

DIF 72 Subgroup - Meeting 05

19 January 2026 at 13:00 - Web-Conference

Attendee	Company
Working Group Members	
Chris Varney [CV]	OVO
Danielle Fisher [DF]	UKPN
Don Mackenzie [DM]	EON
John Mason [JM]	UKPN
Jordan Hills [JH]	SSE
Michael Gorewoda [MG]	EON
Komal Brown [KB]	Scottish Power
Richard Brady [RB]	National Grid
Richard Hill [RH]	Centrica
Warren Lacey [WL]	NPg
Code Administrator	
Richard Colwill [RC]	Chair

1. Administration

Recording

- 1.1 The Chair advised the meeting would be recorded. The purpose of this recording is to aid the Technical Secretariat in producing an accurate report of the meeting.

Apologies

- 1.2 No apologies were received.

Competition Law Guidance and Terms of Reference

- 1.3 The Working Group reviewed the “Competition Law Guidance”. All Working Group members agreed to be bound by the Competition Law Guidance for the duration of the meeting.

2. Purpose of the Meeting

- 2.1 The Chair advised that the purpose of the meeting was to review the draft RFI responses and review the guidance document.

3. Review RFI Responses

- 3.1 The working group reviewed the RFI responses, a summary of discussions can be found below:
- SIPs generally supportive, citing efficiency, reduced DNO workload, and improved customer experience.
 - DNOs respondents opposed to extending SIP scope, citing:
 - Original narrow design intent of the SIP role
 - Governance, ownership, training, liability, and demarcation concerns
- 3.2 After review, the subgroup agreed not to continue to progress the proposed solution of extending the SIP role. It was noted that if a Party wished to progress this solution, they could sponsor a DCUSA Change Proposal.

4. Review Draft Guidance Document

- 4.1 MG introduced a draft guidance document intended to provide a practical, industry-aligned approach for scenarios where a customer requests a meter relocation.
- 4.2 The working group agreed that the scope required clarification and refinement to ensure consistency and avoid misinterpretation:
- The document should explicitly apply to:
 - Meter moves exceeding 3 metres cable length, and
 - Meter moves into a different room, even where the cable length is under 3 metres.
 - It was agreed that moves under 3 metres within the same room may still be possible without electrician involvement, subject to individual supplier policy.
- 4.3 The intent of the guidance is to give the customer clear, consistent advice at first contact. It was confirmed that the 3m threshold derives from BS 7671. It was agreed that the guidance should state that electricians must complete works before and be present on the day of the meter move.
- 4.4 Regarding instructions such as should the isolator be sealed and other specific instructions the working group agreed to seek industry views by issuing the guidance document for consultation.

Action 05/01 – The Chair to issue the updated document to the working group for review.

5. Any Other Business

- 5.1 The Chair asked the group whether there were any other items of business to discuss. There were no other items raised.

New and Open Actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
03/02	RH and CV to present potential solutions discussed by the DIF 72 subgroup at the next AMO meeting. Feedback to be provided at the next DIF 72 subgroup meeting.	RH and CV	Action ongoing.
05/01	The Chair to issue the updated document to the working group for review.	The Chair	New action.

Closed Actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
03/01	The Chair to provide a list of the activities SIPs are permitted to perform and to explore whether those responsibilities can be expanded upon.	The Chair	Action closed. <i>Action complete.</i>
03/03	The Chair to draft an email to all Parties; outlining the subgroup's discussions, outlining their consideration of using SIPs or electricians (leaning towards SIPs), and asking Parties for their feedback.	The Chair	Action closed. <i>Action complete. Responses due by 17 December 2025. To be discussed at the next meeting on 19 January 2026.</i>
04/01	DNOs to check within their businesses whether the solution agreed at meeting 04 would be acceptable.	DNOs	Closed

DCUSA

04/02	The Chair to begin drafting guidance document on moving meters, based on discussions held at meeting 04.	The Chair	Closed
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