

DCMDG DNO Annual Obligation

1. Synopsis

- 1.1 DNOs are obligated to perform an annual review of the charging methodologies as part of their distribution licence conditions. SLC 13 of the Electricity Distribution Licence states (as of July 2026):
- 13.2 The licensee must, for the purpose of ensuring that the Charging Methodology continues to achieve the Relevant Objectives:
- (a) review the methodology at least once every year;
 - (b) subject to paragraph 13.4, make such modifications (if any) of the methodology as are necessary for the purpose of better achieving the Relevant Objectives; and
 - (c) if the licensee is a Distribution Services Provider, include any modifications made to the CCCM in its Connection Charging Methodology.
- 1.2 This document sets out how this obligation is met by DNOs via their activities as part of the DCMDG.

2. DCMDG Activities

- 2.1 The DCMDG has two standing agenda items that relate to the annual obligation, which:
- 2.1.1 each March, invite DNOs to consider any issues that need to be discussed at the April DCMDG meeting in respect of the annual review of the charging methodologies; and
 - 2.1.2 each April, complete the DNO annual review obligation.
- 2.2 These agenda items act as a backstop to ensure that the DNOs perform their annual obligation to review the methodology.
- 2.3 DNO members can raise issues relating to the charging methodology at any time throughout the year, using the issues form provided on the DCUSA website, [here](#), or by contacting the Secretariat to request an agenda item be added to the DCMDG. This is how the obligation is met in reality (through continuous discussion of issues.)
- 2.4 Issues raised via the form or the DCMDG agenda are discussed by members of the DCMDG, which includes all DNO Parties, with the outcomes of those discussions being recorded in the minutes of each meeting. These minutes can be found on the DCUSA website, [here](#).

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