













DCUSA Change Proposal (DCP)		At what stage is this document in the process?
<h1>DCP 428:</h1> <h2>Zero REP-002/A data</h2> <p>Date Raised: 25 July 2023</p> <p>Proposer Name: Peter Waymont</p> <p>Company Name: Eastern Power Networks</p> <p>Party Category: DNO</p>		01 – Change Proposal
		02 – Consultation
		03 – Change Report
		04 – Change Declaration
<p>Purpose of Change Proposal:</p> <p>To specify how parties should deal with zero or blank data in the supercustomer/aggregated billing messages when sending daily statements or raising invoices.</p>		
	<p>Governance:</p> <p>The Proposer recommends that this Change Proposal should be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treated as a Part 2 Matter • Treated as a Standard Change • Progressed to the Working Group phase <p>The Panel will consider the proposer's recommendation and determine the appropriate route.</p>	
	<p>Impacted Parties:</p> <p>Suppliers/DNOs/IDNOs</p>	
	<p>Impacted Clauses:</p> <p>Clauses 21, 23, 44, 46 and Schedule 19</p>	

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Indicative Timeline			Other:
The Secretariat recommends the following timetable:			Insert name
Initial Assessment Report	20 September 2023	 email address.	 telephone
Consultation Issued to Industry Participants	TBC	Other:	Insert name
Change Report Approved by Panel	20 March 2024	 email address.	 telephone
Change Report issued for Voting	21 March 2024		
Party Voting Closes	11 April 2024		
Change Declaration Issued to Parties	15 April 2024		
Implementation	01 April 2015		

1 Summary

What?

- 1.1 Clarification is required to be added to DCUSA as to how to deal with supercustomer/aggregated billing data that is entirely blank or zero or where invoices for these result in a zero value.

Why?

- 1.2 The MHHS programme have stated that the REP002/A messages (which are the equivalents of the current D0030 and D0314 flows) will contain zero values.

They have stated:

“for settlement dates for which suppliers don’t have any registered and energised Whole Current MHHS MPANs, the supplier will be included on the LDSOs version of the REP-002 and any such suppliers will be issued an (empty) REP-002 where the supplier is a qualified participant with the correct role type”.

it would contain the following records:

- S0 – Transactional Info
- R027 Distributor Id
- R013 – GSP Group
- R007 Settlement Run Execution
- R002 – Settlement Run Info
- R009 – Supplier MPID (REP-002) or R006 – Embedded LDSO Id (REP-002A)

but none of the following:

- R010 Tariff Characteristics
- R011 – Consumption data by Settlement Period
- R0105 – Daily volumes on Actuals or Estimates”

How?

- 1.3 By amending the DCUSA to clarify the resulting processes as they affect daily statements and invoices.

2 Governance

Justification for Part 1 and Part 2 Matter

- 2.1 This does not meet any of the Part 1 criteria as it is believed that this is a sensible change that just seeks to add clarity to DCUSA as to how to deal with supercustomer/aggregated billing data that is entirely blank or zero or where invoices for these result in a zero value.

Requested Next Steps

- 2.2 This Change Proposal should:
- Be treated as a Part 2 Matter;
 - Be treated as a Standard Change; and
 - Proceed to the Working Group phase.

3 Why Change?

- 3.1 To clarify how DNO/IDNOs should progress zero values in the REP-002/A message. To clarify the actions Suppliers/IDNOs should take following receipt of zero value daily statements/invoices.

4 Solution and Legal Text

Legal Text

Amended Clauses 20, 23, 44 and 46 as follows;

Initial Account

- 20.6 Following its receipt of each Supercustomer DUoS Report in accordance with the timetable for Settlement after each Settlement Run relating to each Settlement Day, the Company shall deliver Daily Statements, **including where these total zero**, to the User as soon as is reasonably practicable.
- 20.7 The Company shall submit to the User as soon as is reasonably practicable after the end of each charging period an account or accounts (the **Initial Account**) specifying the Use of System Charges payable by or to the User in respect of each Initial Settlement Run in respect of which a Daily Statement has been produced and which has not previously been included in an Initial Account, **including where these total zero**. Such Initial Accounts shall be based on the Daily Statements provided pursuant to Clause 20.2.

Reconciliation Account

- 20.8 Where a subsequent Daily Statement for any Settlement Day indicates that, as a result of a subsequent Reconciliation Run or Post-Final Settlement Run, the Use of System Charges in respect of that Settlement Day are different from those included in an Initial Account, **including where either of these total zero**, the Company shall calculate such difference and the interest thereon and shall submit an account **including where that account total zeros** (the **Reconciliation Account**) in respect of such difference to the User as soon as is reasonably practicable after the end of each charging period. Such interest shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 3.
- 20.9 Within 14 days of the date of an Initial Account or Reconciliation Account submitted in accordance with Clause 20.3 or 20.4, the Payor shall (subject to Clause 19.6) pay to the Payee all sums due in respect of such Initial Account or Reconciliation Account in pounds sterling by electronic transfer of funds to such bank account (located in the United Kingdom) as is specified in the Initial Account or Reconciliation Account (or, where the Company is the Payor, such bank account as is notified to the Company by the User from time to time), quoting the Initial Account or Reconciliation Account number against which payment is made and/or such other details as the Payee may reasonably require.
- 20.5a **Within 14 days of the date of an Initial Account or Reconciliation Account submitted in accordance with Clause 20.3 or 20.4 that totals £0, the User shall (subject to Clause 19.6) notify the Company to clear**

down all zero sums quoting the Initial Account or Reconciliation Account number to be cleared and/or such other details as the Company may reasonably require.

- 23.3 The Payee shall be entitled, without prejudice to any other right or remedy, to receive interest on any payment not duly made pursuant to the terms of Clause 20.5, Clause 21.3, or Clause 22.3, calculated from day to day at a rate per annum equal to the Default Interest Rate from the day after the date on which payment was due up to and including the date of payment, together with any reasonable administration charge notified by the Payee to the Payor from time to time. **The Company shall be entitled to receive a reasonable administration charge, as notified by the Company to the User from time to time, for any zero sum invoice which it has not received notice to clear down in accordance with Clause 20.5a.**
- 44.4 Within 14 days of the date of an account submitted in accordance with Clause 44.2 or Clause 44.3, the User shall pay to the Company all sums due in respect of such account in pounds sterling by electronic transfer of cleared funds to such bank account (located in the United Kingdom) as is specified in the account, **or if the account totals £0 the User shall notify the Company to clear down all zero sums, quoting the account number against which payment is made or clearance of zero value is directed and/or such other details as the Company may reasonably require.**
- 46.3 The Company shall be entitled, without prejudice to any other right or remedy, to receive interest on any payment not duly made pursuant to the terms of Clause 44.4, or Clause 45.3 calculated from day to day at a rate per annum equal to the Default Interest Rate from the day after the date on which payment was due up to and including the date of payment, together with an administration charge as notified by the Company to the User from time to time. **The Company shall be entitled to receive a reasonable administration charge, as notified by the Company to the User from time to time, for any zero sum invoice which it has not received notice to clear down in accordance with Clause 44.4.**

Amend Schedule 19 as follows;

- 2.1 In order to calculate the Use of System Charges attributable to the EDNO's aggregated settled demand Connectees, the DNO Party will use the data provided to it by the SVAA **including where these total zero for the EDNO [pursuant to section S and BSCP508 of the BSC].**
- 2.2 Where a subsequent Settlement Run indicates that, as a result of such Settlement Run, the Use of System Charges are different from those previously billed, the DNO Party shall calculate such difference and the interest thereon, and shall submit an invoice, **including where such difference totals zero**, for such difference and interest as soon as is reasonably practicable after such Settlement Run. Such interest shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 3 (as if the invoice under Paragraph 2.1 was an Initial Account, and as if the invoice under this Paragraph 2.2 was a Reconciliation Account under Clause 20.4). For the avoidance of doubt, zero value invoices shall be issued where

Text Commentary

- 4.1 The text is intended to make it clear that zero value statements and invoices will be issued. It requires the user to notify the company that zero sum invoices should be cleared down. Where the user does not do this, the company will incur costs is pursuing the user for clarity on next steps and so admin fees will be payable. The highlighted and bracketed phrase is proposed to be removed in the MHHS drafting work.

5 Code Specific Matters

Reference Documents

- 5.1 None.

6 Relevant Objectives

	DCUSA General Objectives	Identified impact
<input type="checkbox"/>	1. The development, maintenance and operation by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of efficient, co-ordinated, and economical Distribution Networks	None
<input type="checkbox"/>	2. The facilitation of effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity and (so far as is consistent therewith) the promotion of such competition in the sale, distribution and purchase of electricity	None
<input type="checkbox"/>	3. The efficient discharge by the DNO Parties and IDNO Parties of obligations imposed upon them in their Distribution Licences	None
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4. The promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the DCUSA	Positive
<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Compliance with the EU Internal Market Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.	None

- 6.1 By adding clarity to DCUSA as to how to deal with supercustomer/aggregated billing data that is entirely blank or zero or where invoices for these result in a zero value, will ensure Distributors and Suppliers agree to the most efficient way of dealing with these scenarios.

7 Impacts & Other Considerations

- 7.1 One option may be to request that the MHHS programme don't include zero values in the REP-002/A messages.

Does this Change Proposal impact a Significant Code Review (SCR) or other significant industry change projects, if so, how?

- 7.2 No.

Does this Change Proposal Impact Other Codes?

Please tick the relevant boxes and provide any supporting information. [\[See Guidance Note 6\]](#)

BSC.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	MRA.....	<input type="checkbox"/>
CUSC.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	SEC.....	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grid Code.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	REC.....	<input type="checkbox"/>
Distribution Code..	<input type="checkbox"/>	None.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Consideration of Wider Industry Impacts

Has this issue been discussed at any other industry forums? If so, please specify and provide supporting documentation [\[See Guidance Note 6\]](#)

7.3 This was discussed in the SIG initially and a consultation issued. Consultation documents are available on the DCUSA website and the responses can be found as Attachment 1. This change has been raised in light of those responses.

Confidentiality

7.4 None confidential.

8 Implementation

Proposed Implementation Date

8.5 The proposed implementation date is 1 April 2025.

9 Recommendations

The Code Administrator will provide a summary of any recommendations/determinations provided by the Panel in considering the initial Change Proposal. This will form part of a Final Change Report.