accept	Accept		
Electricity North West	Accept	Accept	<p>We agree with the reasoning of the Working Group that DCP 404 will better facilitate General Objectives one and three.</p>	<p>ENWL requests Ofgem takes reasonable endeavours to make a decision by mid-December 2022 on this modification because this will increase clarity for connection customers and reduce potential DUoS charging volatility as well as lower implementation risk for DNOs and our customers. For example, a decision in mid-December may enable us to take any Ofgem decision into account through our charge setting process for 2024/25 DUoS. Normally, DUoS charges</p>

				need to be set by 31 December 2022 for the year from 1 April 2024.
IDNO PARTIES				
Optimal Power Networks Ltd	Accept	Accept	DCUSA General 3.	None
The Electricity Network Company	Accept	Accept	General Objectives 2. Clear defined terms of connection for curtailments between DNO's/IDNO's and the end user. Charging Objectives 2. Clear compliance of competition in the generation and supply of electric.	None
ESP Electricity	Accept	Accept	We believe that DCUSA General Objectives 1 and 3 are better facilitated.	None
SUPPLIER PARTIES				
EDF ENERGY CUSTOMERS LIMITED	Accept	Accept	The DCUSA Objectives better facilitated by this change are: 1. The development, maintenance and operation by each of the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of an efficient, co-ordinated, and economical Distribution System. 3. The efficient discharge by each of the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of the obligations imposed upon them by their Distribution Licences.	None
British Gas	Accept	Accept	We agree that DCP 404 better facilitates DCUSA General Objectives 1 and 3.	None
CVA REGISTRANT PARTIES				
GAS SUPPLIER PARTIES				
Not Eligible				