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SIG Headline Report

1. Synopsis

- 1.1 This report sets out the key decisions made at a DCUSA Standing Issues Group (SIG) meeting on 31 July 2026. The minutes of the meeting are available here on the DCUSA website.

2. DIF 91 Notices Under NTC.

- 2.1 The group considered whether updates were required to process for issuing notices under the NTCs.
- 2.2 It was explained that DNOs regularly receive formal notices under the National Terms for Connection relating to matters such as assignments of connection agreements, changes of company details and changes of registered address. The practical difficulty arises when the name included on a notice does not match the records held by the DNO. This can occur because companies change name over time or because projects are known internally under different names. As a result, notices can be difficult to identify and process efficiently.
- 2.3 An example was provided where notices named businesses that no longer appeared within records because the business had changed name or because the site had historically been known by a different name. It was suggested that notices would be much easier to process if they were required to include either a site address, an MPAN or another unique identifier.
- 2.4 Several representatives at the meeting agreed that the issue is something they have experienced and that the solution was sensible.
- 2.5 Clarification on exactly what information would be required was sought and a question asked whether parties would be expected to provide the MPAN and the associated address recorded within the existing connection agreement.
- 2.6 It was clarified that the objective was simply to identify the premises to which the connection agreement relates. The key requirement was the inclusion of the site address and, where available, the relevant MPAN. This would remove ambiguity and allow DNOs to determine reliably which agreement or site was being referenced, regardless of changes to customer names or ownership structures over time.
- 2.7 Another question was asked as to whether an MPAN could always be provided and on what to do in cases where it was not possible to provide an MPAN.
- 2.8 It was explained that his primary concern related to CVA registered sites, where MSIDs rather than MPANs may be used. The SIG acknowledged this point and agreed that it represented the most obvious exception and that using the MSIDs for these types of sites was a sensible solution.

- 2.9 It was suggested that any future Change Proposal could accommodate this by requiring an MPAN or MSID, as appropriate. The proposed drafting of an initial solution could be done in broad terms and then the legal drafting refined through the change process.
- 2.10 It was agreed that DIF 91 would be closed on the basis that a Change Proposal would be raised to take the issue forward through the formal DCUSA process. The Issues Log would be updated accordingly.

3. A.O.B

- 3.1 An update regarding DCP 466 and a related derogation that had been considered by the DCMDG was requested.
- 3.2 It was advised that the derogation had been circulated to parties for comment and would subsequently be considered at the next Panel meeting, scheduled for 19 August 2026.
- 3.3 It was explained that further progress was expected following the Panel discussion and that updates would be communicated through the normal industry channels once decisions had been taken.

4. Next SIG Meeting – 28 August 2026

- 4.1 At present no new issues have been raised.

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 The DCUSA Panel is invited to:
- **NOTE** the contents of this paper.

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