

Meeting Session	DCUSA Panel (Open Session)
Paper Reference	Panel_2024_0221_04_Initial Assessment Paper: DCPs 434, 435, 436 and 437
Action	For Decision

Initial Assessment Paper

1. Synopsis

- 1.1 This paper refers any DCUSA Change Proposals (DCPs) to the DCUSA Panel for agreement on their progression.
- 1.2 This month, four Change Proposals (CPs) have been received by the Secretariat.
- 1.3 The CPs have been assessed by the Secretariat in accordance with Clause 10.11 of the DCUSA, and the Secretariat believes that the CPs have met the requirements set out in the DCUSA. Therefore, the Secretariat has prepared a set of recommendations for consideration by the Panel.

2. Change Proposals Received

- 2.1 Table 1 details the CPs that have been received by the DCUSA Secretariat. The views of each of the Proposers as to whether their CP relates to a Part 1 or Part 2 Matter and whether it should be treated as a Standard or Urgent change is detailed in the bullet points below:
 - It is the view of the Proposer of DCP 434 that it be classed as a Standard Change and a Part 2 Matter;
 - It is the view of the Proposer of DCP 435 that it be classed as a Standard Change and a Part 1 Matter;
 - It is the view of the Proposer of DCP 436 that it be classed as a Standard Change and a Part 2 Matter;
 - It is the view of the Proposer of DCP 437 that it be classed as a Standard Change and a Part 1 Matter;
- 2.2 Taking into account the view of each of the Proposers above, the DCUSA Panel should, with reference to DCUSA Clause 9.4 and 10.7, determine whether, in their opinion, each CP relates to a Part 1 or Part 2 Matter and whether the CP is to be treated as a Standard or an Urgent change.

DCP No.	Title	Proposer	Part 1 / Part 2 Matter	Proposed Implementation Date	Impacted Clauses	CP Area	Summary
DCP 434	Credit Cover RAV in ED-2	Eastern Power Networks	Part 2	27 June 2024	Schedule 1 – Paragraph 2.3	Credit Cover	The RAV calculation used in Credit Cover needs to be updated to reflect ED-2
DCP 435	Party Novation Process v2	Eastern Power Networks	Part 1	Next DCUSA Release following approval	Section 1A – Clause 2 & Section 3 – Clause 60	General	Purpose of Change Proposal: To add a process within DCUSA to enable a Party to transfer its rights and obligations to another Party via a novation agreement.
DCP 436	Date Change for the provision of Rota Load Block Alpha Identifiers	Electricity North West Limited	Part 2	27 June 2024	Schedule 8 – Paragraphs 13.1; 13.2; 13.3	General	To change the dates related to the provision of Rota Load Block Alpha Identifiers to later dates. Later dates would ensure that the most up to date Rota Load Block Alpha Identifiers are provided to Customers via Suppliers during the winter when the use of Rota Load Disconnections are most likely to be needed. Without changing the dates, (I)DNOs would need to issue Rota Load Block Alpha Identifiers to Suppliers twice per year to achieve this accuracy during winter, which is disruptive to (I)DNOs and Suppliers.
DCP 437	To Shorten The DUoS Pricing Notice Periods	National Grid Electricity Distribution	Part 1	Next DCUSA Release following approval	Section 2A – Clause 19.1A	General	This change proposal aims to shorten the DUoS Pricing Notice Periods so there is longer period between the publication of the PCFM where OFGEM have the option to make changes to our allowed revenue at short notice and the setting of the prices.

3. Progression of the Change Proposals

DCP 434 'Credit Cover RAV in ED-2'

- 3.1 ElectraLink recommends that DCP 434 is treated as a Part 2 Matter and that it be progressed to the Change Report Phase in accordance with the timetable set out in the table below:

Activity	Target Date
Initial Assessment Report	21 February 2024
Consultation Issued to Industry Participants	N/A
Change Report Approved by Panel	20 March 2024
Change Report issued for Voting	21 March 2024
Party Voting Closes	15 April 2024
Change Declaration Issued to Parties	17 April 2024

DCP 435 'Party Novation Process v2'

- 3.2 ElectraLink recommends that DCP 435 is treated as a Part 1 Matter and that it be progressed to the Change Report Phase in accordance with the timetable set out in the table below:

Activity	Target Date
Initial Assessment Report	21 February 2024
Consultation Issued to Industry Participants	N/A
Change Report Approved by Panel	20 March 2024
Change Report issued for Voting	21 March 2024
Party Voting Closes	15 April 2024
Change Declaration Issued to the Authority	17 April 2024

DCP 436 'Date Change for the provision of Rota Load Block Alpha Identifiers'

- 3.3 ElectraLink recommends that DCP 436 is treated as a Part 2 Matter and that it be progressed to the Definition Phase and for a Working Group to be set up in order to further refine the proposed solution in accordance with the timetable set out in the table below:

Activity	Target Date
Initial Assessment Report	21 February 2024
Consultation Issued to Industry Participants	March 2024
Change Report Approved by Panel	15 May 2024
Change Report issued for Voting	17 May 2024
Party Voting Closes	10 June 2024
Change Declaration Issued to Parties	13 June 2024

DCP 437 'To Shorten The DUoS Pricing Notice Periods'

- 3.4 ElectraLink recommends that DCP 437 is treated as a Part 1 Matter and that it be progressed to the Definition Phase and for a Working Group to be set up in order to further refine the proposed solution in accordance with the timetable set out in the table below:

Activity	Target Date
Initial Assessment Report	21 February 2024
Consultation Issued to Industry Participants	TBC
Change Report Approved by Panel	17 July 2024
Change Report issued for Voting	18 July 2024
Party Voting Closes	08 August 2024
Change Declaration Issued to Parties	12 August 2024
Change Declaration Issued to Authority	12 August 2024

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 For DCP 434 the DCUSA Panel is invited to:

- **ACCEPT** the referral of the CP;
- **AGREE** that the CP should be treated as a 'Standard' Change;
- **AGREE** that DCP 434 should be treated as a Part 2 Matter;
- **AGREE** that DCP 434 should be progressed to the to the Change Report Phase; and
- **AGREE** the progression of the CP in accordance with the timescales set out in the table under paragraph 3.1 above.

- 4.2 For DCP 435 the DCUSA Panel is invited to:

- **ACCEPT** the referral of the CP;
- **AGREE** that the CP should be treated as a 'Standard' Change;
- **AGREE** that DCP 435 should be treated as a Part 1 Matter;
- **AGREE** that DCP 435 should be progressed to the Change Report Phase; and
- **AGREE** the progression of the CP in accordance with the timescales set out in the table under paragraph 3.2 above.

- 4.3 For DCP 436 the DCUSA Panel is invited to:

- **ACCEPT** the referral of the CP;
- **AGREE** that the CP should be treated as a 'Standard' Change;
- **AGREE** that DCP 436 should be treated as a Part 2 Matter;
- **AGREE** that DCP 436 should be progressed to the Definition Phase and for a Working Group to be set up in order to further refine the proposed solution; and
- **AGREE** the progression of the CP in accordance with the timescales set out in the table under paragraph 3.3 above.

- 4.4 For DCP 437 the DCUSA Panel is invited to:

- **ACCEPT** the referral of the CP;
- **AGREE** that the CP should be treated as a 'Standard' Change;
- **AGREE** that DCP 437 should be treated as a Part 1 Matter;

- **AGREE** that DCP 437 should be progressed to the Definition Phase and for a Working Group to be set up in order to further refine the proposed solution; and
- **AGREE** the progression of the CP in accordance with the timescales set out in the table under paragraph 3.4 above.

5. Attachments

- Attachment 1 – DCP 434 Change Proposal Form
- Attachment 2 – DCP 435 Change Proposal Form
- Attachment 3 – DCP 436 Change Proposal Form
- Attachment 4 – DCP 437 Change Proposal Form

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