

DCUSA Panel Meeting 219 (Open Session)

18 September 2024 at 10:00am

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Apologies		

1. Administration

Permission to record Meeting

- 1.1 The Panel RESOLVED to record this meeting to aid the Technical Secretariat in producing an accurate report of the meeting. The recording will be deleted once the minutes for the meeting are approved.

Welcomes and Introductions

- 1.2 The Chair welcomed all attendees to the meeting.

Apologies

- 1.3 It was NOTED that no 'Apologies' had been received.

Non-Confidential Minutes

- 1.4 The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and the Panel NOTED a minor amendment, being that in paragraph 5.1 the phrase 'as set out below' was superfluous and should be deleted.
- 1.5 The Panel RESOLVED to amend the minutes accordingly and, with the exception of the agreed amendment, 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 open session Panel meeting 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 MDW provided the Panel with a verbal update on BSC related topics. Points raised included:
- Elexon Ownership change: as of 01 October 2024, Elexon would cease to be owned by the National Grid and would instead be owned by the 13 largest BSC parties. This would coincide with the name change of National Grid Electricity System Operator (NGESO) to National Energy System Operator (NESO).
 - P474 'Governance, funding and operation of the Data Integration Platform (DIP)' had been approved by Ofgem on 11 September 2024 and will be implemented on 1 October 2024.
 - P478 'Implementation of MHHS Arrangements' was out for consultation until 13 October 2024.
 - A workgroup has been set up to consider Issue 114 'Settlement of ABSVD for ancillary services delivered through independent aggregators', which was raised with the intent of considering various issues with the current arrangements. Any parties interested in joining the workgroup were invited to contact Elexon.
- 2.2 The Panel questioned if there was the potential for a 5-month delay to the MHHS Milestones, and whether that means the start of the transition period would move from April 2025 to August 2025, to which MDW confirmed a MHHS Change Request has been raised that would have this effect if it is approved by Ofgem.
- 2.3 The Panel NOTED the BSC update.

Ofgem

2.4 NH provided the Panel with a verbal update on Ofgem related topics, which included:

- an update on the Expected Decision Dates ('EDD') for all DCUSA Change Proposals (DCPs) that were currently with the Authority for decision, including:
 - DCP 417 'Ability for the DCUSA Secretariat to Raise Change Proposals': the EDD remained 30 October 2024.
 - DCP 433 'Limitation for backdating of rebates/charges under Schedule 32': the EDD was 8 November 2024.
 - DCP 441 'Proposal to increase the number of allowed Change Report alternative variations from two to three': the EDD remained 6 December 2024.
 - DCP 438 'Rate of Return Change Proposal': the EDD was 11 December 2024, to which the Panel NOTED that this timescale would have detrimental impact upon the processes of DNOs when setting tariffs by the end of December and asked if there was a possibility of bringing this forward to closer to mid-October. NH agreed to discuss this with relevant Ofgem personnel.
 - DCP 425 'Cost Apportionment Factor "cap" Methodology': Ofgem had approved this DCP on 17 September 2024.
- an update on Energy Code Reform, including:
 - that on 22 August 2024, Ofgem published their [energy code reform: implementation decision](#), which also included a final impact assessment on code consolidation and a report of the modification process workgroups (MPW) that had taken place so far.
 - that with respect to Ofgem's [joint consultation](#) with DESNZ, covering code manager licensing and secondary legislation, they expect that the Government response to this consultation will be published later this year.
 - that the final MPW session was held on 17 September. The discussion included the new direct code change power and how the code modification process might need to change to accommodate Ofgem using this process. It also looked at the significant code review process, including possible roles for the code manager. How transitioning to a code manager could impact the modification process and the roles Ofgem / code Panels / incoming code manager could take were also discussed. The session also considered whether or not an updated process should place a limit on the number of alternative modifications able to be raised and looked at detailed operational elements of Stakeholder Advisory Forum, e.g. quoracy. Lastly, it discussed the role of the Competition and Markets Authority appeal route on Ofgem code modifications decisions.

2.5 The Panel NOTED the Ofgem update.

Smart Energy Code (SEC)

2.6 LM provided the Panel with a verbal update on SEC related topics. She NOTED none of the current SEC code changes would have any cross-code impacts.

Retail Energy Code (REC)

- 2.7 LM presented the REC change update paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0918_01). The paper was taken as read. LM highlighted the following key points:
- an overview of the latest discussions of the CCSG where cross code impacts had been identified;
 - that the Change Issues Group would meet on 3 October 2024 and would be considering several topics that the Panel may be interested in, including REC Issue I0172 'New Build - Commissioning Process Review' where wide ranging industry responses had been received and the Change Issues Group will confirm plan for review of the responses.
 - there is also a plan to hold a separate Change Issues Group related to REC Issue I0200 'Improving Address Management Targets' which has some cross over with the discussions to be had related to REC Issue I0172, and that the date was still to be confirmed but currently anticipated for 7 October 2024.
 - that R0207 'Import / Export MOA Charging Clarification' has been raised is related to BSC Modification P459 'Allowing Different Supplier agents to be appointed to Import and Export MSIDs' but that the potential solution for R0207 only resolves one of the issues flagged in P459.
- 2.8 The Panel SCRUTINISED the REC update. In respect of Action 217/05, LM advised that approximately 70 companies had initiated SIP applications with REC and stated that she would seek additional information about these to see if any insights about the process could be gained.
- 2.9 The Panel NOTED the REC update.

3. Matters Arising

- 3.1 There were two Matters Arising.

DCP 421 'Update the Tables in schedule 15 of DCUSA'

- 3.2 DT NOTED that the Change Report for DCP 421 had been amended as agreed during the last meeting and subsequently issued to the Panel for ex-committee approval, and that the Panel had approved for the Change Report to be issued to Parties for voting.

DCP 439 'Backdating Tariff Changes'

- 3.3 DT NOTED that the Change Report for DCP 439 had been amended as agreed during the last meeting and subsequently issued to the Panel for ex-committee approval, and that the Panel had approved for the Change Report to be issued to Parties for voting.

4. Change Register

- 4.1 DT presented the Change Register updates to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0918_02). The paper was taken as read. DT 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.
- 4.2 DT presented the Status Change Tab and highlighted key points:

- DCP 442 'Aligning enduring flexible connections': A Request for Information had been issued – he NOTED that this development had happened within the last week, so this update was not in the circulated pack.
- DCP 443 'Excess Capacity': this had been issued for consultation.
- DCP 437 'To Shorten the DUoS Pricing Notice Periods': the Change Report was tabled for decision later in the Open Panel meeting.
- DCP 440 'Consuming "de-energised" sites' had been delayed as the intent had been to provide the Change Report to the Panel during the September meeting. AG noted that he had spoken with the proposer and had been advised that amendments were being made in response to the working group's comments, and that a further meeting was scheduled for 20 September 2024. The Panel NOTED that DCP 440 had been originally scheduled for the August Panel, so had now been delayed twice.
- DCP 421 'Update the Tables in schedule 15 of DCUSA': the status of DCP 421 had moved to 'Voting' and that the voting period had ended which meant that a Change Declaration would be issued shortly.
- DCP 439 'Backdating Tariff Changes': the status of DCP 439 had moved to 'Voting' and that the voting period had ended which meant that a Change Declaration would be issued shortly.
- DCP 425 'Cost Apportionment Factor "cap" Methodology': following Ofgem's approval, this was Awaiting Implementation.

4.3 DT Presented the Timetable Tab and highlighted key points:

- DT NOTED that, as per Action 217/01, the layout and format of the timetable tracker had been updated to make it easier to read and explained the changes. The Panel NOTED their support for the new format as it improved legibility
- DCP 423 'LDNO Discounts for negative scaling': this had been delayed due to the working group having identified some unexpected problems with the modelling.
- DCP 420 'Include Car Charging Stations In The Definition For Non Final Demand': this was likely to require two consultations: the first to confirm the broad principles and would be issued shortly; and the second would be informed by the first and define a solution, and was likely to be issued in November 2024. The Change Report was anticipated to be available in December 2024 or January 2025.
- DCP 419 'Pre-notification of Planned Supply De-energisations': this had been delayed by two months.
- DCP 412 'Discounts from TCR charges for 'peaky' final demand customers': due to the need to review responses in depth, this the Change Report was delayed until October 2024.

4.4 The Panel NOTED the Change Register updates.

5. Initial Assessments

- 5.1 DT presented the Initial Assessment Cover Paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0918_03). The paper was taken as read. It was NOTED that there were two new Change Proposals for Initial Assessment by the Panel this month., as set out below.

DCP 444 'Additional Settlement Runs'

- 5.2 DCP 444 seeks to describe how settlement runs, that will cause Supercustomer DUoS Reports (REP-002/A/B) to be created and sent under MHHS, that were not previously created as D0030/D0314 flows, will be handled.
- 5.3 DCP 444 was proposed to be progressed as an Urgent Change and Part 2 Matter.
- 5.4 The Panel SCRUTINISED DCP 444 and queried why this needed to be progressed as an Urgent Change. PW, who was the Proposer, explained that this needed to be implemented ahead of MHHS go-live.
- 5.5 The Panel RESOLVED to:
- ACCEPT the referral of the DCP 444;
 - AGREE that DCP 444 should be treated as a 'Urgent' Change;
 - AGREE that DCP 444 should be treated as a Part 2 Matter;
 - AGREE that DCP 444 should be progressed to the Definition Phase via a Working Group to further refine the proposed solution; and
 - AGREE the progression of DCP 444 in accordance with the proposed timescale.

DCP 445 'Implementation of Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) Arrangements'

- 5.6 DCP 445 will ensure that the appropriate obligations, processes and provisions for the new MHHS arrangements, which have been developed and consulted on as part of the MHHS Programme, are introduced into the DCUSA
- 5.7 This was an Authority Directed change, raised by Ofgem, as an Urgent Change and Part 1 Matter.
- 5.8 JB from Ofgem NOTED that DCP 445 had been developed over 18 months and thanked everybody that had helped to develop this to its current state.
- 5.9 The Panel SCRUTINISED DCP 445 and RESOLVED to:
- ACCEPT the referral of DCP 445;
 - AGREE that DCP 445 should be treated as a 'Urgent' Change;
 - AGREE that DCP 445 should be treated as a Part 1 Matter;
 - AGREE that DCP 445 should be progressed to the Change Report Phase; and
 - NOTE that the progression of DCP 445 would be in accordance with the proposed timescale.

219/01 Initial Assessments: The Secretariat to progress: DCP 444 'Additional Settlement Runs', to the Definition phase and to set up a Working Group to further refine the proposed solution and (2) DCP 445 'Implementation of Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) Arrangements', to the Change Report phase.

6. Change Reports

- 6.1 DT presented the Change Report Cover Paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0918_04. It was noted that one Change Report was being tabled for approval this month.

DCP 437 'To Shorten the DUoS Pricing Notice Periods'

- 6.2 The Panel SCRUTINISED DCP 437, and in doing so, requested the following two amendments:

- For CVA Registrants to be added to the list of Impacted Parties; and
- To make the minor typographical changes to paragraph 1.2 as set out below:

1.2 Final DUoS Charges are set with a deadline of 31st December for the prices due for implementation in April 15 months later. New license conditions introduced for RIIO-ED2 mean that DNOs receive the PCFM, which determines the allowed revenue and the rate of return for the EDCM and CDCM prices, at the end of November. DNOs check this PCFM, complete their inputs into the model, and return to it to Ofgem, who have 14 days to decide if they would like to make further changes. If Ofgem do decide to make changes, DNOs will have minimal time to apply any changes and the tariff assurance process could be compromised. Ofgem recommended but did not mandate ~~that they expressed a wish for~~ the SOLR final decision, published in December 2023, ~~to be reflected in final charges for tariffs from April 2025, to be reflected in final charges~~ resulting in additional work required within a restrictive timescale. Delaying the publication of DUoS charges will allow DNOs more time to apply their assurance processes.

- 6.3 It was noted that the above amendments were carried out on screen during the meeting and following that process the Panel RESOLVED to:

- AGREE that the Change Report contains the level of information required to enable Parties to understand the impact of the proposed amendments and to vote on the CP;
- AGREE that the Parties eligible to vote on the CP will be those that are set out as Impacted Parties within the Change Report;
- AGREE that the voting period for the CP should be 10 working days, and NOTED that this should be clearly flagged in the cover email; and
- APPROVE the Change Report for issue to Parties on 19 September 2024.

219/02 Change Reports: For DCP 437 'To Shorten the DUoS Pricing Notice Periods', the Secretariat to issue the amended Change Report to Parties for a period of 10 Working Days and to ensure the shortened voting period is clearly communicated to Parties.

7. Housekeeping Log

- 7.1 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_0918_05. The paper was taken as read. It was noted that the paper detailed that one new housekeeping item had been identified and provisionally added to the log, pending approval of its inclusion by the Panel.

- 7.2 DT explained that a Party had identified duplicate text in paragraphs 104 and 105 of Schedule 16 and that following some investigation it was found that these paragraphs had been added by DCPs 332 and 333. DT noted that at the time, DCP 332 and DCP 333 were similar in nature and were progressed alongside each other but attempted to account for a scenario where one was approved and the other not and that this was how the duplicate paragraphs had come into existence.
- 7.3 DT highlighted that upon searching through the DCUSA, it appears as though there are a couple of references to paragraphs 100 to 104 of Schedule 16 but none that point towards paragraph 105 and thus the suggestion is that paragraph 105 in Schedule 16 can safely be removed.
- 7.4 The Panel SCRUTINISED the Housekeeping Log and RESOLVED to add the new item 'Duplicate text in paragraphs 104 and 105 of Schedule 16' to the Housekeeping Log.

219/03 Housekeeping Log: The Secretariat to add the new item 'Duplicate text in paragraphs 104 and 105 of Schedule 16' to the Housekeeping Log.

- 7.5 The Panel NOTED that no other Housekeeping Items had been identified by either the Secretariat or by any other Party.

8. Accession Applications

- 8.1 DT presented the Accession Applications paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0918_06). The paper was taken as read. It was noted that the paper detailed a total of five new Accession Applications had been received and progressed to the Panel for approval. The five Accession Applications were for the following companies and Party Categories:
- Aurora Utilities Limited: in the Party Category of Independent Distribution Network Operator;
 - Charged Electric Vehicles Limited: in the Party Category of Safe Isolation Provider;
 - Utility Assets Limited: in the Party Category of Independent Distribution Network Operator;
 - Smart Choice Metering Limited: in the Party Category of Safe Isolation Provider; and
 - Voltari Services Limited: in the Party Category of Safe Isolation Provider.
- 8.2 The Panel SCRUTINISED the Accession Applications and RESOLVED to APPROVE each Accession Application and instructed the Secretariat to prepare and issue an Accession Agreement for each applicant and advise the Board that the Panel have recommended that they countersign each Accession Agreement on behalf of all Parties.

219/04 Accession Applications: The Secretariat to progress the Accession Applications for: (1) Aurora Utilities Limited; (2) Charged Electric Vehicles Limited; (3) Utility Assets Limited (4) Smart Choice Metering Limited and (5) Voltari Services Limited by drafting and sending the applicant an Accession Agreement and advising the DCUSA Board that the Panel have recommended that they countersign each Accession Agreement.

9. Derogation Request

- 9.1 DT presented the Derogation Request to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0918_07). The paper was taken as read.
- 9.2 DT explained that the Derogation request was essentially the same as one that was requested by the DNO/IDNO Parties at the same point in time in 2023. DT noted that it relates to the implementation of

DCP 389 'TCR – Clarification on Exceptional Circumstances and Allocation Review for 'New' Sites' on 01 April 2023. DCP 389 introduced a process for an annual allocation review of any new Final Demand Sites as well as those Final Demand Sites which were initially allocated to a Residual Charging Band based on no recorded data (i.e., by using a best guess approach). The process obliges DNOs/IDNOs to potentially backdate rebates/charges past a point which is realistically possible/practical. This was picked up in 2023, when DNOs/IDNOs completed the process for the first time, and a derogation was granted at the time. One of the conditions of the Derogation that the Panel imposed was a requirement for a Change Proposal to be raised to 'codify' the proposed way forward. DT explained that this requirement was actioned and that DCP 433 'Limitation for backdating of rebates/charges under Schedule 32' was raised as a result but that it is now with the Authority for a decision, with a provisional date for the decision of 8 November 2024, which is too late for the reallocations due in September 2024.

9.3 The Panel SCRUTINISED the Derogation Request, and in doing so, sought confirmation of the timeframe that was imposed by the Panel for the same Derogation Request that they approved in 2023. DT advised that the derogation from 2023 had included a 6-month limitation, as the Panel had set out that the Derogation was to apply until 31 March 2024.

9.4 Following consideration of the Derogation Request, the Panel:

- NOTED that all representations received were supportive of the Derogation Request;
- AGREED to grant a Derogation to all the DNO/IDNO Parties as per the Derogation Application; and
- AGREED to that the Derogation will only be in place until 31 March 2025, as that would be expected to be more than enough time for Ofgem to have made a decision on DCP 433.

9.5 Further to the above, one Panel member noted that the topic of the process around the Annual Allocation Review had been raised during a recent DCMDG meeting and that a subgroup had been formed to carry out a 'lessons learned' exercise. It was noted that this related to the provision of data provided by DNOs and IDNOs to Suppliers, and that in the previous year, the data had been provided in very inconsistent formats and not always containing the data as set out in the DCUSA. The Panel member noted that after an initial meeting of the sub-group, there hasn't been any further progress and requested an update. DT acknowledged that this had slipped in terms of the intended timeframe but that in lieu of progress with the sub-group that he had added a description and overview of the requirements into an email and requested for DNOs and IDNOs to use a common approach that was set out in the email. The Panel member requested a copy of this email and DT agreed to provide it to the Panel member

219/05 Derogation Request: The Secretariat to circulate the email issued to Contract Managers regarding the provision of Annual Allocation Review data to VB.

10. 2024 Panel Elections

10.1 DT presented the 2024 Panel Elections paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0918_09). The paper was taken as read. DT confirmed which Panel Members would be up for re-election this year and summarised the process.

10.2 DT NOTED that elections to the Disputes Committee would be run in parallel.

- 10.3 The Panel SCRUTINISED the 2024 Panel Elections paper and in doing so suggested that with respect to the general Panel election, that this should be highlighted and nominations invited during the monthly post-panel call and that with respect to the Disputes Committee elections, that this should be highlighted and nominations invited during the next DCMDG.

219/06 2024 Panel Elections: The Secretariat to progress the (1) 2024 Panel Elections and (2) 2024 Disputes Committee election processes in accordance with the agreed timescale, and to flag these elections and invite nominations at the monthly post-Panel call and at DCMDG.

11. DCMDG Headline Report

- 11.1 DT presented the DCMDG Headline Report to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0918_09). The paper was taken as read.
- 11.2 DT highlighted that apart from the standard agenda items, the Panel may have been interested to know that a new issue had been raised. It was noted that this issue was with respect to import capacity charges for storage facilities, where those charges have recently increased quite substantially and are causing operators of storage facilities to consider whether they can continue to operate. DT explained that the DCMDG members had discussed whether a change in this space could be raised given it would likely interact with the ongoing DUoS SCR. DT further noted that the Ofgem representative at the meeting had indicated that, if there was a defect in the charging methodology then raising a DCP would likely be acceptable but that if it was seeking to redesign the methodology and not just correct a defect then it would be less likely to be acceptable. DT explained that the discussion on what category such a change may sit under was going to be considered by a subgroup.
- 11.3 The Panel NOTED the DCMDG Headline Report.

12. IWG Headline Report

- 12.1 RC presented a verbal IWG Headline Report to the Panel. RC explained that the main discussion item during the last IWG was related to some recent instances of phenolic cutouts being found on sites. RC noted that the IWG had written an interim safety bulletin and formed a subgroup to investigate further and had also agreed to review the existing guidance to see if this was still fit for purpose.
- 12.2 The Panel NOTED the IWG Headline Report.

13. SIG Headline Report

- 13.1 RC presented the SIG Headline Report to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0918_10). The paper was taken as read. RC highlighted that during the last SIG meeting, members discussed the recent Embedded Capacity Register (ECR) change request notice that the Panel considered during their meeting in August and had sent to the SIG for further consideration.
- 13.2 RC explained that members discussed the upcoming changes to the Long Term Development Statements (LTDS) and how these might be incorporated within the ECR but agreed that additional work was required and so had resolved to wait until after the DNOs had completed the second phase of the LTDS work, in May 2025, and then revisit the ECR so that it would be up to date. While this would probably require a new change notice, this workplan would ensure better alignment with the ECR and LTDS at that point.

13.3 The Panel NOTED the SIG Headline Report.

14. DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan

14.1 DT presented the DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2024_0918_11). The paper was taken as read.

14.2 DT highlighted a number of additions and changes to the Horizon Scan, including:

- Ofgem had published a call for input on managing the effects of surplus residual charges
- The MHHS item would need to be updated in light of the latest Ofgem announcements.
- BEIS Smart Systems and Flexibility Plan: this had been updated to reflect Ofgem's consultation, which had recently closed.
- Energy Code Reform: Ofgem had now formerly confirmed via their Code Reform consultation decision that CUSC and DCUSA would be consolidated.
- Flexibility Market Facilitator: Elexon had now been confirmed as taking on this role.
- FSO Cross Code Change Programme: this had been updated to reflect latest publications and planned implementation date.
- Ofgem Data Best Practice Letter: this had been updated to reflect the latest activity.

14.3 The Panel SCRUTINISED the DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan and noted that they were comfortable with the changes made. One Panel member noted that Ofgem's recent publication related to their review of Standing Charges for domestic customers did touch on network charges and so there may be an impact to the DCUSA that falls out of this item. The Panel AGREED to add this item to the Horizon Scan.

219/07 DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan: The Secretariat to add an item related to Ofgem's review of Standing Charges for domestic customers to the Monthly Horizon Scan.

14.4 The Panel APPROVED the updated DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan.

15. Any Other Business

15.1 No items of Other Business were raised.

16. Date of next meeting: 16 October 2024 at 10.00am

16.1 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
217/05	<u>IWG Headline Report:</u> The Secretariat to approach REC and request information on incomplete or abandoned SIP applications to see whether any insights could be gained about companies that had initiated but not completed the SIP Accession Process.	ElectraLink	Update 21 August 2024: The Secretariat are currently in contact with the relevant staff at REC to discuss this. KEEP OPEN Update 18 September 2024: The REC update advised that there were cf.70 SIP Applications currently being progressed and the Secretariat and the REC Code manager would continue discussions around this. KEEP OPEN
217/07	<u>AoB 2: 'Pre-discussion of Change Proposal in standing groups ahead of submission':</u> The Secretariat to prepare updated guidance on how Change Proposals could be pre-discussed with different standing groups ahead of submission and table proposed wording and updated website text for review and approval at a future Panel Meeting.	ElectraLink	Update 21 August 2024: This has been drafted and will be circulated after the August Panel Meeting for review. KEEP OPEN Update 18 September 2024: this had been drafted and would be circulated after the September Panel Meeting for review. KEEP OPEN
219/01	<u>Initial Assessments:</u> The Secretariat to progress: DCP 444 'Additional Settlement Runs', to the Definition phase and to set up a Working Group to further refine the proposed solution and (2) DCP 445 'Implementation of Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) Arrangements', to the Change Report phase.	ElectraLink	
219/02	<u>Change Reports:</u> For DCP 437 'To Shorten the DUoS Pricing Notice Periods', the Secretariat to issue the amended Change Report to Parties for a period of 10 Working Days and to ensure the shortened voting period is clearly communicated to Parties..	ElectraLink	
219/03	<u>Housekeeping Log:</u> The Secretariat to add the new item 'Duplicate text in paragraphs 104 and 105 of Schedule 16' to the Housekeeping Log.	ElectraLink	
219/04	<u>Accession Applications:</u> The Secretariat to progress the Accession Applications for: (1) Aurora Utilities Limited; (2) Charged Electric Vehicles Limited; (3) Utility Assets Limited (4) Smart Choice Metering Limited and (5) Voltari Services Limited by drafting and sending the applicant an Accession Agreement and advising the DCUSA Board that the Panel have recommended that they countersign each Accession Agreement.	ElectraLink	

219/05	Derogation Requests: The Secretariat to circulate the email issued to Contract Managers regarding the provision of Annual Allocation Review data to VB.	ElectraLink	
219/06	2024 Panel Elections: The Secretariat to progress the (1) 2024 Panel Elections and (2) 2024 Disputes Committee election processes in accordance with the agreed timescale, and to flag these elections and invite nominations at the monthly post-Panel call and at DCMDG.	ElectraLink	
219/07	DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan: The Secretariat to add an item related to Ofgem's review of Standing Charges for domestic customers to the Monthly Horizon Scan.	ElectraLink	

Closed Actions – Open Session

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217/01	<p>Change Register: The Secretariat to consider alternative formats or layouts for presenting the Change Register that would ensure that the Panel were able to review a more up-to-date version in Panel Meetings. Draft alternatives would be presented for review and approval at a future Panel Meeting.</p> <p>Update 21 August 2024: The Panel additionally requested that the coloured cells be moved to the left of the spreadsheet to make it easier for the report to be presented on a single screen.</p>	ElectraLink	<p>Update 21 August 2024: This will be presented at the September Panel Meeting. KEEP OPEN</p> <p>Update 18 September 2024: An amended format was presented at the September 2024 Open Panel Meeting. CLOSED</p>
218/01	Change Reports: The Secretariat to amend the Change Reports for (1) DCP 421, and (2) DCP 439, as agreed, and recirculate the amended versions to the panel for ex-committee approval, and then progress these to the voting phase for a period of 15 days.	ElectraLink	Update 18 September 2024: These had been circulated, approved and progressed. CLOSED
218/02	Accession Applications: The Secretariat to progress the Accession Application for: (1) Fuse Meter Operations Limited and (2) IMServ Europe Limited, by drafting and sending the applicant an Accession Agreement and advising the DCUSA Board that the Panel have instructed them to countersign these Accession Agreement.	ElectraLink	Update 18 September 2024: These had been progressed. CLOSED
218/03	ECR Change Request Notice: The Secretariat would (1) use reasonable endeavours to ascertain if this had been raised in any other forums, and (2) table at the next SIG meeting for progression.	ElectraLink	Update 18 September 2024: This was progressed as agreed. CLOSED