

DCP 437 Working Group Meeting 02

03 June 2024 at 10:00 - Web-Conference

Attendee	Company
Working Group Members	
Chris Ong [CO]	UKPN
David Wornell [DW]	National Grid
Edda Dirks [ED]	SSE
Emma Clark [EC]	SSEN
Kara Burke [KB]	NPg
Monique Pereira [MP]	Indigo Networks
Rustam Ellis-Majainah [REM]	OVO
Victoria Burkett [VB]	SSE
Code Administrator	
Richard Colwill [RC]	Chair
Hannah Proffitt [HP]	Secretariat

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 No apologies were received ahead of the meeting.

Competition Law Guidance and Terms of Reference

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

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

- 1.4 The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed, ED suggested the following amendments:
- Attendee Table - Amend EC’s Company to ‘SSEN’.
 - Section 4.1 – Amend ‘12 months’ to ‘13 months’.
 - Section 4.3 – Amend to ‘PCFM licence change’ to add clarity.
 - Section 4.4 – Amend to ‘PCFM consultation’ to add clarity.
- 1.5 The group agreed with these amendments. An updated version of the minutes is included as **Attachment 1**.
- 1.6 ED questioned whether CMP 244¹ was discussed at the previous meeting and suggested that if so, a reference is added to Section 4.12.
- 1.7 The Secretariat agreed to check the meeting recording and to add this to the minutes if necessary.

Action 02/01 – Secretariat to check recording of previous meeting for references to CMP 244 and add to minutes if necessary.

Action Log

- 1.8 The Action Log can be found in the Appendix.
- 1.9 Regarding Action 01/01, KB advised that she had spoken to Lee Wells who confirmed that concerns were raised during the PCFM consultation however that there is no documentation. KB confirmed that consultation responses are available online but are difficult to search through as they are published separately.
- 1.10 The Proposer suggested that these are no longer relevant anyway as there is a current issue that the change seeks to address. ED noted that they were keen to understand Ofgem’s reasoning for going ahead with the 15 months notice period in the PCFM licence change considering the impact it would have. The group agreed to close the action.
- 1.11 Regarding Action 01/02, the Chair confirmed that this was complete, and that the information had been added to the consultation. The group agreed to close the action.

¹ CMP 244 - Set final TNUoS tariffs at least 15 months ahead of each charging year

2. Purpose of the Meeting

- 2.1 The Chair set out that the purpose of the meeting was for the Working Group to review the draft consultation and consider next steps.

3. Review Draft Consultation

- 3.1 The Chair presented the draft consultation to the Working Group and members reviewed and discussed. A redlined version, including the amendments agreed during the meeting is included as **Attachment 2**. A summary of decisions is as follows:

- Section 1 – wording added for clarity. Section 1.3 updated to include reference to the 13 months' notice for IDNOs and DNOs acting outside of that DNOs Party's Distribution Service Area.
- Section 3 – updated to remove duplicated information and to provide further background.
- Section 5 – removed reference to Action 01/01 as this is now closed. Added reference to CMP 244. Included reference to rejection dates and linked decision documents for CMP 244 and CMP 256.
- Questions 3 and 4 – updated to include IDNOs and out of area DNOs.
- Section 6 – removed the DCUSA General Objectives. Paragraph added to summarise which objectives are better facilitated and how.

- 3.2 Regarding the Legal Text, the group discussed whether a housekeeping amendment could also be made to remove dates which are now irrelevant. The Chair agreed to add a note when sending the text for legal review.

Action 02/02 – Chair to ask Gowling about removing unnecessary dates in the legal text when sending for legal review.

- 3.3 One member suggested that a review of the whole code could be completed, and a housekeeping modification raised to amend any similar issues elsewhere. The Chair agreed to raise this internally.

Action 02/03 – Chair to raise suggestion of a DCUSA housekeeping change internally.

4. Next Steps and Work Plan

- 4.1 The Chair agreed to circulate the draft consultation to members following the meeting. Members agreed to review this and submit any comments by COB on Wednesday 05 June. The Chair agreed to issue the consultation to industry on Thursday 06 June providing the document has been finalised.
- 4.2 The Working Group will meet again on Tuesday 09 July 2024 at 10am to review consultation responses.

5. Any Other Business

5.1 No other business was raised.

Attachments

- Attachment 1 - DCP 437 Working Group Meeting 01 Draft Minutes v2.0
- Attachment 2 - DCP 437_Consultation v0.2 Tracked

New and Open Actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
02/01	Secretariat to check recording of previous meeting for references to CMP 244 and add to minutes if necessary.	HP	New Action.
02/02	Chair to ask Gowling about removing unnecessary dates in the legal text when sending for legal review.	RC	New Action.
02/03	Chair to raise suggestion of a DCUSA housekeeping change internally.	RC	New Action.

Closed Actions

Action Ref.		Update	
01/01	KB to contact Lee Wells to ask whether the consultation responses are available to be shared with the Working Group.	KB	Action complete. Lee Wells contacted but no documentation available.
01/02	DW and REM agreed to provide the secretariat with a summary of the DNO and Supplier processes and timescales.	DW and REM	Action complete. Information added to the consultation.