

## DCUSA Issues Form (DIF)

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Nature of Issue
<p>One of the DUoS billing systems assesses standing data for charging as at the end of the billing period (usually a month end).</p> <p>Consider a mid-month change of tariff. The system will assess the tariff at the month end and use that for charging the entire month.</p> <p>Consider a mid-month change of capacity (recognising that while capacity charges usually start at the beginning of a month this is not always the case e.g. for service alterations where the customer want their capacity to be available on a given date). The system will assess the capacity at the month end and use that for charging the entire month.</p>

Either of these can result in an under or over charge for a portion of the month.

A mid-month change of capacity can also mean that excess capacity charges are “incorrect”, depending on how any excess relates to the correctly applicable capacity on the relevant date.

Are these scenarios so edge case as to be acceptable?

#### Solution Overview – If Known

<b>Solution Description</b>	Clarify DCUSA to make it clear what should happen. For example, split the billing periods so that the assessment of charges is not made at the month end but at the point in time of each relevant change. Or leave as-is.
<b>Lead Time For Implementation</b>	