

DCUSA Panel Meeting 230 (Open Session)

20 August 2025 at 10:00am

3rd Floor, Northumberland House, 303 306 High Holborn, London, WC1V 7JZ / MS Teams

Attendee	Role	Company
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Donna Jamieson [DJ]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
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Clare Wagstaffe [CW]	Alternate Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
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Kevin Woollard [KW]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Simon Yeo [SY]	Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd
Observers		
Alison Beard [AB]	Observer	SEC
Mark DeSouza Wilson [MDW]	Observer	BSC
Nadir Hafeez [NH]	Observer	Ofgem
Andrew Malley [AM]	Observer	Ofgem
Lorna Mallon [LM]	Observer	REC
Monique Pereira [MP]	Observer	Indigo Networks
Donald Preston [DP]	Observer	SSEN
Liam Sweeney [LS]	Observer	Ofgem
Code Administrator		
Richard Colwill [RC]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Andy Green [AG]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Melissa Kendall [MK]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
George Kestner [GK]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Hannah Proffit [HP]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Dylan Townsend [DT]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Angelo Fitzhenry [AF]	Secretariat	ElectraLink Ltd
Apologies		
Lee Wells [LW]	Alternate Panel Member	DCUSA Ltd

1. Administration

Notice of recording of Meeting

- 1.1 The Panel NOTED that the meeting is being recorded purely to aid with the production of the minutes and that 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 'Apologies' had been received from: LEE WELLS.

Non-Confidential Minutes

- 1.4 The draft minutes of the last meeting had been circulated ahead of this meeting. No comments had been received. The Panel AGREED that these minutes were a true and fair representation of the meeting.

Updated Actions

- 1.5 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, in their capacity as DIP manager, were hosting a session for DIP users, which would take place between 14:00-15:30 on 20 August 2025. Interested parties were invited to join.
 - P496 'Defining DIP Manager Data and how it can be shared' had been progressed to the Consultation phase; this would run until 3 September 2025.
 - CP1610 'BSCP128 Updates to Align with ISD System Capabilities' was currently out for Consultation until 22 August 2025.
 - CP1611 'Updating the BSCP 700 Series to align with the MHHS design and requirements' was currently out for Consultation until 8 September 2025.

- 2.2 The Panel NOTED the BSC update.

Ofgem

- 2.3 NH provided the Panel with a verbal update on Ofgem related following topics:
- With respect to the Expected Decision Dates (EDD) for Change Proposals that are with the Authority for their decision:
 - DCP 412 'Allocation of banding for TCR Charges for 'Peaky' Final Demand Customers': no EDD had been set as it is complicated and more time is needed to assess the impacts.
 - DCP 446 'Emergency Disconnections': the EDD is 5 September 2025.

- DCP 437 'To Shorten the DUoS Pricing Notice Periods': this was a complicated modification and additional time was required to consider it. No EDD had been set.
- DCP 439 'Backdating Tariff Changes': this had been received by Ofgem recently and an EDD had not yet been set.
- DCP 440 'Consuming "de-energised" sites': the EDD was 22 August 2025.
- Energy Codes reform update
 - Strategic Development Statement (SDS): Ofgem have published their preliminary SDS to help coordinate and prioritise strategic change within industry codes. Contained within the document is a strategic assessment of government policies and developments in the energy sector that they consider will or may require code modifications. The preliminary SDS was published on 1 August 2025; alongside the SDS decision document following the earlier consultation and this outlines Ofgem's rationale and development process for the implementation and content of the SDS. It also details Ofgem's conclusions, the rationale behind these positions and next steps for the development and introduction of a harmonised process for progressing code modifications, which would include further consultation under Schedule 12 of the Energy Act 2023 which will include additional details and next steps on the proposed cooperation standard licence conditions.
 - Code Manager Licence changes: Ofgem had published their approach for granting Code Manager licences to Elexon and RECCo for the BSC and REC respectively.
 - Ofgem was advancing their body of work on the code manager selection processes for future phases, including their intentions to consult on draft guidance and criteria for the competitive process for phase 2 codes later in the year.

2.4 The Panel NOTED the Ofgem update.

Smart Energy Code (SEC)

2.5 AB provided the Panel with a verbal update on SEC related topics. Points raised included the following:

- SEC was progressing a change **DP299 'Update Citizens Advice Scotland to Consumer Scotland'** as The Consumer Scotland Act 2020 (Consequential Provisions and Modifications) Order 2022 replaced references in the Electricity Act 1989 and the Gas Act 1986 and various other energy-related legislation to 'Citizens Advice Scotland' with 'Consumer Scotland'. This confirms that energy-related functions are now being exercised by Consumer Scotland instead of Citizens Advice Scotland and was flagging as there was potentially impacts on other codes.
- The SEC Code Administrator is currently reviewing ownership of Additional Registration Data (Gas) as Gas Transporters have very few obligations under the Smart Energy Code and current obligations are limited to the provision of Registration Data under SEC Section E. This issue will explore moving these obligations out of the SEC and into the REC to reduce the regulatory burden on Gas Transporters.

2.6 The Panel NOTED the SEC update.

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_2025_0820_01). The paper was taken as read. LM highlighted key points, including the following:

- R0216 'REC Changes to tie in with DCP419': this would be going live on REC portal ahead of a final decision next month.
- P441 'Complex Site Classes Creation': – work was ongoing across three codes with BSC leading. There was no REC equivalent. This would go out to consultation shortly
- I0197 'Introducing a process to provide updates during fault resolutions': there was a potential for DCUSA impact as this affected anything that needed a site investigation.
- I0190 'Related Meter Point RMP status rules': the lead code had flipped because this had originally focussed on disconnections but was now focused on new connections.
- I0248 'REC Changes to tie in with DCP451 – Suspending Registrations': this had been approved and progressed.
- I0270 'Clarification of SIP Qualification Requirements': clarifications on the potential for DCUSA impacts were being sought.

2.8 The Panel SCRUTINISED the REC update. Points raised included the following:

- Additional information was requested around whether additional metering points and whether there was a suggestion that these may no longer be needed. LM said that a gap had been found in the MHHS design where new and traded MPANs could not be related and additional work was required to ascertain whether a code change was needed to enable this, or whether agents could resolve these conflicts.

2.9 The Panel NOTED the REC update.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 There was one matter arising.

DCP 458 'Amend DCP414 process' – progressed through Initial Assessment by ex-Committee decision.

3.2 GK presented the Matters Arising paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2025_0820_02). The paper was taken as read. GK highlighted that the Panel had been asked via ex-committee email to conduct their Initial Assessment on a Change Proposal (DCP 458) which had been issued as an Urgent Change Proposal. It was noted that the Panel agreed that DCP 458 should be treated as an Urgent Change Proposal and for it to be progressed to the Definition phase and for a Working Group to be set up to further refine the proposed solution. had been formed accordingly.

3.3 The Panel NOTED the progression of DCP 458.

4. Change Register

4.1 RC presented the Change Register updates to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2025_0820_03). The paper was taken as read. RC 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 RC presented the Status change tab and highlighted the following changes since the previous month:
- DCP 457 'Housekeeping Items': Change Report Stage – this would be presented for decision later in the meeting.
 - DCP 450 'Managing the effects of surplus residual charge in the CDCM': Change Report Stage – this would be presented for decision later in the meeting.
 - DCP 439 'Backdating Tariff Changes': Awaiting Authority Consent
 - DCP 456 'MHHS Incremental Changes for Go Live': Awaiting Authority Consent
- 4.3 RC NOTED that, in the week subsequent to the preparation and circulation of this paper DCP 458 'Amend DCP 414 process' this was issued for Consultation.
- 4.4 RC presented the timetable tab and highlighted the following changes:
- DCP 454 'Provide enduring targeted relief from residual charges for electric vehicle charging sites' and DCP 420 'Include Car Charging Stations In The Definition For Non Final Demand': timetables for these two Change Proposals had now brought into alignment. Some modelling work was required because, while raw data had been compiled, additional analysis of aggregated market share was required in order to extrapolate and draw conclusions about the state of the market across the country.
 - DCP 452 'Correct application of Forward Cost Pricing EDCM charges to users connected directly to a Grid Supply Point': an alternative solution had been identified, and a RFI and more modelling was required to progress this. This would be delayed until October 2025.
 - DCP 443 'Excess Capacity': This would be delayed until November 2025.
- 4.5 The Panel NOTED the Change Register updates.

5. Initial Assessments

- 5.1 RC presented the Initial Assessment Cover Paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2025_0820_04). The paper was taken as read. It was NOTED that two new Change Proposals had been tabled for Initial Assessment by the Panel this month.

DCP 459 'DNO invoices to Embedded DNO'

- 5.2 This was a housekeeping change raised by UK Power Distribution. This would require separate invoice backing data to be provided by DNO Parties when issuing invoices to EDNOs.
- 5.3 The Panel SCRUTINISED DCP 459 and discussed whether Suppliers should be included within the proposed change but concluded that the changes that would be introduced by MHHS in the near future would supersede how Suppliers would be billed, so it was therefore not necessary for this Change Proposal to be amended to additionally incorporate them.
- 5.4 For DCP 459 the DCUSA Panel RESOLVED to:
- ACCEPT the referral of the CP;

- AGREE that the CP should be treated as a 'Standard' Change;
- AGREE that the CP should be treated as a Part 2 Matter;
- AGREE that the CP should be progressed to the Definition phase and for a Working Group to be established to further refine the proposed solution; and
- AGREE the progression of the CP in accordance with the proposed timescales.

DCP 460 'Updating incorrect company names referenced throughout the DCUSA'

5.5 This was a housekeeping change raised by the Secretariat. This would ensure that any references to the company names of specific Parties within the DCUSA are correct and to explore the possibility of future proofing these against any future changes.

5.6 The Panel SCRUTINISED DCP 460 with some concerns being raised about the suggestion to not take this to a Working Group in the first instance, whereby some Panel members thought that due to potential impacts that the future-proofing options might have that engagement would be necessary. DT clarified that the suggestion is to seek legal advice on what is sensible and legally sound and if it happens to be the case that there are options and numerous Parties potentially impacted then the Secretariat will bring the change back to the Panel to obtain their steer as to whether it should then be progressed to a Working Group.

5.7 For DCP 460 the DCUSA Panel RESOLVED to:

- ACCEPT the referral of the CP;
- AGREE that the CP should be treated as a 'Standard' Change;
- AGREE that the CP should be treated as a Part 2 Matter;
- AGREE that the CP should be progressed to the Report phase, with the caveat that should it be determined to require input from Parties post legal review, then the Panel may re-direct the Change Proposal to assessed by a Working Group; and
- AGREE the progression of the CP in accordance with the proposed timescales.

DCP 461 'Reducing the impact of Transmission Distribution Charges'

5.8 DCP 461 had been raised by NGED and would address a growing set of structural, economic, and policy misalignments that are actively hindering the UK's energy transition.

5.9 The Panel NOTED that DCP 461 had been circulated as a late paper ahead of the meeting.

5.10 The Panel NOTED the background of DCP 461: this had been discussed at DCMDG and four solutions had been identified. The Proposer suggested that the Change Proposal be treated as a Part 1 matter and as a standard change, with the proposal to progress to a Working Group to further develop a solution.

5.11 The Panel SCRUTINISED DCP 461. Points raised included the following:

- The Panel EXPRESSED CONCERNS that the Change Proposal as written had identified an issue, but had not proposed or advocated a change/solution.

- The Secretariat provided additional background behind the development of DCP 461. The issues raised had been discussed at DCMDG and the intention was so initiate a formal process as a means to attract engagement and buy-in from industry and to understand whether there were potential impacts on the CUSC, that might require a cross-code solution.
- The Panel expressed concerns that the Change Proposal as written did not provide visibility of the discussions that had taken place at DCMDG, nor did it clearly set out NGED's proposed solution.
- The Secretariat PROVIDED ASSURANCES that the Working Group would have visibility of any discussions held during the relevant DCMDG meetings.

5.12 For DCP 461 the DCUSA Panel RESOLVED to:

- ACCEPT the referral of the CP;
- AGREE that the CP should be treated as a 'Standard' Change;
- AGREE that the CP should be treated as a Part 1 Matter;
- AGREE that the CP should be progressed to the Definition phase and for a Working Group to be established to further refine the proposed solution; and
- AGREE the progression of the CP in accordance with the proposed timescales.

230/01 Initial Assessments: The Secretariat to: (1) progress DCP 459 to the Definition phase and for a Working Group to be established to further refine the proposed solution, as agreed; (2) progress DCP 460 to the Change Report phase; and (3) progress DCP 461 to the Definition phase and for a Working Group to be established to further refine the proposed solution, as agreed.

6. Change Reports

6.1 RC presented the Change Report Cover Paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2025_0820_05). It was NOTED that two Change Reports were being tabled for approval this month.

DCP 450 'Managing the effects of surplus residual charge in the CDCM

6.2 The Panel SCRUTINISED the Change Report for DCP 450. No points were raised.

6.3 The Panel RESOLVED to approve DCP 450, and to issue for Voting for a three-week voting period and that the Parties that will be eligible to vote will be those identified as impacted Parties in the Change Report (CVA Registrants, DNOs, IDNOs and Suppliers).

DCP 457 'Housekeeping Items'

6.4 The Panel SCRUTINISED the Change Report for DCP 457. No points were raised.

6.5 The Panel RESOLVED to approve DCP 457, and to issue for Voting for a three-week voting period and that the Parties that will be eligible to vote will be those identified as impacted Parties in the Change Report (Suppliers/DNOs/IDNOs/CVA Registrants/Gas Suppliers/OTSO Party).

230/02 Change Reports: The Secretariat to progress the Change Report for: (1) DCP 450, and to issue for Voting for a three-week voting period to Impacted Parties (CVA Registrants, DNOs, IDNOs and Suppliers); and (2) DCP 457, and to issue for Voting for a three-week voting period to Impacted Parties (Suppliers / DNOs / IDNOs / CVA Registrants / Gas Suppliers / OTSO Party).

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_2025_0820_06). The paper was taken as read.
- 7.2 DT NOTED that between the previous Panel meeting and the drafting of this paper, three new housekeeping items have been identified by a Party or by the Secretariat.

A missing “to” and a clarification in Schedule 32, Paragraph 6.3

- 7.3 DT explained that ENWL had raised an item relating to the missing word ‘to’ in paragraph 6.3 of Schedule 32, with the addition of making threshold plural and adding ‘as applicable’.
- 7.4 The Panel AGREED to add this item to the Housekeeping Log.

Correct missing words in Clause 52Z.3 and potentially consider amend the references to Meter Operator Code of Practice to CoMCoP

- 7.5 DT explained that the REC Code Manager had highlighted an issue with respect to the wording in Clause 52Z.3 which appears to be some missing words that results in the sentence not reading correctly.
- 7.6 The Panel NOTED that there was also an inconsistencies in the use of terminologies, in this case, the Meter Operator Code of Practice was used as the subheading to the above Clause but that the DCUSA usually uses the term Meter Operation Code of Practice. That term is currently defined by reference to the REC but the term is not defined in the REC and the term Meter Operator Code of Practice is and therefore this also needs to be looked at.
- 7.7 The Panel AGREED to add this item to the Housekeeping Log.

Missing “Schedule 6 – Curtailable Connections” from table of contents of Schedule 13

- 7.8 DT explained that ScottishPower Energy Networks had raised an item related to the table of contents Schedule 13 ‘Bilateral Connection Agreement’, which in the body of the text “Schedule 6 – Curtailable Connections” is not listed in the contents, but is in fact included on the last page. This was believed to be an oversight as part of the development of ‘DCP 405: “Access SCR: Managing Curtailable Connections between Licensed Distribution Networks”’, which made those amendments to Schedule 13.
- 7.9 The Panel AGREED to add this item to the Housekeeping Log.

230/03 Housekeeping Log: The Secretariat to add the following items to the Housekeeping Log,: (1) ‘A missing “to” and a clarification in Schedule 32, Paragraph 6.3’; (2) ‘Correct missing words in Clause 52Z.3 and potentially consider amend the references to Meter Operator Code of Practice to CoMCoP’; and (3) ‘Missing “Schedule 6 – Curtailable Connections” from table of contents of Schedule 13’.

- 7.10 The Panel RESOLVED to add the three new items to the Housekeeping Log.

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_2025_0820_07). The paper was taken as read.
- 8.2 The Secretariat confirmed that there were four new Accession Applications this month, from:
- Aero EV Solutions Limited

- Barlows (U.K.) Limited
- B Watkins Electrical
- Thrift Energy Limited

8.3 The Panel SCRUTINISED The Accession Applications. No comments were raised.

8.4 The Panel AGREED to APPROVE (1) Aero EV Solutions Limited; (2) Barlows (U.K.) Limited; (3) B Watkins Electrical; and (4) Thrift Energy Limited Applications to Accede to the DCUSA.

230/04 Accession Applications: The Secretariat to progress the Accession Application for (1) Aero EV Solutions Limited; (2) Barlows (U.K.) Limited; (3) B Watkins Electrical; and (4) Thrift Energy Limited, by drafting and sending the applicants an Accession Agreement and advising the DCUSA Board that the Panel have recommended that they countersign the Accession Agreement.

9. DCMDG Headline Report

9.1 RC presented the DCMDG Headline Report to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2025_0820_08). The paper was taken as read.

9.2 RC highlighted key points, including:

- ‘DCP 414 Guidance Update – SDEP and Other Mechanisms’: an email had been sent to all Contract Managers to remind them of DCP 414 Guidance and highlighting the use of SDEP as a mechanism that could be used but that they should be clear as to who it is then passed onto internally once it reaches its destination.
- ‘Site Specific Shared Network Asset Categories’: DCMDG Members had been asked to review a question of how to categorise as specific customer scenario for the purposes of the EDCM and that this was likely to need specialist engineering colleagues to provide feedback at the next meeting.
- ‘MHHS Update’: DCP 456 would go out to vote shortly and all Code related changes were incorporated into the programme.

9.3 With regards to the ‘DCP 414 Guidance Update – SDEP and Other Mechanisms’ item, one Panel member explained that they had received encrypted files via SDEP and these could not be read without the required password which hadn’t been issued alongside it. The Panel member noted that it didn’t seem to make sense, to use a secure platform and at the same time to encrypt the file that is being sent. The Secretariat AGREED to raise these concerns at the next meeting.

9.4 The Panel NOTED the DCMDG Headline Report.

10. IWG Headline Report

10.1 RC presented a verbal IWG Headline Report to the Panel, key points included:

- The IWG subgroup for restricted meter access had drafted three letters to explain how contractors should proceed when they were unable to access meters. Two of these had been approved, but the third, which was aimed at explaining safety considerations to customers, was still being redrafted to improve its presentation and accessibility.

- With regards to when meter moves required cutouts to also be moved: guidance was being prepared to explain how service alterations should be handled, but as different suppliers had different procedures creating a standardised set of guidance was difficult. Currently, around 5 scenarios were being drafted to explain when meters would or would not require a cutout.

10.2 The Panel NOTED the IWG Headline Report.

11. SIG Headline Report

11.1 AG presented the SIG Headline Report to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2025_0820_09). The paper was taken as read.

11.2 AG highlighted key points, including:

- For DIF 84 'Consequential changes as a result of Distribution Code Review Panel (DCRP) DCRP/18/03 and DCRP/MP/19/02', the SIG had been invited to sponsor this housekeeping Change Proposal, or, if no suitable sponsor had volunteered, to allow the Secretariat to raise this themselves. The SIG had agreed that the Secretariat could progress this issue. A Change Proposal was anticipated to be progressed at the September Panel Meeting.
- For DIF 85 'Updates to company names in Section 3 of Schedule 2B and Schedules 17 and 18', the SIG had authorised the Secretariat to progress this housekeeping change, which had been tabled as DCP 460 earlier in the meeting.
- DIF 86 'Charges#1' and DIF 87 'Charges#2' related to the invoicing and billing of charges processes. Some SIG members had suggested that these should have been progressed by DCMDG, rather than SIG, but it was clarified that the content was not related to the Charging Methodologies but the processes around the charges being billed and thus the SIG was the correct forum to have the discussion. Consequently, the SIG had agreed to raise a subgroup to discuss billing and charging windows in greater depth.

11.3 The Panel SCRUTINISED the SIG Headline Report. It was noted that no comments were raised on the points above, however one Panel member asked if there was an update to a previous action to form a SIG subgroup to examine three separate items that had been raised related to amending the embedded capacity register template. RC advised that he would get this underway shortly.

230/05 SIG Headline Report: The Secretariat to form a SIG Subgroup examine three separate items that had been raised related to amending the embedded capacity register template

11.4 The Panel NOTED the SIG Headline Report.

12. DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan

12.1 DT presented the DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan paper to the Panel, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. See paper (Panel_2025_0820_10). The paper was taken as read.

12.2 DT NOTED that there were no updates or changes to the DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan this month.

12.3 DT FURTHER NOTED that a new format for this report was being developed, and a draft would be trialled at a future meeting. This was intended to simplify the commentary, remove superfluous items and improve the readability of the presentation.

12.4 The Panel NOTED the DCUSA Monthly Horizon Scan.

13. Any Other Business

13.1 One items of 'Other Business' were raised.

AoB (1): Simon Vicary – retirement

13.2 SV NOTED that he would be resigning at end of September 2025, and consequently would be resigning from the DCUSA Panel and Board and as DCUSA Chair after the September meetings.

230/06 AoB (1) 'Retirement of Chair': Following the resignation of Simon Vicary, the Secretariat to progress an election process to select a replacement Supplier Member of the DCUSA Panel and Board.

14. Date of next meeting: 17 September 2025 at 10.00am

14.1 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
227/05	Accession Applications (2): The Secretariat to progress the Accession Applications for Fortify Electrical Services Limited by (1) seeking confirmation from the REC Code Manager that the applicant has completed SIP testing; and (2) once these assurances have been received, 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. This action will remain open until the August 2025 meeting unless it is completed before this date.	ElectraLink	<p>Update 18 June 2025: The Secretariat were currently awaiting confirmation from the REC Code Manager that this testing process had been completed. KEEP OPEN</p> <p>Update 16 July 2025: REC have advised that Fortify Electrical Services Limited are still in the process of completing Business Solution assessment and testing. KEEP OPEN</p> <p>Update 20 August 2025: This remains outstanding. KEEP OPEN</p>
227/06	DCMDG Headline Report: The Secretariat to raise the Panel’s concerns at the next DCMDG around SDEP contract managers not knowing where to best redirect communications in relation to the information Suppliers are providing to distributors as part of the requirements introduced by DCP 414 notifications and obtain opinions from this forum on what the best possible solution would be.	ElectraLink	<p>Update 18 June 2025: This had been discussed at DCMDG and, whilst there had been agreement that a change was required, no consensus had emerged as to whether this should be initiated by DCUSA or by REC. DCUSA and REC Representatives were continuing discussions. KEEP OPEN</p> <p>Update 16 July 2025: This was discussed at DCMDG and a report of discussions was provided at the July 2025 Open Panel Meeting. The Panel AGREED that the most appropriate course of action would be to provide voluntary guidance to Contract Managers as to how to handle these communications and monitor whether this resolved the issue. The Panel RESOLVED that the Secretariat would liaise with the REC Code manager do draft and coordinate the issuing of such a communication to all DCUSA and REC Contract Managers. KEEP OPEN</p> <p>Update 20 August 2025: this was raised at the DCMDG Meeting and a Change Proposal will subsequently be raised to address this. Discussions remain ongoing with REC. KEEP OPEN</p>
229/04	AoB (1) ‘DCP 419’: The Secretariat to liaise with proposers to withdraw DCP 419.	ElectraLink	<p>Update 20 August 2025: REC would be taking this to their Metering Expert Panel for a decision on whether to accept or</p>

			reject it as a recommendation in September. KEEP OPEN.
230/01	Initial Assessments: The Secretariat to: (1) progress DCP 459 to the Definition phase and for a Working Group to be established to further refine the proposed solution, as agreed; (2) progress DCP 460 to the Change Report phase; and (3) progress DCP 461 to the Definition phase and for a Working Group to be established to further refine the proposed solution, as agreed	ElectraLink	
230/02	Change Reports: The Secretariat to progress the Change Report for: (1) DCP 450, and to issue for Voting for a three-week voting period to Impacted Parties (CVA Registrants, DNOs, IDNOs and Suppliers); and (2) DCP 457, and to issue for Voting for a three-week voting period to Impacted Parties (Suppliers/DNOs/IDNOs/CVA Registrants/Gas Suppliers/OTSO Party).	ElectraLink	
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230/04	Accession Applications: The Secretariat to progress the Accession Application for (1) Aero EV Solutions Limited; (2) Barlows (U.K.) Limited; (3) B Watkins Electrical; and (4) Thrift Energy Limited, by drafting and sending the applicants an Accession Agreement and advising the DCUSA Board that the Panel have recommended that they countersign the Accession Agreement.	ElectraLink	
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Closed Actions – Open Session

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228/05	DCMDG Headline Report: The Secretariat to review the previous change raised around cost apportionment for connections where the boundary between Distribution and Transmission is impacted, to ensure that this was being picked up by the correct code.	ElectraLink	Update 16 July 2025: The Secretariat was in discussions with CUSC to ensure that any required Code Modifications were being progressed to the correct code. KEEP OPEN Update 20 August 2025: DCP 464 would be raised to address this. Completed. CLOSED
229/01	Initial Assessments: The Secretariat to progress DCP 457 to the Change Report phase, as agreed.	ElectraLink	Update 20 August 2025: Completed. CLOSED
229/02	Change Reports: The Secretariat to progress the Change Report for: (1) DCP 456, and to issue for Voting for a three-week voting period to Impacted Parties (Suppliers/DNOs/IDNOs); and (2) DCP 439, and to issue for Voting for a three-week voting period to Impacted Parties (Suppliers/DNOs/IDNOs/CVA Registrants).	ElectraLink	Update 20 August 2025: Completed. CLOSED
229/03	Accession Applications: The Secretariat to progress the Accession Application for Voltwise Power Holding Limited (CVA), by drafting and sending the applicant an Accession Agreement and advising the DCUSA Board that the Panel have recommended that they countersign the Accession Agreement.	ElectraLink	Update 20 August 2025: Completed. CLOSED