

DCP 410 - Fairer re-assessment of the allocation of Final Demand Sites prior to subsequent price control periods

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Amend Paragraph 4 of Schedule 32 (Residual Charging Bands) as follows:

4. ALLOCATION OF CUSTOMERS TO CHARGING BANDS BY DNO/IDNO PARTIES

4.1 For Final Demand Sites within the groups identified in Paragraph 1.5(a), 1.5(b) or 1.5(c), each DNO/IDNO Party shall allocate its Final Demand Sites to the relevant charging band based on the following criteria (subject to Paragraph 4.2A):

- (a) if 24 months of data is available, the average Maximum Import Capacity over that period; or if not available
- (b) allocation to a charging band will be based on the following criteria:
 - (i) the average of Maximum Import Capacity over that period for which data is available; or
 - (ii) if no such data is available, other available information that is appropriate for a typical profile of a similar site to best estimate the expected demand of the Final Demand Site.

4.2 For Final Demand Sites within the group identified in Paragraph 1.5(d), each DNO/IDNO Party shall allocate its Final Demand Sites to the relevant charging band based on the following criteria (subject to Paragraph 4.2A):

- (a) for a Final Demand Site that is half hourly settled:
 - (i) if 24 months of data is available, the average annual import consumption based on metered data over the 24 months; or if not available

- (ii) when a minimum of 12 months of data is available, the average annual import consumption over the period for which metered data is available; or if not available
 - (iii) other available information that is appropriate for a typical profile of a similar site to best estimate the expected annual import consumption of the Final Demand Site; or
- (b) for a Final Demand Site that is non-half hourly settled:
 - (i) the most recent Estimated Annual Consumption for that Final Demand Site; or if not available
 - (ii) the Default Estimated Annual Consumption for that class of Final Demand Site; or if not available
 - (iii) other available information that is appropriate for a typical profile of a similar site to best estimate the expected annual import consumption of the Final Demand Site.

4.2A If a Final Demand Site has been reallocated to a different charging band in accordance with Paragraph 6.1 or 7.17 with effect from a time which falls within the 24 months before the time of the assessment under Paragraph 4.1 or 4.2, then the time period used for the purposes of such assessment shall be the time since the date when the last band reallocation became effective.

4.3 Each Final Demand Site will be allocated in accordance with Paragraphs 4.1 to 4.2A to the charging band where its capacity or consumption (as applicable) is greater than the minimum threshold for that charging band, and less than or equal to the maximum threshold for that charging band (as determined under Paragraph 2 or 3).

4.4 The allocation of each Final Demand Site will be re-assessed by the DNO/IDNO Party prior to the start of each onshore electricity transmission owner price control period, following the relevant review under Paragraph 3.

4.5 Subject to Paragraphs 4.6 and 5A, Final Demand Sites will remain in a charging band for the duration of the onshore transmission owner price control period, subject to any

exceptional circumstances as defined in Paragraph 6 and/or a successful dispute as defined in Paragraph 7.

- 4.6 During the period to 31 October 2021, a site may be re-classified as a Final Demand Site (from a Non-Final Demand Site) or as a Non-Final Demand Site (from a Final Demand Site) in accordance with Paragraph 5.

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