

DCP 440 Working Group Meeting 08

02 December 2024 at 13:00 - Web-Conference

Attendee	Company
Working Group Members	
Chris Ong [CO]	UKPN
Donna Jamieson [DJ]	IDCSL
Edda Dirks [ED]	SSE
Hazel Patterson [HP]	SPEN
Kara Burke [KB]	NPg
Kevin Woolard [KW]	Centrica
Mark Bellman [MB]	ENWL
Monique Pereira [MP]	Indigo Networks
Peter Waymont [PW]	UKPN
Shaun McRaith [SM]	Ofgem
Simon Vicary [SV]	EDF
Victoria Burkett [VB]	SSE
Code Administrator	
Andy Green [AG]	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 the minutes are approved.

Apologies

- 1.2 No apologies were received.

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.

Minutes Review

- 1.4 The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed without amendment.

Action Log

- 1.5 The Chair provided updates on the open actions contained in the Actions Log within the appendix.

2. Purpose of the Meeting

- 2.1 The Chair advised that the purpose of the meeting was to review the updated RFI responses, review the Change Report and the Legal Text.

3. Review RFI Responses

- 3.1 The Chair presented the updated data received from the DNOs.
- 3.2 ED provided an analysis of the data which the Working Group reviewed, including three bar charts for the three parameters (MPANs, days, and units). The analysis also included a commentary, noting several observations.
- 3.3 ED noted that the three parameters broadly correlate and that all three peaked in 2017 followed by a sharp drop in 2018. ED suggested that something is likely to have happened at this point in time and noted that it would be useful to establish what, as this could help lead to a solution.
- 3.4 ED speculated that a dip in 2020 could be related to the COVID-19 pandemic but that it may not be. ED noted that since then there has been a slight rising trend, but not to the previous peaks.
- 3.5 In comparing the previous and updated data sets, ED questioned why there were approximately 1,600 MPANs and there are now approximately 900. ED suggested it could be due to the previous data including zero read MPANs, manually de-energised MPANs and pseudo MPANs.
- 3.6 ED also questioned why there were increases in the maximum days (from 12,000 to 21,000) and maximum units (16 million to 40 million). The Chair noted that an additional DNO had responded to the updated RFI request and that from a consumption perspective, there were a lot of units within that data. PW agreed and added that not all MPANs consume the same amounts of energy, and therefore the volume increase could be due to the nature of the sites included.
- 3.7 ED suggested that it may be a relatively small number of sites that are responsible and it may therefore be less onerous to identify those MPANs and liaise about them.

4. Review Change Report

4.1 The Chair presented the Change Report to the Working Group for discussion. A summary of the Working Groups' decisions are as follows. An updated version of the Change Report is included as **Attachment 1**.

- Section 6 – title amended to 'RFI'.
- Paragraph 6.1 – word 'snapshot' removed.
- Paragraph 6.2 - expanded 're' to 'regarding'.
- Paragraph 6.3 - wording amended for clarification. 'DURABILL' amended to 'DUoS billing system'.
- Paragraph 6.4 – wording amended for clarity.
- Paragraph 6.7 – members considered amending the table under 6.8 to include licence areas but agreed not to, to ensure data remains anonymous. Agreed to note in 6.7 that the data covers all fourteen licence areas.
- Paragraph 6.8 – removed.
- Paragraph 6.9 – amended to include the timeframe for which the data covers.
- Paragraph 6.10 – added 'it was noted that the data contained both import and export MPANs and that both CDCM and EDCM MPANs which have different tariff structures.'
- Paragraph 6.11 – addition of the Working Group's conclusions on the data.
- Paragraph 7.8 – amended to 'MPRS'.

5. Review Legal Text

- 5.1 The Chair presented the Legal Text to the group for discussion. The group noted that at the previous meeting they had agreed to restructure the legal text, removing paragraph 140 and amending paragraph 139 to include a part a) and b).
- 5.2 VB provided a draft following the previous meeting that the group reviewed and updated. The updated version of the Legal Text is provided as **Attachment 2**.
- 5.3 MB asked whether a) and b) cover the situation in which an MPAN has migrated to MHHS and then gone back to legacy. The group agreed to amend the wording in a) to 'non-MHHS Metering Points, and for MHHS Metering Points for Settlement Periods whilst they are not under MHHS arrangements' and the wording in b) to 'MHHS Metering Points'. The group noted that this would be checked during legal review.

- 5.4 Regarding section b), DJ asked whether it will always be additional charges or whether there would be a case in which it would be credits. The group agreed to amend the wording from 'any additional charges' to 'any difference in charges'.

6. Review/Update Work Plan

- 6.1 The group agreed on the following next steps.
- The Chair to issue the updated Legal Text and Change Report to members for review by COB on Wednesday 04 December.
 - The Chair to issue the Legal Text to Gowling WLG for legal review.
 - The Change Report to be presented to the Panel at the December meeting.

7. Any Other Business

- 7.1 No other business was raised.

New and Open Actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update

Closed Actions

Action Ref.			Update
06/01	The Chair to circulate an email to DNOs and IDNOs requesting further information regarding de energised data for all areas to support the solution drafted.	AG	<i>Action closed.</i> Complete.