

## DCP 458 Working Group Meeting 05

24 October 2025 at 10:00

Attendee	Company
<b>Working Group Members</b>	
Kara Burke [KB]	NPg
Rebecca Flynn (RF)	NGED
Laura Quinn (LQ)	SPEN
Hazel Paterson (HP)	SPEN
Clair Richards [CR]	NGED
Ephie Chalakateva [EC]	NGED
Peter Waymont [PW]	UKPN
Lee Stone [LS]	EON
Blessing Ekpe [BE]	SSEN
Ed Grimes (EG)	BU-UK
Tim Porter (TP)	SSEN
Amanda Dainty (AD)	Total Energies
<b>Code Administrator</b>	
Andy Green [AG]	Chair

### 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 once these minutes have been approved.

#### Competition Law Guidance and Terms of Reference

- 1.2 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.

## Minutes & Actions

- 1.3 No feedback was provided on the minutes from the previous meeting. Updates on the actions are included in the appendix.

## 2. Purpose of the Meeting

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- 2.1 The Chair set out that the purpose of the meeting was to review the legal text for both solutions, agree on whether the Working Group wanted to take one or both solutions forwards and finalise the change report.

## 3. Review the legal text

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- 3.1 The Working Group began to review the legal text for solution A; this can be found within attachment 1- DCP 458 Alternate Legal Text Solution A
- 3.2 PW explained that he had amended paragraph 182 to clarify that with effective from 12 months after the date of first migration, then the Distributor will apply the tariff and the default MIC as this made it clear as to when the protection begins, and when it expires.
- 3.3 The Working Group had no concerns with this update.
- 3.4 KB asked within paragraph 182, is further clarity needed to clarify which MPANs are in scope in case other MPANs that weren't part of the P432 migration but were moving onto MHHS.
- 3.5 It was clarified that DCP 414 was aiming at MPANs that were CT metered and on NHH settlement.
- 3.6 KB asked if a customer who was in the process of having CTs installed would get access to this protection. The Working Group agreed in most, if not all of these cases a change of measurement class would be performed and a new connection agreement with the customer agreed, as Distributors wouldn't go out and install CTs unless a site had specifically requested for this to happen
- 3.7 It was agreed that this was an unlikely scenario however if a customer did somehow have CTs installed and no new connection agreement had been applied, the site would be eligible for the 12-month protection that DCP 414 afforded.
- 3.8 The Working Group agreed that the legal text for solution A was ready to be issued for legal review.
- 3.9 PW explained that for solution B in paragraph 19.14, a clarification was inserted to make it clear that if the customer details on a site change, the supplier is required to inform the distributor of the change of details and what these new details are.
- 3.10 As with the legal text for solution A, 182 a clarification was added that the protection was effective from 12 months after the date of first migration.
- 3.11 It was also noted that within paragraph 181, an additional bullet point was added to confirm that the Supplier has to provide the Distributor, within 3 months from the date of migration, that a site is relevant for the protection.

- 3.12 An update was made to paragraph 19.15 to make it clear that when the customer details change, the Supplier has to repeat the customer notification process. This was also added to solution A.
- 3.13 It was confirmed that within paragraph 19.14, there is an obligation on Distributors to notify Suppliers which mailboxes the relevant sites and customer contact details should be sent to.
- 3.14 It was agreed within paragraph 19.14, to clarify that prior to the transition, the Supplier shall inform the Distributor that a site is relevant and also what the customer contact details are.
- 3.15 Within Paragraph 19.14 an amendment was made to clarify that if a change of customer occurs, the protection is effective from the date of the first migration for the premise.
- 3.16 It was noted that for solution B, as agreed in the previous meeting, paragraph 19.16 would be raised to the legal advisors as to whether this paragraph was needed.
- 3.17 It was agreed that both solutions would be taken forwards to voting. PW queried, for solution A, if 71kVA was appropriate.
- 3.18 LS believed that 71kVA was a logical capacity to use as this was typically the threshold for a site when CTs would be installed.
- 3.19 The Working Group confirmed to leave the default capacity for solution A as 71kVA.

#### 4. Review Change Report.

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- 4.1 The Working Group reviewed the Change Report, the document that was reviewed can be found within Attachment 3.
- 4.2 An amendment was made to paragraph 1.7 that the default 71kVA would be used for billing.
- 4.3 It was noted that KB had added in some detail to give both solutions similar level of detail to provide balance to the reader but the intent and context to these paragraphs remained unchanged.
- 4.4 In paragraph 6.4, a table showing the impact of what using 71kVA could have on customers was inserted. It was agreed that the costs to the customers needed to be updated to monthly rather than annually, as the annual costs wouldn't usually be incurred as most, if not all customers would seek to change their capacity well before 12 months.
- 4.5 KB agreed to add in some different wording to this paragraph to include a counter point that customers may not incur these charges if they were to contact the Distributor upfront.
- 4.6 PW asked if Suppliers were tracking the process to ensure that Distributors were updating sites with the correct tariffs.
- 4.7 LS confirmed that within their organisation they are tracking this as it is in the Suppliers commercial interest to confirm sites are being billed on the correct tariffs.
- 4.8 A clarification was added to paragraph 6.29 that the backdating element was limited to the practical application of the tariff change in order to allow Distributors to make the relevant billing system changes and issue the communications to customers, as it was noted it would be impossible to do

10's or 1000's of billing system updates and issue notices to customers all on one day, so some flexibility on the practical application of the update was needed.

- 4.9 Paragraph 6.31 was updated to clarify that the NHH CT sites who would get the protection was a feature of the BSC, not an issue and that this was how the code was designed to function.
- 4.10 It was agreed that when this change is sent out for voting, a clear message/signal will be included to state that the voting window for this CP is 10 Working Days.
- 4.11 It was also agreed that the voting process will allow for a party to vote to accept both solutions with an additional question for Parties to highlight which of the two solutions they prefer.
- 4.12 It was noted that the aspiration was that this change would be out for voting early November and that the CP would be reviewed by the DCUSA panel via ex committee.

## 5. Next Meeting

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- 5.1 No future meeting has been arranged as the Working Group agreed the change report review can be conducted offline.

## 6. Any Other Business

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- 6.1 No other business was raised.

## Attachments

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- Attachment 1 - DCP 458 Proposers Legal Text Solution A
- Attachment 2 - DCP 458 Alternate Legal Text Solution B
- Attachment 3 – DCP 458 Change Report





## New and Open Actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
05/01	KB to update the Change Report at paragraph 6.4 to show the costs to customers as monthly	Chair	<b>New action.</b>
05/02	The Chair to update the Change Report and legal text and share with the Working Group.	Chair	<b>New action.</b>

## Closed Actions

Action Ref.			Update
01/01	Chair to draft a consultation and issue to the Working Group for review.	Chair	<b>Action closed.</b> Complete.
02/01	Chair to issue the consultation to DCMDG and SIG members, in addition to the usual recipients.	Chair	<b>Action closed.</b> Complete.
03/01	Secretariat to raise awareness of the DCP 458 consultation at the next DCMDG meeting.	Secretariat	<b>Action closed.</b> Complete.

04/01	PW to update the legal text based on the comments raised in section 3 of WG 04 Minutes.	Chair	<b>New action.</b>
02/02	The Chair to update the Change Report and share with the Working Group.	Chair	<b>New action.</b>