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DCP 478

'Resolving Housekeeping Items'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants, Gas Suppliers, OTSO Party, SIPs

The intent of this Change Proposal is to resolve housekeeping items 132, 133, 134, 135 and 136 and to correct any errors introduced as part of the implementation of the harmonised prioritisation process directed by Ofgem.

DCP 478 was presented to the Panel for initial assessment at their June meeting. The change was approved to progress as a Part 2 matter and will progress to Change Report phase.

DCP 477

'Managing the effects of excessive surplus residual revenue in the EDCM'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

The purpose of this Change Proposal is to include within DCUSA Schedule 17 solutions, previously approved by Ofgem through derogation, which can be applied by affected DNOs in instances of excessive surplus residual revenue within the Forward Cost Pricing (FCP) Extra High Voltage Distribution Charging Methodology (EDCM) model at a tariff set case.

DCP 477 was presented to the Panel for initial assessment at their June meeting. The change was approved to progress as a Part 1 matter, as a high priority change, to the definition phase. A Working Group invitation will be issued shortly.

DCP 476

'Treatment of multi MPAN sites'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

To determine how a site-specific billed site which has multiple MPANs but which are traded with different Suppliers should be treated

DCP 476 was presented to the Panel for initial assessment at their June meeting. The change was approved to progress as a Part 1 matter to the definition phase. A Working Group invitation will be issued shortly.

DCP 475

'Incentives and Compensation for Extended Outages'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants, OTSO Party

To provide increased financial incentives to network companies that reflect the lost opportunity cost to end Users of extended network outages which may include enhanced compensation payments to affected Users

The first Working Group meeting was held on 10 June. The group reviewed the change and agreed to begin drafting an RFI. The group will meet again on 25 June to review this.

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DCP 474

'Application of Smart Meter Communication Licence Costs in the CDCM'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

To amend Schedule 16 of the DCUSA so that Smart Meter Communication Licence Costs are to be recovered from customer categories which drive these costs, by means of a fixed charge adder applied on an equivalent per-MPAN basis.

The first meeting was held on 08 June 2026. Members discussed the proposal and the Secretariat took an action to begin drafting a consultation document. The group will meet again on 29 June to review the draft consultation.

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DCP 473

'Non-consuming De-energised CT Metered sites'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

To provide mechanisms for distributors to deal effectively with long term non-consuming CT-metered de-energised sites.

The DCP 473 consultation ended on 10 June 2026. The Working Group met on 15 June to begin reviewing the responses. A poll will be issued shortly with dates for the next meeting, to finish reviewing the responses.

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DCP 469

'Cross Code Standardisation of Charging Arrangement Notice Periods'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

The Proposer seeks to achieve Cross Code standardisation of Charging Arrangement Notice Periods.

The DCP 469 Working Group last met on 21 May 2026. The Working Group agreed to further develop the DCP 437 calculator offline for the group to review and further discuss during the next meeting. The Secretariat agreed to produce a draft Consultation offline prior to the next meeting. The next meeting is currently TBC and a meeting poll will be issued for availability once an update on the calculator has been provided.

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DCP 467

'Online reporting tools for Category A and B defects'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, SIPS

To mandate that relevant DCUSA Parties utilise online reporting tools where DNOs have made them available for the purpose of reporting Category A and B situations.

The DCP 467 Working Group met on 27 May to review the consultation responses. The group will meet again on 22 June to develop the Change Report.

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DCP 465

'NFD Generator and Battery Capacity Charges'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

To align The Differential In Generator and Battery Capacity charges between the CDCM and EDCM methodologies and therefore reduce the capacity charges for CDCM Generators and Batteries.

The Working Group is currently finalising a consultation document to be issued to industry shortly.

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DCP 464

'IDNO Connection Applications: Treatment of Existing Assets'

Impacted Parties - DNOs, IDNOs

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).

The Working Group meet 10 June 2026 with the legal advisor from Gowlings to progress the legal text. The Working Group are now currently considering this advice before agreeing on an approach. It is expected that a second consultation will be issued mid/late June.

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DCP 461

Reducing the impact of Transmission Distribution Charges

Impacted Parties - DNOs, IDNOs

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

The DCP 461 consultation closed on 29 May. A meeting is currently being scheduled for members to review responses.

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DCP 454

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

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

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 Secretariat has engaged CEPA/TNEI for modelling support, which will include the production of the impact assessment. The Working Group will meet soon to review the modelling specification.

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DCP 446

'Emergency Disconnections'

Impacted Parties - DNOs, IDNOs

To enable distributors to charge customers covered by section 2 of the National Terms of Connection for emergency disconnections that have been caused by their act or omission

The Working Group met on 14 April to review the legal text and discuss the Change Report. The updated legal text will be sent for legal review and the group are finalising the Change Report offline.

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DCP 443

'Excess Capacity'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

To drive the correct customer behaviour regarding exceeding capacity.

The next meeting has been scheduled for 30 June, at which the second consultation document will be reviewed.

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DCP 442

'Aligning enduring flexible connections'

Impacted Parties - DNOs, IDNOs

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'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

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 second consultation was issued on 12 June, with a deadline of 03 July.

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DCP 420

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

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

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 DCUSA Secretariat completed an initial draft of an impact assessment and presented this to the Working Group. The Working Group identified a number of actions required to make the analysis fit for purpose. These actions are being progressed. A NESO representative has offered assistance in understanding the TNUoS impacts of this CP. A meeting is in the process of being scheduled and this is being progressed as a matter of priority.

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DCP 419

'Pre-Notifications of Planned Supply De-Energisations'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, the CMRC, SIPs

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.

This CP is on hold pending confirmation from the Proposer as to whether they wish to continue to progress DCP 419 following Ofgem's decision on the related REC change.

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DCP 388

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

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

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 2023 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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DCPs Awaiting Decision from Ofgem

DCP 412 -
'Discounts from TCR charges for 'peaky'
final demand customers' (Expected -
30/09/2026)
DCP 452 -

DCPs Awaiting Implementation

DCP 440 -
'Consuming "de-energised"
sites' (Implementation date 01/04/2027)
DCP 450 -

'Correct application of Forward Cost Pricing EDCM charges to users connected directly to a Grid Supply Point' (Expected - Late August)

DCP 446 -

'Tariff Band to follow capacity' (Expected - TBC)

'Managing the effects of surplus residual charge in the CDCM' (Implementation date 01/04/2027)

DCP 459 -

'DNO invoices to Embedded DNO' (Implementation date 11/11/2026)

DCP 468 -

'Remove Redundant Data Flow from DTC/EMDS' (Implementation date 05/11/2026)

DCP 470 -

'Independent Credit Assessments' (Implementation date 25/06/2026)

DCP 471 -

'Lead Time For DCPs' (Implementation date 25/06/2026)

New Accessions

Four Accession Applications were presented to the Panel at the June meeting.

- Habitat Energy Limited (Supplier/CVA Registrant)
- Next Generation Utilities Limited (SIP)
- Ocker Hill BESS Limited (CVA Registrant)
- Radius Contracting Limited (SIP)

The Panel approved the applications to progress.

Standing Issues Group (SIG) Update

The [SIG](#) last met on 29 May. Discussions are summarised below. The full minutes of the meeting can be found on the DCUSA website.

- Customer contact guidance review - The group reviewed the need to update guidance related to DCP 414 and DCP 458 concerning customer contact during the transition to half hourly settlement. While the process largely functions well, gaps exist in contact details for certain IDNOs, causing supplier uncertainty. It was noted that charging statements could serve as fallback contact sources, and efforts will continue to close contact gaps through engagement with IDNOs and forums. No immediate changes to guidance were deemed necessary, but the situation will be monitored with a possible review in August.

- Authority on capacity changes - A case was discussed where a tenant requested a reduction in Maximum Import Capacity but the landlord opposed it, raising uncertainty about whose instruction distributors should follow. The group concluded that both parties must agree to any capacity change, with processes including evidence checks and letters of authority. Disputes between parties fall outside DCUSA's remit and should be resolved commercially or legally.

Interventions Working Group (IWG) Update

There has not been another [IWG](#) meeting since the May Newsletter was published. The next meeting will be held on 01 July.

Distribution Charging Methodologies Development Group (DCMDG) Update

The [DCMDG](#) last met on 21 May. The main topics of discussion are summarised below. The full minutes of the meeting can be found on the DCUSA website.

- Ofgem consultation plans - Ofgem plans to consult on DCP 412 regarding banding allocation for TCR charges for 'Peaky' final demand customers in June 2026 and on P441 about complex site classes in July 2026, while the linked DCP 424 remains ongoing. Ofgem also acknowledged DNOs' work on ED3 revenues and aims to involve suppliers in forthcoming discussions. Preparations for a potential debt relief scheme mod are underway, with a suggestion for members to consider a DCUSA change if approved.
- DNO Annual Obligation update - No new updates were provided, but a template for future use will be issued to members for review after the meeting.
- DCP 475 on extended outages - DCP 475, addressing incentives and compensation for extended outages affecting embedded generators, was approved by the DCUSA Panel and has moved to a Working Group phase. Clarifications noted that the affected generators have standard connections, some under active network management, facing significant outage challenges.
- DCC and smart meter cost concerns: A member raised concerns about a reported 40% increase in DCC costs for DNO contributions, which the Chair explained might be reflected in recently published charges, pending confirmation from a DNO member.

Digitalisation Update

We are continuously adding new features to our website, based on your feedback, to improve the user experience. Additionally, we regularly add new videos

demonstrating new updates. The latest videos can be found on the DCUSA website at the link below:

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Upcoming Meetings/Events

Jun 18	DCMDG 100 10:00 - 12:00
Jun 22	DGP 467 Working Group Meeting 04 10:00 - 13:00
Jun 23	DDDG Meeting 14 10:00 - 11:00
Jun 23	DDDG Technical Subgroup Meeting 09 11:30 - 13:00
Jun 25	DGP 475 Working Group Meeting 02 10:00 - 13:00

Jun 25	DCUSA Schedule 20 Cost Information Review Pack Presentations 02 14:00 - 15:00
Jun 26	DCUSA Standing Issues Group (SIG) 181 10:00 - 13:00
Jun 29	DGP 474 Working Group Meeting 02 10:00 - 13:00
Jul 01	DCUSA IWG Meeting 88 10:00 - 13:00
Jul 15	DCUSA Panel & Board 10:00 - 16:00

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