

DCUSA Panel Meeting 212 (Open Session)

21 February 2024 at 10:00am

3rd Floor, Northumberland House, 303 306 High Holborn, London,
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Attendee	Role	Company
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Simon Vicary [SV]	Panel Member (Acting Chair)	DCUSA Ltd
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Donna Jamieson [DJ]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Karl Marylon [KM]	Alternate Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Donald Preston [DP]	Alternate Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Peter Waymont [PW]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Lee Wells [LW]	Alternate Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Kevin Woollard [KW]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Simon Yeo [SY]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Observers		
Gavin Bailey [GB]	Observer	Ofgem
Mark Bellman [MB]	Observer	Electricity North West
Michael Ceney [MC]	Observer	BSC
Nadir Hafeez [NH]	Observer	Ofgem
Nadia Hall [NH]	Observer	Ofgem
Carly Malcolm [CM]	Observer	Ofgem
Sally Musaka [SM]	Observer	SSE
Sean Winchester [SW]	Observer	Ofgem
Code Administrators		
Craig Booth [CB]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Richard Colwill [RC]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
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Andy Green [AG]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Melissa Kendal [MK]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
George Kestner [GK]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Dylan Townsend [DT]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Apologies		
Mark DeSouza Wilson [MDW]	Observer	BSC

1. Administration

Permission to record Meeting

- 1.1 The Panel RESOLVED to record this Meeting.

Welcomes and Introductions

- 1.2 DJ was unable to join for the start of the Panel Meeting. The Panel RESOLVED that Simon Vicary would take the Chair.
- 1.3 The Chair welcomed all attendees to the meeting.

Apologies

- 1.4 It was noted that 'Apologies' had been received from: Mark DeSouza Wilson.

Non-Confidential Minutes

- 1.5 The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed, and the Panel agreed that they were a true and fair representation of the meeting.

Updated Actions

- 1.6 The Panel reviewed the new and open actions for the previous closed session Panel meetings and updates on all actions are set out in Appendix A.

2. Updates from the Industry Working Groups/Codes

Balancing & Settlement Code (BSC)

- 2.1 MC provided an update on items related to the BSC. Key points included the following:
- The qualification assessment document was open for consultation until 1 March 2024; and
 - The Issue 101 consultation would close on 21 February 2024.
- 2.2 The Panel NOTED the BSC update.

Ofgem

- 2.3 NH provided an update on items related to Ofgem. Key points included the following:
- An update was provided on Change Proposals that sat with Ofgem:
 - DCP 411 'Charging De-energised sites': Ofgem had previously been expecting to make a decision by the end of February, but an additional legal review had delayed the Estimated Decision Date (EDD) to 19 March 2024.
 - DCP 392 'Charging of Third Party DNO Works to Transmission Connection Users': a decision to reject had been made on 16 February 2024.
 - Other Ofgem activities would be covered in separate presentations later in the Open Panel Meeting.

2.4 The Panel NOTED the Ofgem update.

Smart Energy Code (SEC)

2.5 The Panel NOTED that no SEC representative was in attendance for this meeting and that no update was provided during this meeting.

Retail Energy Code (REC)

2.6 The Panel NOTED that no REC representative was in attendance for this meeting and that no update was provided during this meeting.

3. Consultation on the Implementation of Energy Code Reform

3.1 GB and SW provided a presentation on the Consultation on the Implementation of Energy Code Reform (ECR), the slides for which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0221_01).

3.2 GB and SW introduced themselves and explained their current role and remit, responsibility for the implementation of Energy Code Reform and strategic direction. Their presentation focussed upon the key proposals in their consultation, which was due to close on 23 April 2024, and to explain the next steps, which would include a future consultation on Code Manager selection and licencing. Key points from their presentation included the following:

- An update on the history of the ECR progress to date.
- A summary of the current consultation questions and the process that was being followed. The current plan was for some existing Codes to be consolidated into three new codes, but for the BSC, REC and SEC to be left in their current position, and additional detail about the reasoning behind these decisions was provided.
- Although the current industry led Panels and Boards would cease to exist, SW stressed that Ofgem valued the expertise of these groups and new mechanisms via stakeholder advisory forums for securing industry participation and input into the decision-making process would be developed.
- The next steps would be the development of a detailed timeline that would map out the transition period and next steps.
- Current proposals included: changing the modification process, possibly by adopting a standard modification process across all codes, to bring all Codes into alignment with one another, designing a single set of standard Code objectives across all Codes; and introducing a new Net Zero Code objective.
- A flowchart was presented that showed next steps, which would include a webinar in March 2024 and a Change/Modification Process Working Group to convene in May 2024.

3.3 The Panel discussed the Ofgem presentation and raised the following points:

- SV asked if Ofgem had considered how their proposals would impact upon contractual relationships with service providers. SW replied that the detailed implementation process was in scope and working groups would need to work through the detail, however, although the Energy

Act gave Ofgem considerable power to make changes, he stressed that the approach that would be followed would be to work with incumbent Code Managers to make the process of change as smooth and painless as possible.

- KW asked for more detail around how transition would be implemented. Ofgem were starting with the BSC, but he thought that the process might be delivered more smoothly and produce greater savings if the Gas Codes were merged first, as there were greater existing crossovers and no conflicts with MHHS. SW said that Ofgem had considered various factors and had concluded that BSC consolidation would be the fastest to realise and that this process could be completed before MHHS started.
- LW asked for additional information on rationale behind keeping BSC and REC separate, as both Codes were focussed on the retail market. LW observed that this would facilitate avoiding consequential changes from being missed, as BSC modifications currently did not often identify cross-code impact and this had created issues in the past. SW explained that Ofgem's call for input had received strong feedback that BSC, REC and SEC were already large codes with specific focus areas and should be left alone, but that some of their provisions might be transferred as part of the consolidation exercise.
- DJ asked about the impact upon Market Entry, noting that the REC and BSC had very similar processes for managing market entry, and from recent experience, the REC arrangements had been quite slow to progress through the relevant stages. DJ asked if these processes could be streamlined or made more efficient, to which SW agreed that there was scope to consider this.

3.4 The Panel thanked Ofgem for the update that had been provided.

4. Update on the progress of the FSO Cross-Code Working Group

4.1 CM provided an update on the progress of the FSO Cross-Code Working Group, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0221_02).

4.2 CM introduced herself and explained her role, which included responsibility for establishing the Future Systems Operator ('FSO'), with a particular focus on industry rule changes and the Cross Code Working Group. Key points from the presentation included the following:

- The rationale behind the FSO code changes was summarised. The FSO, as a new expert body, was the defining feature of this policy and these proposals were the culmination of several policy consultations and prior work and would impact upon all classes of energy licence. Ofgem's authority for this had been laid out in the Energy Bill, which had received Royal Assent in 2023.
- Ofgem had initially worked with project partners, being Elexon and National Grid ESO to determine likely impacts across all codes and then the work of the CCWG was to review the work that had been developed during that initial stage.
- The CCWG had discussed and debated various aspects across a number of meetings and most recently had considered optimal baselining approaches and any potential constraints in providing a baseline to show the changes being proposed. Actions, baselining and scenario planning were being reviewed to ensure that the FSO was ready on day-one. CM provided

additional detail about the scope and the consultative process followed to date and to come in the future.

- The CCWG would support the delivery of two main areas of change, being an institutional package of changes and consideration of new roles that would be assigned to the FSO. It was also noted that there is likely to be a future review that would consider how to expand the remit and evolution of these roles within the FSO.
- CM spoke about the various defined terms that will need to change and the discussions that the CCWG had in relation to the level of work required for the various impacted codes for the different approaches that have been considered. CM presented a slide that showed the changes that were currently being considered and discussed how contractual relationships between different stakeholders would be updated.
- Ofgem were working jointly with DESNZ to ensure that the proposed changes are robust, and noted that the Energy Act empowered these organisations to make specific changes directly to codes with respect to the creation of the FSO.
- CM said that current proposals included for the FSO to have uniform approach to panel memberships and voting rights across all Codes, that boiler plate text had been developed for the new roles related to National Security and Advisory provisions and where in the codes these could be placed.
- CM noted that it was anticipated that additional code changes would come as the FSO matured and provided some detail on the code changes that would be required to implement these new licence obligations.

4.3 The Panel NOTED that the process being followed for the implementation of the FSO provisions was similar to that used previously by BEIS (now DESNZ) when they directed that the DCUSA be amended to add new rules around Alt Han devices and for which they carried out a statutory consultation prior to directing that changes be made.

4.4 The Panel sought assurances from DT, as a member of the CCWG that developments were being closely monitored by the Secretariat and that the proposed changes and approach were all controllable and that there were no perceived issues. DT confirmed that given his involvement, the Panel had nothing to worry about and that the proposed changes were quite simple and straight forward for the DCUSA and that in any event, Parties would have sight of the consultation and could respond if there were any concerns about what is being proposed.

4.5 The Panel thanked Ofgem for the update that had been provided.

5. Change Register

5.1 RC presented the Change Register updates to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0221_03). RC explained which changes had changed status since the last Panel meeting as well as any that had moved into a new status since the paper was published. Key points included:

5.2 RC presented the CP 'Status Change' tab. Key points included:

- DCP 433 'Limitation for backdating of rebates/charges under Schedule 32': The first working group had met and was progressing this CP.
- DCP 428 'Zero REP-002/A Data': CR would be presented later at the meeting and the Legal Text had now been received.
- DCP 430 'Reducing Good Payment Record': This was awaiting implementation.
- DCP 429 'Obtaining an Independent Credit Assessment': This was awaiting implementation.
- DCP 432 'Amend the Recognised Credit Assessment Agency table in Schedule 1': This was awaiting implementation.
- DCP 431 'Party Novation Process': This had been rejected and an alternative proposal (DCP 435) would be presented later in the meeting.

5.3 RC presented the 'Timetables' tab and highlighted that the timetables for the following CPs had changed:

- DCP 428 'Zero REP-002/A Data': timetable amended to be issued a month earlier than planned.
- DCP 425 'Cost Apportionment Factor "cap" methodology': the consultation was due to be issued shortly.
- DCP 423 'LDNO Discounts for negative scaling': due to feedback from the Working Group the timetable had been amended and the CR would be presented in March 2024.
- DCP 421 'Update the Tables in schedule 15 of DCUSA': the Working Group had identified some additional changes and CR would be presented in March 2024.
- DCP 417 'Ability for the DCUSA Secretariat to Raise Change Proposals': The Change Report was now expected to be presented in March 2024.
- DCP 325 'Reviewing the requirements of Sections 35A ('Provision of Cost Information'), 35B ('Production of the Annual Review Pack'), Schedule 15 ('Cost Information Table') and Schedule 20 ('Production of the Annual Review Pack')': the Consultation for this would be issued shortly.

5.4 The Panel NOTED the Change Register updates.

6. Initial Assessments

6.1 DT presented the Initial Assessment Cover Paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0221_04). It was NOTED that the paper presented four new Change Proposals for Initial Assessment by the Panel as set out below.

DCP 434 'Credit Cover RAV in ED-2'

6.2 The Panel NOTED that the intent of DCP 434 is to update the RAV calculation used in Credit Cover to reflect ED-2.

6.3 The Panel SCRUTINISED DCP 434.

- LW NOTED that DCP 434 referenced a specific publication and asked if this might be rewritten to refer to this in a generic way. PW clarified that the reason for the change was that the previously used publication was no longer published, and this CP would be difficult to future-proof in this way.
- PW NOTED that there was a typographical error in one of the table headers, but that this was a minor change and could be addressed once the legal text had been submitted to Gowling WLG for legal review.

6.4 For DCP 434, the Panel:

- ACCEPTED the referral of the CP;
- AGREED that the CP should be treated as a 'Standard' Change;
- AGREED that DCP 434 should be treated as a Part 2 Matter;
- AGREED that DCP 434 should be progressed to the Change Report Phase; and
- AGREED the progression of the CP in accordance with the proposed timetable recommended by the Secretariat.

DCP 435 'Party Novation Process v2'

6.5 The Panel NOTED that the intent of DCP 435 is to add a process within DCUSA to enable a Party to transfer its rights and obligations to another Party via a novation agreement.

6.6 PW provided additional information about DCP 435 and explained that this CP had sought to incorporate feedback from the previous attempt to progress a Novation amendment through DCP 431.

6.7 For DCP 435, the Panel:

- ACCEPTED the referral of the CP;
- AGREED that the CP should be treated as a 'Standard' Change;
- AGREED that DCP 435 should be treated as a Part 1 Matter;
- AGREED that DCP 435 should be progressed to the Change Report Phase; and
- AGREED the progression of the CP in accordance with the proposed timetable recommended by the Secretariat.

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

6.8 The Panel NOTED that the intent of DCP 436 is 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

6.9 The Panel NOTED that DCP 436 had been proposed by two named proposers jointly, which wasn't in keeping with DCUSA procedures. The Panel RESOLVED to ask the two proposers if one of these could withdraw, so that this CP would have a single proposer.

6.10 For DCP 436, the Panel, subject to a single proposer being agreed:

- ACCEPTED the referral of the CP;
- AGREED that the CP should be treated as a 'Standard' Change;
- AGREED that DCP 436 should be treated as a Part 2 Matter;
- AGREED 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
- AGREED the progression of the CP in accordance with the proposed timetable recommended by the Secretariat.

DCP 437 'To Shorten The DUoS Pricing Notice Periods'

6.11 The Panel NOTED that the intent of DCP 437 is 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 allowed revenue at short notice and the setting of the prices.

6.12 The Panel SCRUTINISED DCP 437:

- SV NOTED that there was a risk that licence changes might need to be taken into account as there were complexities that should be considered. The Panel RESOLVED to add a note to this effect in the terms of reference and NOTED that the working Group would need to consider this.
- NH NOTED that this modification might have some interaction with the DUoS SCR, and Ofgem would consider this and offer comments at the Charging Futures Forum.

6.13 For DCP 437, the Panel RESOLVED, subject to Ofgem confirming that this could proceed without impacting upon the DUoS SCR, to:

- ACCEPTED the referral of the CP;
- AGREED that the CP should be treated as a 'Standard' Change;
- AGREED that DCP 437 should be treated as a Part 1 Matter;
- AGREED 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
- AGREED the progression of the CP in accordance with the proposed timetable recommended by the Secretariat.

212/01 Initial Assessments: The Secretariat to: (1) progress DCP 434 'Credit Cover RAV in ED-2' to the Change Report Phase; (2) progress DCP 435 'Party Novation Process v2' to the Change Report Phase; (3) subject to a single proposer being agreed, progress DCP 436 'Date Change for the provision of Rota Load Block Alpha Identifiers' to the Definition Phase and to set up a Working Group in order to further refine the proposed solution; and (4) subject to Ofgem confirming that this could proceed without impacting upon the DUoS SCR, progress DCP 437 'To Shorten The DUoS Pricing Notice Periods' to the Definition Phase and to set up a Working Group in order to further refine the proposed solution.

7. Change Reports

- 7.1 DT presented the Change Report Cover Paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0221_05). It was noted that the paper presented one Change Report for approval this month.

DCP 428 'Zero REP-002/A data'

- 7.2 The Panel NOTED that the intent of DCP 428 is to specify how parties should deal with zero or blank data in the supercustomer/aggregated billing messages when sending daily statements or raising invoices.
- 7.3 DT NOTED that legal text had only been received on the morning of the Panel, and therefore there had been insufficient time for the Panel to review and scrutinise this. There had also been substantive changes as a result of the legal review, and so this would need to be returned to the Working Group for further scrutiny.
- 7.4 The Panel RESOLVED that DCP 428 should:
- (1) be returned to the Working Group for review and approval; and
 - (2) then be submitted to the Panel for ex-Committee decision by email.

212/02 Change Reports: 'DCP 428': As the legal text for DCP 428 had not been available ahead of the February 2024 Open Panel Meeting, the amended legal text will need to be reviewed and approved by the Working group, after which the Panel will review and approve/reject this through an ex-Committee Decision via email.

8. Housekeeping Log

- 8.1 DT presented the Housekeeping Log Summary Paper and Housekeeping Log to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0221_06). The paper was taken as read.
- 8.2 DT advised that, as discussed at the last meeting (Action 211/03), a review of the DCUSA had been conducted to identify occurrences of 'fax' and 'facsimile' with a view to removing these as part of a future Housekeeping Change.
- 8.3 The Panel SCRUTINISED the proposal and discussed whether it was appropriate for this to be updated as a Housekeeping Change, or whether this was a more substantial change and should require its own Change.
- 8.4 The Panel FURTHER NOTED that the telex service was due to be switched off alongside the fax service and RESOLVED that references to 'telex' should also be removed.
- 8.5 The Panel discussed when this should be progressed and RESOLVED to monitor developments and decide when to best progress this via a separate CP to coincide with the switch-off of these services in 2025.

212/03 Housekeeping Log: The Secretariat to add an item to the Housekeeping Log that would remove references to 'fax', 'facsimile' and 'telex'. This would need to be progressed via a separate CP to coincide with the switch-off of these services in 2025.

9. Accession Applications

- 9.1 DT presented the Accession Applications paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0221_05). It was noted that the paper presented one new Accession Application that had been received and vetted by the Secretariat. This application was from AC Electrics (Cleland) Limited in the Party Category of Safe Isolation Provider.
- 9.2 DJ NOTED that the email address in the Application was in an incorrect format. The Secretariat AGREED to confirm this before progressing this Application.
- 9.3 DT NOTED that a number of SIP Applications were coming in at too early a stage in the application process to allow them to be progressed and FURTHER NOTED That this had been discussed with the REC Code Manager to agree how the process should be better communicated to prospective SIP Applicants.
- 9.4 The Panel SCRUTINISED the Accession Application from AC Electrics (Cleland) Limited and RESOLVED to prepare the relevant Accession Agreement paperwork for signing and progress the Accession Application following the meeting.

212/04 Accession Applications: The Secretariat to progress the Accession Application for AC Electrics (Cleland) Limited, by drafting and sending to the applicant an Accession Agreement and advising the DCUSA Board that the Panel have instructed them to countersign the Accession Agreement.

10. Party Withdrawal Notice

- 10.1 DT presented the Party Withdrawal Notice paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0221_08). The paper was taken as read.

Shell Energy Supply UK Limited

- 10.2 DT advised that Shell Energy Supply UK Limited had been dissolved on 22 December 2023 and that Ofgem had revoked their Electricity Supply Licence effective from 8 January 2022.
- 10.3 The Panel AGREED that Shell Energy Supply UK Limited would withdraw from the DCUSA on 4 March 2024.

212/05 Party Withdrawal Notice: The Secretariat to progress the withdrawal of Shell Energy Supply UK Limited from the DCUSA. .

11. DCMDG Headline Report

- 11.1 DT presented the DCMDG Headline Report paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0221_09). The paper was taken as read. Key points included:
 - SSEN had previously raised a concern that EDCM tariffs were showing negative residuals and Ofgem had provided a derogation to allow SSEN to use a previous year's model until a solution could be found. Ofgem provided an update and advised that a different problem had been identified with National Grid Electricity Distribution's residuals and a derogation had been provide to them as well. Ofgem were holding further discussions with stakeholders to identify the cause of these problems and to develop a solution.

- A paper containing collated responses to the Confirmation 24-month window for next Charging Bands Allocation had been discussed and the DNOs had agreed to discuss this amongst themselves and present a unified agreement on the approach to take at the next meeting.

11.2 The Panel NOTED the DCMDG Headline Report.

12. DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan

- 12.1 DT presented the DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0221_08). The paper was taken as read.
- 12.2 DT NOTED that the only update since the last Meeting was a note to the Energy Code Reform item to confirm that the consultation had been issued on 30 January 2024.
- 12.3 LW PROPOSED adding the Ofgem Consultation on SoLR Offset Levy to the Horizon Scan. The Panel RESOLVED to add this as a new item.

212/06 DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan: The Secretariat to add the Ofgem Consultation on SoLR Offset Levy to the Horizon Scan

12.4 The Panel NOTED the Horizon Scan.

13. Any Other Business

13.1 Three items of Other Business were raised, as follows:

AOB 1: 'Energy Code Reform & Processes That Should Sit Under Open Governance (Queue Management)'

- 13.2 TE NOTED that a situation had arisen regarding the Distribution Code and connection queue milestones and whether the contract terms around key milestones currently sit in the CUSC for transmission connections. TE noted that for distribution connections, stakeholders have to rely on the ENA guidance document that was developed jointly across DNOs, but that there was a view amongst some industry colleagues that it would be ideal if the ENA guidance document was to become codified and whether the DCUSA could accommodate this as the CUSC does for transmission connections. TE explained that rationale for raising the item now was due to the recent developments in terms of the potential consolidation of the DCUSA and CUSC.
- 13.3 The Panel discussed this item of Other Business. Points raised included the following:
- SV agreed that DCUSA and CUSC should be in alignment as part of the consolidation work as part of code reform, and asked if this should be progressed via a CP?
 - TE said that this was a live issue and was having a commercial impact on users due to dissimilar application by different DNOs, as it isn't codified in either the DCode or the DCUSA and did not have any governance.
 - TE NOTED that the question of which Code this should sit within had not yet been discussed with Ofgem as it had only recently been identified. NH noted he was happy to have consult with colleagues about who might be best placed to have a conversation about this.

AOB 2: 'CEPI Tarriff movement paper'

13.4 DJ sought an update about the publication of the CEPI Tarriff movement paper. AF NOTED that this was currently being written but would be shared with the Panel once drafted.

AOB 3: 'Charging Futures Forum'

13.5 NH advised that the next Charging Futures Forum would take place on 21 March 2024.

14. Date of next meeting: 20 March 2024 at 10:00am

14.1 The next meeting will be held in person at ElectraLink's offices, 3rd Floor, Northumberland House, 303-306 High Holborn, London, WC1V 7JZ and via Microsoft Teams.

Appendix A: Summary of Actions

New and Open Actions – Open Session

Ref No.	Action	Owner	Update
207/08	<p><u>Review of Updated Templates</u>: Following feedback at the September 2023 Open Panel, the Secretariat would amend the Change Proposal form and circulate an updated copy to Panel Members for comment ahead of final approval at the October 2023 Open Panel.</p> <p>Update 18 October 2023: The October 2023 Open Panel RESOLVED that the Secretariat would additionally delete the 'Legal Text' example section from the template.</p>	ElectraLink	<p>Update: 18 October 2023: These were tabled and presented at the October Open Panel and updated versions would be circulated for further comments. KEEP OPEN</p> <p>Update: 15 November 2023: Due to competing priorities, this had been deferred and not been progressed this month. KEEP OPEN</p> <p>Update 17 January 2024: This remained ongoing. KEEP OPEN</p> <p>Update 21 February 2024: This was being progressed and was anticipated to be completed before the March 2024 Open Panel Meeting. KEEP OPEN</p>
208/04	<p><u>Review of Updated Templates</u> – The Secretariat to amend the Change Proposal Form template in-line with Panel's views expressed during and within the minutes of the October 2023 Panel meeting.</p>	ElectraLink	<p>Update: 15 November 2023: As per Action 207/08, due to competing priorities, this had been deferred and not been progressed this month. KEEP OPEN</p> <p>Update 17 January 2024: This remained ongoing. KEEP OPEN</p> <p>Update 21 February 2024: This was being progressed and was anticipated to be completed before the March 2024 Open Panel Meeting. KEEP OPEN</p>
209/02	<p><u>Accession Applications</u>: The Secretariat would Progress the Accession Application for (1) Fulmar Services Limited; and (2) Radius contracting Limited, pending confirmation of a live MPID or Radius Contracting Limited, by advising the DCUSA Board that the Panel have instructed them to countersign the Accession Application.</p>	ElectraLink	<p>Update 17 January 2024: Something was delaying the receipt of a live MPID for Radius Contracting Limited. LEAVE OPEN</p> <p>Update 21 February 2024: This was being progressed and a discussion was anticipated with the REC Code Manager before the March 2024 Open Panel Meeting. KEEP OPEN</p>
211/05	<p><u>AoB 'Updating Biographies and Photographs on the DCUSA website'</u>: The Secretariat to provide links to the relevant areas of the website containing Panel member biographies and photographs and ask Panel members to review and where necessary, provide updated biographies and photographs to the Secretariat for inclusion on the DCUSA website.</p>	ElectraLink	<p>Update 21 February 2024: This was being progressed but four Panel Members had not responded to the request. KEEP OPEN.</p>

212/01	<u>Initial Assessments:</u> The Secretariat to: (1) progress DCP 434 'Credit Cover RAV in ED-2' to the Change Report Phase; (2) progress DCP 435 'Party Novation Process v2' to the Change Report Phase; (3) subject to a single proposer being agreed, progress DCP 436 'Date Change for the provision of Rota Load Block Alpha Identifiers' to the Definition Phase and to set up a Working Group in order to further refine the proposed solution; and (4) subject to Ofgem confirming that this could proceed without impacting upon the DUoS SCR, progress DCP 437 'To Shorten The DUoS Pricing Notice Periods' to the Definition Phase and to set up a Working Group in order to further refine the proposed solution.	ElectraLink	
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212/06	<u>DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan:</u> The Secretariat to add the Ofgem Consultation on SoLR Offset Levy to the Horizon Scan	ElectraLink	

Closed Actions – Open Session

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209/04	<u>AoB Item 1: 'Rota Disconnections'</u> : The Secretariat to draft a letter formally complaining about the gaps in Rota Disconnections data and circulate to the Panel for comment and approval, before sending it to the Chair for signing and issue.	ElectraLink	Update: 17 January 2024: Letter has been circulated, currently being amended based on Panel comments. KEEP OPEN Update 21 February 2024: This had been drafted and would be tabled for discussion in the February 2024 Closed Panel Session. CLOSED
211/01	<u>Initial Assessments</u> : The Secretariat to progress DCP 433 'Limitation for backdating of rebates / charges under Schedule 32' to the Definition Phase and to set up a Working Group in order to further refine the proposed solution.	ElectraLink	Update 21 February 2024: This had been completed. CLOSED
211/02	<u>Change Reports</u> : The Secretariat to: (1) progress DCP 429 'Obtaining an Independent Credit Assessment' to the voting stage; and (2) progress DCP 432 'Amend the Recognised Credit Assessment Agency table in Schedule 1' to the voting stage.	ElectraLink	Update 21 February 2024: This had been completed. CLOSED
211/03	<u>Accession Applications</u> : The Secretariat to progress the Accession Application for Fusion Elec Limited, by drafting and sending to the applicant an Accession Agreement and advising the DCUSA Board that the Panel have instructed them to countersign the Accession Agreement.	ElectraLink	Update 21 February 2024: This had been completed. CLOSED
211/04	<u>DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan</u> : The Secretariat would review the DCUSA requirements with regards to references to circulating communications by Fax, with the aim of progressing a review to remove Fax communications as a communication method.	ElectraLink	Update 21 February 2024: This was tabled for discussion as part of the Housekeeping Log item in the February 2024 Open Panel. CLOSED
211/06	<u>AoB 'DCUSA Disputes Committee'</u> : The Secretariat to circulate information about the terms of reference and process for Panel members to stand in as Disputes Committee members where quoracy would otherwise be an issue.	ElectraLink	Update 21 February 2024: A suitable volunteer had been coopted and this meeting had taken place. CLOSED