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<h2>DCP 443:</h2> <h2>Excess Capacity</h2> <p>Date Raised: 09/07/2024</p> <p>Proposer Name: Peter Waymont</p> <p>Company Name: Eastern Power Networks</p> <p>Party Category: DNO</p>		01 – Change Proposal
		02 – Consultation
		03 – Change Report
		04 – Change Declaration
<p>Purpose of Change Proposal</p> <p>To drive the correct customer behaviour regarding exceeding capacity.</p>		
	<p>This document is a Request for Information issued to DCUSA Parties and any other interested Parties in accordance with Clause 11.14 of the DCUSA seeking industry views on DCP 443.</p> <p>The Working Group recommends that this Change Proposal should proceed to a request for information.</p> <p>Parties are invited to consider the questions set in section 2 and submit comments using the form attached as Attachment 2 to dcusa@electralink.co.uk by Friday 13 December 2024.</p>	
	<p>Impacted Parties</p> <p>Suppliers/DNOs/IDNOs/CVA Registrants</p>	
	<p>Impacted Clauses</p> <p>Schedules 16/17 and 18</p>	

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Initial Assessment Report	17 July 2024	 +44 1293 657939
Consultation Issued to Industry Participants	13 September 2024	
RFI Issued to Industry Participants	22 November 2024	
Change Report Approved by Panel	15 January 2025	
Change Report issued for Voting	16 January 2025	
Party Voting Closes	06 February 2025	
Change Declaration Issued to Parties/Authority	10 February 2025	
Authority Decision	TBC	

1 Consultation and Subsequent RFI

- 1.1 The Working Group issued a consultation for this change and received responses in September 2024, for which they thank the respondents. If you would like further information on the previous consultation, this can be found at the following link [DCP 443 'Excess Capacity' Consultation](#).
- 1.2 The Working Group reviewed the consultation responses and agreed that they would like some additional information before they can draw their conclusions.
- 1.3 Due to this the Working Group agreed that they would issue a Request For Information (RFI) for further industry input.

Potential customer and supplier impacts, and cost reflectivity

- 1.4 The Working Group discussed the potential customer impacts and costs associated with a site exceeding their capacity.
- 1.5 The Working Group were unsure on whether there were any associated costs/impacts to customers and suppliers when a site exceeds its capacity so they would like industry input as to what those impacts and costs to suppliers and customers could be.

Question 1 – What (if any) impacts, including the types of additional costs, does a customer cause when they exceed their capacity, and under what circumstances?

Question 2 - What are the potential impacts to other customers and suppliers when a site exceeds its capacity?

Analysis and data

- 1.6 One consultation response suggested that analysis of DNO data relating to sites exceeding their capacity could help to quantify the problem and the inform the need for change in the way excess capacity is charged. It was identified that data on exceeded capacity was gathered in an RFI for [DCP 161 Excess Capacity Charges](#), which introduced the differential in agreed and excess capacity tariffs. It was suggested that asking for equivalent data from DNOs now would show if DCP 161 had any impact to customer behaviour and also give a view of how many customers have exceeded their capacity more recently and the scale of the issue.

Question 3 – Could you please populate the template in Attachment 3 with the following data from April 2010 to October 2024:

‘MIC Data’ – Populate:

- Table 1 with the sum of MIC (kVA) per customer group
- Table 2 with the sum of Chargeable Capacity (Max of MIC and MD) per customer group.
- Table 3 and 4 will populate themselves.

‘Customer Numbers’ – Populate:

- Table 1 with the number of sites that exceeded their capacity
- Table 2 with the revenue from exceeded capacity charges
- Table 3 with the total number of sites on tariffs with capacity charges
- Table 4 with the total revenue invoiced to customers on tariffs with capacity charges.

5.13 The Working Group agreed that they would review responses to the RFI before drawing conclusions to the consultation that was issued for this CP in October.

Question 4 – Do you have any other comments?

2 RFI Questions

2.1 The Working Group is seeking industry views on the following RFI questions:

No.	Questions
1	What (if any) impacts, including the types of additional costs, does a customer cause when they exceed their capacity, and under what circumstances?
2	What are the potential impacts to other customers and suppliers when a site exceeds its capacity?
3	<p>Could you please populate the template in Attachment 3 with the following data from April 2010 to October 2024:</p> <p>'MIC Data' – Populate :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Table 1 with the sum of MIC (kVA) per customer group - Table 2 with the sum of Chargeable Capacity (Max of MIC and MD) per customer group. - Table 3 and 4 will populate themselves. <p>'Customer Numbers' – Populate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tables 1 with the number of sites that exceeded their capacity - Table 2 with the revenue from exceeded capacity charges - Table 3 with the total number of sites on tariffs with capacity charges - Table 4 with the total revenue invoiced to customers on tariffs with capacity charges.
4	Do you have any other comments?

2.2 Responses should be submitted using Attachment 2 to dcusa@electralink.co.uk no later than 13 December 2024.

2.3 Responses, or any part thereof, can be provided in confidence. Parties are asked to clearly indicate any parts of a response that are to be treated confidentially.

3 Attachments

- Attachment 1 - DCP 443 Change Proposal Form
- Attachment 2 - DCP 443 RFI Response Form
- Attachment 3 - DCP 443 RFI Response Template