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Working Group Updates

DCP 464

'IDNO Connection Applications: Treatment of Existing Assets'

To clarify and align the DNO approach to the charging methodology applied to network asset(s) for IDNO applications when the IDNO is the sole user of specific network asset(s).

DCP 464 was presented for initial assessment at the September Panel meeting at which it was approved to progress to Working Group stage. A Working Group invitation will be issued shortly.

DCP 463

'Charging non-consuming De-energised CT-Metered sites'

To charge DUoS fixed and capacity charges to non-consuming CT-metered de-energised sites.

DCP 463 was presented for initial assessment at the September Panel meeting at which it was approved to progress to Working Group stage. A Working Group invitation will be issued shortly.

DCP 462

'Impact of MHHS on certain DCUSA owned flows'

The intent of the Change Proposal is to facilitate change to DCUSA owned Market Messages and to make updates to specific Market Messages, which have Scenario Variants that are solely owned by DCUSA, to align the requirements for MHHS, including any appropriate additional Scenario Variants that might need to be added for newly created for MHHS entities.

This urgent DCP was approved ex-committee by the Panel to progress as a Part 1 matter. This will progress to the Change Report phase.

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DCP 461

Reducing the impact of Transmission Distribution Charges

To address a growing set of structural, economic, and policy misalignments that are actively hindering the UK's energy transition.

The first Working Group meeting will be held on 24 September.

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DCP 460

'Updating incorrect company names referenced throughout the DCUSA'

To 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.

The Panel provided approval for DCP 460 to progress to vote. This will be issued on 18 September for 15 Working Days. The deadline will be the 09 October.

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DCP 459

'DNO invoices to Embedded DNO'

To require separate invoice backing data to be provided by DNO Parties when issuing invoices to EDNOs

The first Working Group meeting will be held on 01 October.

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DCP 458

'Amend DCP 414 process'

To apply a default capacity of 71kVA following the 12 months non-applicability of capacity charging arising from DCP 414.

The Working Group met on 15 September and discussed the possible solutions. The group agreed to progress two solutions and are awaiting legal review of the legal text.

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DCP 455

'Align RAV price-inflation with that used in ED2'

ED2 PCFM uses a combination of RPI and CPIH to uplift from 2020/21 to outturn prices. This change seeks to align the prescribed calculation of RAV in Schedule 1, to retain consistency of credit cover calculation with ED2 PCFM.

The DCP 455 Change Report is due to be presented at the October Panel meeting.

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DCP 454

'Provide enduring targeted relief from residual charges for electric vehicle charging sites'

To provide enduring targeted relief from residual charges to publicly accessible electric vehicle ("EV") charging sites, replacing the temporary provisions introduced by DCP 420, if that CP is approved. The new solution is not intended to be a permanent measure and will be subject to removal either at a predetermined date or when market conditions are sufficient that the relief is no longer required.

The Working Group will need to perform an impact assessment using the same information as used by the DCP 420 Working Group. There is therefore a dependency on obtaining the market share data under DCP 420 in order to progress this CP.

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DCP 452

'Correct application of Forward Cost Pricing EDCM charges to users connected directly to a Grid Supply Point'

To correct an oversight in DCUSA which results in customers connecting directly to Grid Supply Point incorrectly facing a locational FCP charge relating to assets downstream of their connection.

The Working Group met on 28 August and were provided with an update on the progress of modelling and completion of Impact Assessment by DNOs. The group conducted a review of updated EDCM models and documentation and reviewed a draft consultation document and legal text. It is hoped that a consultation will be finalised and issued shortly.

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DCP 443

'Excess Capacity'

To drive the correct customer behaviour regarding exceeding capacity.

The next meeting is scheduled for 24 September. TNEI have been invited to attend to discuss the modelling with the Working Group.

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DCP 442

'Aligning enduring flexible connections'

The intent of this Change Proposal ("CP") is to align (and clarify) the two approaches that currently may result in a flexible connection being provided on an enduring basis. A flexible connection on an enduring basis is an arrangement that allows a Customer's import/export of electricity via a connection to be restricted by a DNO/IDNO Party in perpetuity. This CP proposes that such a connection shall be a Flexible Connection rather than a Curtailable Connection.

The next Working Group meeting is currently to be confirmed due to the Proposer's availability. Once the next meeting has been scheduled, the aim is to finalise the draft consultation ready to issue to wider industry.

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DCP 424

'Use of System charging for complex sites'

This change proposal enables the correct DUoS to be paid by meters that are class F or G within a Class 5 or Class 6 Complex Site as described in BSC Modification P441 (where netting of Import and Export takes place for BSC Settlement purposes) in a practical manner. Under p441 where generation and demand are netted before settlement, the gross values must be added to the D0036 or D0275 to ensure the correct DUoS is charged. However, for class F and G the MPAN counts are included on the D0030 data flows but the volumes are zero. In order for the volumes to be correctly

charged DUoS it is proposed that these volumes are included in the D0036 or D0275 using a pseudo MPAN for the gross value.

The consultation has been finalised by the Working Group. The Chair is awaiting confirmation from REC and the BSC so that the three consultations can be aligned.

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DCP 423

'LDNO Discounts for negative scaling'

The purpose of this change proposal is to set a floor on the LDNO discount applied to negative tariff components, after scaling, for demand tariffs. The intent of this change proposal is to seek to remedy what the proposer believes is an unintended outcome of the implementation of Ofgem's Targeted Charging Review where LDNO tariffs can be higher than the equivalent all-the-way tariff i.e. the LDNO margin is negative for that component.

The Proposer has requested this change is not withdrawn yet due to an Ofgem consultation on debt relief. This consultation is expected to deliver results in April and the Proposer has advised if the solution does not involve network charge recovery of the debt, they will withdraw the CP.

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DCP 420

'Include Car Charging Stations In The Definition For Non Final Demand'

This change proposal aims to expand the definition of Non Final Demand to include Non Domestic sites which are solely for the use of charging vehicles where electricity is sold with a commercial transaction to a private user. These are to include e.g. Council run services, electric charging stations at car parks and service stations or petrol forecourts but are not to include private fleet charging stations. This is a temporary fix to be put in place until the charging stations included are commercially viable.

The DCP 420 Working Group issued two RFIs, one to EV Charge Point Operators and one to DNOs and IDNOs. A good response to both RFIs was received. The data is to be used to perform an impact assessment and requires a "market share" figure for the responding EV CPOs, so that the national impact can be estimated. Some challenges have been encountered in obtaining this data. A paper regarding this will be presented to the Board.

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DCP 419

'Pre-Notifications of Planned Supply De-Energisations'

To ensure that all DCUSA Parties, that de-energise metering equipment as part of any planned work, provide the Distributor with advance notification of the supply interruption.

DCP 419 is currently on hold pending Authority decision on [R0216](#).

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DCP 416

'Electronic Invoicing Post MHHS'

To create a new DCUSA owned DIP data message for electronic Distributor billing post MHHS.

The Working Group have reviewed the consultation responses and met on 23 June 2023 to finalise the conclusions to the second consultation. A decision on whether or not a Change Report is to be produced is to be made by the Panel but the Proposer has initiated a MHHS Change Request for the CP to be impact assessed and so it is expected that DCP 416 will be put on hold, pending the outcome of the MHHS Change Request.

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DCP 415

'Replacement of D0242/D0315 for MHHS'

To create a new DCUSA owned DIP data message for supercustomer billing statements using MHHS data.

In February 2023 the Panel agreed that the CP should be sent back to the Working Group. The Working Group will not need to meet until the MHHS Programme have been able to carry out an Impact Assessment for the solution they developed.

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DCP 388

'Amendments to Facilitate Appropriate Residual Charging for Sites with a Mix of Final and Non-Final Demand'

The intent of this modification is to define “Mixed Demand” Sites and apply a proportionate Residual charge where a Site meets the mixed demand definition.

The Working Group met on 02 October to review the need for a BSC change. It was agreed that a BSC change was required and that DCP 388 couldn't be progressed until the BSC modification had been defined so DCP 388 has been paused until the Proposer raises the required BSC modification.

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DCP 325

'Reviewing the requirements of Sections 35A ('Provision of Cost Information'), 35B ('Production of the Annual Review Pack'), Schedule 15 ('Cost Information Table') and Schedule 20 ('Production of the Annual Review Pack)'

The intent of this change is to combine, review, and if appropriate amend the requirements of Section 35A, Section 35B, Schedule 15 and Schedule 20 to improve transparency and efficiency in the data published by DNOs.

The DCP 325 Change Report was presented to the Panel at the September meeting. Members felt some amendments to the legal text were required so this will be updated and issued for approval ex-committee. The Change will be issued for vote with a reduced window due to time constraints on implementation.

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DCPs Awaiting Decision from Ofgem

DCP 412 -

'Discounts from TCR charges for 'peaky' final demand customers' (Expected - TBC)

DCP 437 -

'To Shorten the DUoS Pricing Notice Periods' (Expected - 25/09/2025)

DCP 446 -

'Emergency disconnections' (Expected - TBC)

DCP 439 -

'Backdating Tariff Changes' (Expected - 03/10/2025)

DCP 450 -

'Managing the effects of surplus residual charge in the CDCM' (Expected - TBC)

DCPs Awaiting Implementation

DCP 445 -

'Implementation of Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement (MHHS) Arrangements' (Implementation date 24/09/2025)

DCP 456 -

'MHHS Incremental Changes for Go Live' (Implementation date 24/09/2025)

DCP 440 -

'Consuming "de-energised" site' (Implementation date 01/04/2027)

DCP 457 -

'Housekeeping Item' (Implementation date 06/11/2025)

New Accessions

Three Accession Applications were presented to the Panel at the August meeting.

- AGR Networks Limited (IDNO)
- Crystal Electronics Limited (SIP)
- Devine Energy Limited (SIP)

The Panel approved the applications from AGR Networks Limited and Crystal Electronics Limited to progress. The Panel agreed to revisit the application from Devine Energy

Limited at the next meeting to confirm whether evidence of requirements have been received.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

Sep 19	DCMDG Meeting 91 10:00 - 12:00
Sep 22	DIFs 86 and 87 Subgroup Meeting 02 10:00 - 12:00
Sep 23	DCUSA Digitalisation Development Group (DDDG) Meeting 06 10:00 - 12:00
Sep 24	DCUSA IWG Subgroup – Restricted Access Customer Letters Meeting 05 10:00 - 12:00
Sep 24	DCP 443 Meeting 14 13:00 - 16:00
Sep 24	DCP 461 Meeting 01 13:00 - 16:00
Sep 25	DCMDG ‘Annual Allocation Review and Exceptional Circumstances for Future Electricity Transmission Price Control’ Subgroup Meeting 01 10:00 - 12:00
Sep 26	Standing Issues Group Meeting 172 10:00 - 13:00
Oct 01	DCP 459 Meeting 01 10:00 - 13:00
Oct	DCUSA Panel & Board 10:00 - 16:00

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