

DCP 443 Working Group - Meeting 20

04 September 2026 at 10:00 - Web-Conference

Attendee	Company
Working Group Members	
Alex Lam [AL]	NGED
Alex Pentecost [AP]	Eclipse
Charles Mott [CM]	SSE
Chris Barker [CB]	ENWL
Ed Grimsey [EG]	BU-UK
Erik Baguzis [EB]	Indigo
Kara Burke [KB]	NPg
Karl Maryon [KM]	Drax
Michael Hewitson [MH]	Trident
Nik Wills [NW]	Stark
Peter Waymont [PW]	UKPN
Code Administrator	
Andy Green [AG] (Chair)	ElectraLink
Mel Kendal [MK] (Technical Secretariat)	ElectraLink
Apologies	
Edda Dirks [ED]	SSE Gen

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 and Open Actions

- 1.4 The Chair shared the previous minutes, and there were no further comments/feedback.
- 1.5 In regard to Action 18/01, the Working Group reviewed the tracked changes made to the DCP 443 WG 17 Draft Minutes and had no further feedback. The meeting minutes were approved.
- 1.6 The Chair provided the updates on the current open actions; these can be found within the Appendix.

2. Purpose of the Meeting

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

3. Review Draft Consultation

- 3.1 The Chair presented the draft Consultation document live on screen for the Working Group to review and discuss.
- 3.2 The key updates can be found below:
- 3.3 The Chair noted that the Consultation timetable will be updated once the issue date of the Consultation itself has been confirmed.
- 3.4 The Chair also noted that the Consultation document is focused on the CDCM, however, the Working Group intends to consider how similar principles could be applied to the EDCM once all Consultation responses have been received.
- 3.5 KB suggested that the conclusions from the first Consultation and the RFI need to be expanded, particularly the explanation of the excluded or additional revenue issue. KB also identified repetition within the solutions section and suggested that the material should read more clearly as a conclusions section, with Consultation questions presented later.
- 3.6 The group agreed that KB would undertake an initial offline review of the Consultation document, focusing on structure, duplication, the conclusions, and the excluded revenue discussion.

ACTION 20/01: KB to complete an offline review of the draft Consultation document, focusing on structure, duplication, the conclusions, and the excluded revenue discussion.

- 3.7 In regard to Section 7 of the draft Consultation, the Working Group agreed to amend the title of this Section to 'Consultation 2', with a subheading of 'Working Group Solutions open to Consultation'.
- 3.8 The Working Group agreed to consult on the below three options:
- **Option A – 12-month Maximum Demand (MD) Charging**
 - **Option B – Differential Charge – Multiplier Approach**
 - **Option C – Model-Integrated Differential Approach**
- 3.9 Members did not have any further feedback around the pros and cons table.
- 3.10 The Working Group reviewed the Consultation questions, and KB suggested that the questions may need to be reordered. Following this, KB agreed to review the questions and add leading text where necessary.

ACTION 20/02: KB to review the Consultation questions and add leading text where necessary.

- 3.11 Once KB has completed the offline review of the draft Consultation, KB agreed to circulate this to the Working Group for a final review.

ACTION 20/03: KB to circulate the updated draft Consultation document to the Working Group for a final review.

- 3.12 The Secretariat agreed to schedule the next Working Group meeting for 14 September 2026 for a final review of the draft Consultation document prior to issuing to wider industry for feedback. If the Working Group complete an offline review and have no further comments prior to the next meeting, it was agreed that the next meeting may be cancelled if no longer needed.

4. Next Steps and Work Plan

- 4.1 The Working Group discussed the next steps, and the following items were captured:
- KB to carry out an offline review of the draft Consultation and circulate to the Working Group for review.
 - The Secretariat to schedule the next Working Group meeting for 14 September 2026 for a final review of the draft Consultation prior to issuing to wider industry for feedback.

5. Any Other Business

- 5.1 No further business was raised.
- 5.2 The Chair thanked members for their contributions and closed the meeting.

6. Next Meeting Date – 14 September 2026

- 6.1 The Chair confirmed the next Working Group meeting will be held on 14 September 2026 at 10am.

7. Attachments

- Attachment 1_DCP 443 Work Plan

APPENDIX A

New and Open Actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
16/03	The Secretariat to issue the Consultation to wider industry.	Secretariat	Ongoing. <i>Still in development.</i>
20/01	KB to complete an offline review of the draft Consultation document, focusing on structure, duplication, the conclusions, and the excluded revenue discussion.	Kara Burke	New Action.
20/02	KB to review the Consultation questions and add leading text where necessary.	Kara Burke	New Action.
20/03	KB to circulate the updated draft Consultation document to the Working Group for a final review.	Kara Burke	New Action.

Closed Actions

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18/01	The Secretariat to revisit the previous meeting recording (DCP 443 WG 17) and update the minutes in regard to the voting outcomes and the correct description of the options.	Secretariat	Closed.

19/01	The Secretariat to add clarifying text throughout the Consultation to clarify that the guidance document is explicitly referenced as pertaining to Option C only (to avoid any confusion).	Secretariat	Closed.
19/02	The Secretariat to update the terminology throughout the draft Consultation document by replacing 'tariff' with 'charge' for both clarity and consistency.	Secretariat	Closed.
19/03	The Secretariat to produce a summary for the RFI analysis section of the draft Consultation, outlining the potential impacts that were raised within the RFI responses, along with bullet points incorporating all feedback.	Secretariat	Closed.
19/04	The Secretariat to update the draft Consultation questions within the document for the Working Group to review.	Secretariat	Closed.
19/05	The Secretariat to include discussions around billing and finance systems interfacing within the draft Consultation document.	Secretariat	Closed.
19/06	The Secretariat to include wording to the Consultation document noting the Working Group's desired approach to the EDCM once the Consultation responses have been received.	Secretariat	Closed.
19/07	The Secretariat to add clarifying text to the Consultation document to reflect the intention that the principle of excess capacity charging should apply across methodologies.	Secretariat	Closed.
19/08	The Secretariat to circulate an updated version of the draft Consultation document and guidance document to the Working Group for offline review.	Secretariat	Closed.
19/09	The Secretariat to schedule the next Working Group meeting for 04 September 2026.	Secretariat	Closed.