

Meeting Session	DCUSA Panel (Open Session)
Paper Reference	Panel_2024_0417_02_Initial Assessment Paper: DCP 439
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, one Change Proposal (CP) has been received by the Secretariat.
- 1.3 The CP has been assessed by the Secretariat in accordance with Clause 10.11 of the DCUSA, and the Secretariat believes that the CP has met the requirements set out in the DCUSA. Therefore, the Secretariat has prepared a set of recommendations for consideration by the Panel.

### 2. Change Proposal Received

- 2.1 The table below details the CP that has been received by the DCUSA Secretariat. The views of the Proposer 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 point below.
  - It is the view of the Proposer of DCP 439 that it be classed as a Standard Change and a Part 1 Matter;
- 2.2 Taking into account the view of the Proposer above, the DCUSA Panel should, with reference to DCUSA Clause 9.4 and 10.7, determine whether, in their opinion, the 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 439	Backdating Tariff Changes	Eastern Power Networks	Part 1 Matter	1 April 2025	Schedule 16	CDCM	This change proposal aims to add a sensible backstop to backdating.

### 3. Progression of the Change Proposal

#### **DCP 439 'Backdating Tariff Changes'**

- 3.1 ElectraLink recommends that DCP 439 is treated as a Part 1 Matter and that it be progressed to the Definition Phase in accordance with the timetable set out in the table below:

Activity	Target Date
Initial Assessment Report	17 April 2024
Consultation Issued to Industry Participants	May 2024
Change Report Approved by Panel	21 August 2024

Change Report issued for Voting	22 August 2024
Party Voting Closes	12 September 2024
Change Declaration Issued to Parties	16 September 2024
Change Declaration Issued to Authority	16 September 2024

## 4. Recommendations

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4.1 For DCP 439 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 439 should be treated as a Part 1 Matter;
- **AGREE** that DCP 439 should be progressed to the Definition Phase via a Working Group 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 3.1 above.

## 5. Attachments

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- Attachment 1 – DCP 439 Change Proposal Form

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