

DCP 436 Working Group Meeting 04

07 May 2024 at 13:00 - Web-Conference

Attendee	Company
Working Group Members	
Emily Waters [EW]	BUUK
Frank Shackelford [FS]	SSE
Paul Nicholson [PN]	NPg
Sam Townend [ST]	ENWL
Samuel Fisher [SF]	Energy Networks
Victoria Burkett [VB]	SSE
Code Administrator	
Craig Booth [CB]	Chair
Hannah Proffitt [HP]	Secretariat

Apologies

Attendee	Company
Working Group Members	
Megan Goss [MG]	Indigo Networks

1. Administration

Recording

- 1.1 The Chair asked members if they were comfortable for this Working Group to be recorded. No members objected to this request. The purpose of this recording is purely to aid the Technical Secretariat in producing an accurate report of the meeting. The recording will be deleted after 15 Working Days.

Apologies

- 1.2 Apologies are noted in the table above.

Competition Law Guidance and Terms of Reference

- 1.3 The Working Group reviewed the “Competition Law Guidance” and “Terms of Reference”. All Working Group members agreed to be bound by the Competition Law Guidance for the duration of the meeting and agreed to the Terms of Reference.

Action Log

- 1.4 Updates are provided in the Action Log within the appendix.

Minutes of the previous meeting

- 1.5 The Chair asked members if they had any feedback on the minutes. There were no comments from the Working Group.

2. Purpose of the Meeting

- 2.1 The Chair set out that the purpose of the meeting was to review the solution and legal text, and to review the draft Change Report.

3. Agree DCP 436 Solution and Legal Text

- 3.1 The Working Group reviewed the draft legal text and considered the timelines.
- 3.2 The Chair clarified that the proposal was to amend the dates to move the entire process, however that there was also an action to understand whether there was scope to amend the intervals between the steps.
- 3.3 The Working Group discussed the balance between allowing DNOs enough time to cut the data as accurately as possible, and the need for customers to receive their identifiers ahead of the winter risk period.
- 3.4 PN asked whether amending the date the data is provided to the NCC to 31 August would address the concerns of Suppliers or whether this needed bringing forward a further month. VB highlighted that customers receiving their identifiers in November does not cover the whole of the winter risk period, however that January and February are the higher risk months. VB noted that it is more likely that November would be accepted than December.

- 3.5 FS agreed that they were happy for an amendment of two months. FS questioned whether, if the initial proposal was to shift the entire process rather than the intervals between steps, that the 01 of December date should be 01 of January, to mirror the current three-month interval. ST confirmed that the initial proposal was to shorten the interval and for the date to be 01 of December, to account for the main winter risk period being January and February.
- 3.6 ST asked VB if they felt that shortening that period would be possible for Suppliers. VB agreed that it should be, noting that as soon as the data is available it is sent to the relevant team for them to upload and that there are only time issues if there are data quality problems that need to be resolved.
- 3.7 The group agreed that the wider process should be looked at and data quality reviewed, however that this is outside the scope of the current Working Group.
- 3.8 The Working Group reviewed the legal text and agreed the following amendments:
- Paragraph 13.1, the date that the Company will provide data to the Nominated Central Source will be by 31 August;
 - Paragraph 13.2, the date that the Nominated Central Source will provide the data to the Secretariat will be by 30 September;
 - Paragraph 13.2, the date that the Secretariat will publish the data on its website will be by the second working day of October;
 - Paragraph 13.3, the 12-month period during which Suppliers notify customers of their Rota Load Block Alpha Identifier will commence on 1 November; and
 - Paragraph 13.3, the last sentence has been updated to refer to the October and November dates amended above.
- 3.9 The group noted that these dates could still be amended following IDNO and DNO discussions on 09 May. ST agreed to provide an update to the Chair following these discussions.
- 3.10 The Chair agreed to send the legal text to Gowlings for an urgent legal review straight after the meeting and to issue the Change Report to the DCUSA Panel the following day. The Chair agreed to advise the DCUSA Panel of the caveat that the dates were going to be discussed by DNOs and IDNOs on 09 May.
- 3.11 The group highlighted that, if the standard change process timelines were followed and the change was not approved, there would not be enough time for DNOs to follow the current process and that a derogation would need to be requested.
- 3.12 The group discussed the timelines and agreed to ask the DCUSA Panel for a compressed voting period of 10WD. The proposed timeline is as follows.
- Change Report presented to the DCUSA Panel – 15 May 2024
 - Change Report issued for voting - 15 May 2024

- Part Voting closes (compressed voting window of 10WD) – 30 May 2024
- Change Declaration issued to Parties – 31 May 2024

3.13 VB noted that the June DCUSA Panel meeting is on 19 June 2024 and asked whether there would be enough time to submit a derogation if the change is rejected. The Chair agreed to investigate the process and the possibility of the derogation being submitted as a late paper. VB also highlighted the possibility that the derogation is not approved by the Panel.

3.14 *Post meeting note – in order to be considered at the June Panel meeting, a derogation would need to be received by 28 May, as the derogation would need to be issued to Parties for a period of 10WDs to allow for any representations to be made and to be included with the final agenda and Panel papers on 12 June. The outcome of voting will not be clear until 31 May, therefore there could be a need to raise the derogation to the Panel outside of the Panel sessions, if the change is rejected.*

4. Draft DCP 436 Change Report

4.1 The Working Group reviewed the draft Change Report and agreed the redlined amendments. There were no further comments, and the group agreed the final version.

5. Review and Update Work Plan

5.1 As discussed above, the proposed timeline is as follows.

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6. Any Other Business

6.1 No other business was raised.

New and Open Actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
02/02	PN and ST to contact ENA to discuss the potential for the timeline to be clear on how long it takes for each activity.	PN and ST	Action ongoing. ST confirmed that this is due to be discussed on 09 May 2024. An update will be provided following the meeting.
03/02	SV to investigate the feasibility of completing a review of historical data on identifier changes.	SV	Action ongoing. SV not in attendance.
03/03	PN to provide the Chair with a contact from the DESNZ ESO Working Group.	PN	Action ongoing. PN agreed to send this to the Chair.

Closed Actions

Action Ref.		Update	
02/01	Chair to investigate reconvening SIG sub-group to discuss data quality and compliance.	The Chair	Action closed. The Chair advised that the sub group could be reconvened, however that it could be beneficial to reissue the invitation to SIG members. The Chair also suggested that the matter could be re-raised at the SIG. Working Group members to contact the Chair via email if they would like to progress this.
03/01	SF to investigate the possibility of updating the powercut105 website to clarify that it provides the most up to date identifiers.	SF	Action closed. SF advised that this is possible and agreed to progress this outside of the Working Group.