

DCP 477 Working Group - Meeting 03

14 July 2026 at 11:00 – 13:00

Attendee	Company
Working Group Members	
Dave Wornell [DW]	National Grid
Emma Clark [EC]	SSE
Georgia Preece [GP]	NPg
John Harmer [JH]	Waters Wye
Code Administrator	
Craig Booth [CB] (Chair)	ElectraLink
Mel Kendal [MK] (Technical Secretariat)	ElectraLink
Apologies	
Alex Lam [AL]	National Grid

1. Administration

Recording

- 1.1 The Chair noted that the meeting is being recorded. The purpose of this recording is purely to aid the Technical Secretariat in producing an accurate report of the meeting.

Apologies

- 1.2 The Chair noted received apologies. These can be found in the attendees list above.

Competition Law Guidance and Terms of Reference

- 1.3 The Working Group agreed to be bound by the Competition Law Guidance for the duration of the meeting.

Previous Minutes

- 1.4 The Chair invited the Working Group to review the previous meeting minutes – no further feedback was received, and the minutes were approved.

Open Actions

- 1.5 The Chair confirmed that all actions captured within this meeting will be recorded within the action log; this can be found in the Appendix.

2. Purpose of the meeting

- 2.1 The Chair explained that the purpose of this meeting is to review and refine both the draft Consultation document and draft legal text within the Working Group and agree next steps.

3. Review and Finalise Draft Consultation Document

- 3.1 The Chair presented the draft Consultation document live on screen for the Working Group to review and further discuss.
- 3.2 The key points can be found below:
- 3.3 EC explained that all references to 'where the EDCM model fails to run entirely' has been removed as this was not the case. References to 'a change in modelling approach from the TNEI software to an in-house model for the purposes of the FCP', as discussed within the previous meeting.
- 3.4 DW explained that the EDCM process did fail to run entirely as it did not produce anything and failed to run completely. After reviewing the changes made, although the specific reference to 'where the EDCM model fails to run entirely' has been removed, members were happy that the current wording would still cover this scenario.
- 3.5 In regard to paragraph 1.4, DW queried whether Holistic Transition scenario should be removed as this may longer be used – EC was unsure of this and agreed to check this internally and feedback to the group.

ACTION 03/01: EC to check internally whether the Holistic Transition scenario should be used and feedback to the group.

- 3.6 The Chair informed the group that he had offline discussions with Tim Alridge (Ofgem) and provided an update on the timescales the group are working towards, i.e., Change Declaration to be issued on

01 October 2026, with the desired outcome of implementation if Ofgem approve by 05 November. If approved by this date, this would provide DNOs with clarity on whether a derogation will/will not be needed. The Chair also noted that an Ofgem representative (Tim Aldridge/Andy Malley) will be available to attend the next Working Group scheduled for 13 August to review the collated Consultation responses.

3.7 The Working Group were happy with the final amendments to the draft Consultation.

4. Review and Finalise Draft Legal Text

4.1 The Chair presented the draft legal text document live on screen for the Working Group to review and further discuss.

4.2 The key points can be found below:

4.3 In regard to paragraph 18.22 (a), members agreed to add the below wording for further clarity:

- Carry over locational components and network use factors from **the previous year**; or'.

4.4 In regard to paragraph 18.24, JH suggested including the below wording which members were happy to approve:

- DNOs should stipulate within the DUoS Charging Statements which intervention option(s) per 18.22, **if any**, have been applied for the tariff setting year.

4.5 Members cross-checked paragraph 18.24 with the amended paragraph 18.22 to ensure that they both still align – members approved of this.

4.6 Following the final reviews, the Chair agreed to finalise both the draft Consultation and draft legal text and issue out to industry today (14 July 2026) with a response deadline of 31 July 2026.

ACTION 03/02: The Chair to finalise the draft Consultation and draft legal text documents.

ACTION 03/03: The Chair to issue the DCP 477 Consultation to wider industry for feedback.

4.7 The Chair confirmed that the Working Group will review the collated Consultation responses during the next meeting scheduled for 13 August 2026.

5. Agreed Next Steps

5.1 The Working Group discussed the next steps, and the following items were captured:

- The Chair to finalise the draft Consultation and draft legal text documents.
- The Chair to issue the DCP 477 Consultation to wider industry for feedback.

6. Any Other Business

6.1 The Chair asked the group whether there were any other items of business to discuss.

6.2 There were no other items raised.

7. Date of Next Meeting – 13 August 2026

7.1 The next Working Group meeting is scheduled to be held on 13 August 2026 at 1:30pm.

8. Attachments

- Attachment 1_DCP 477 Work Plan

Appendix A – Actions Log

New and Open Actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
03/01	EC to check internally whether the Holistic Transition scenario should be used and feedback to the group.	Emma Clark	New Action.
03/02	The Chair to finalise the draft Consultation and draft legal text documents.	Secretariat	Closed.
03/03	The Chair to issue the DCP 477 Consultation to wider industry for feedback.	Secretariat	Closed. <i>Consultation issued on 14 July 2026 with a response deadline of 31 July 2026.</i>

Closed Actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
01/01	AL to investigate the reasons for the adoption of the load growth carry-forward approach method over other approaches and provide confirmation from NGED's legal team that the proposed legal text accurately reflects NGED's approach.	Alex Lam	Closed.
01/04	The Secretariat to send the draft Legal Text to Gowling WLG for legal review.	Secretariat	Closed.

02/01	AL to produce wording for the Consultation that articulates that a mathematically correct process produced an unexpected output.	Alex Lam	Closed.
02/02	AL to speak internally to the engineering team to seek an example that might explain the unexpected output further and why they had to use the previous load growth assumptions.	Alex Lam	Closed.
02/03	The Secretariat to provide both EC and AL with the current draft legal text offline.	Secretariat	Closed.
02/04	Both EC and AL to assess the current wording within the draft legal text and update as necessary, for the Working Group to review during the next meeting.	Emma Clark / Alex Lam	Closed.
02/05	The Secretariat to schedule the next Working Group meeting to be held on 14 July 2026 at 11am.	Secretariat	Closed.