

## DCP 465 Working Group - Meeting 06

14 October 2026 at 10:00 - Web-Conference

| Attendee                      | Company        |
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| <b>Working Group Members</b>  |                |
| Charles Mott [CM]             | SSEN           |
| Dave Wornell [DW]             | NGED           |
| Donna Jamieson [DJ]           | Idcsl          |
| John Harmer [JH]              | Waters Wye     |
| Lord Robin Teverson [LRT]     | Aldustria      |
| Louise Bunney [LB]            | NPg            |
| Mark Meyrick [MM]             | Ecotricity     |
| Thomas Holderness [TH]        | Ofgem          |
| <b>Code Administrator</b>     |                |
| Mel Kendal [MK] (Secretariat) | ElectraLink    |
| Richard Colwill [RC] (Chair)  | ElectraLink    |
| <b>Apologies</b>              |                |
| Chris Ong                     | UKPN           |
| Ed Grimsey [EG]               | BU-UK          |
| Edda Dirks [ED]               | SSE Generation |
| Lorna Murray [LM]             | SPEN           |
| Ryan Farrell [RF]             | NPg            |

## 1. Administration

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### **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.

### **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

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

## 3. Review and Finalise the Draft Legal Text

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- 3.1 The Chair presented the DCP 465 Draft Legal Text document live on screen for the Working Group to review and discuss.
- 3.2 The key updates can be found below:
- 3.3 DW explained to the group that additional wording has been added to clarify that the three-year recalculation cycle would begin for tariffs calculated for 2029/30, with the most recently calculated values retained between recalculations. An interim 28% discount for 2028/29 was discussed, conditional on implementation in time to set those charges.
- 3.4 DW explained that the calculation should use actual published capacity charges, and this must occur after the relevant forward-looking capacity charges have been created (but before subsequent revenue-matching).
- 3.5 JH noted that DNO members of the group had previously discussed carrying out the calculations without appointing a lead party – following this, the Working Group agreed to remove all references to appointing a lead DNO and the associated submission and verification provisions. The drafting was amended to place the calculation requirement on each DNO.

- 3.6 Members agreed that supporting data and calculations supplied by each DNO must allow the other parties to verify the result. The submissions should include the relevant data received by the DNOs, so that the calculation is transparent and based on the same information.
- 3.7 JH requested a worked example to demonstrate the calculation and confirm that the legal wording delivered the intended outcome. DW prepared and circulated an example during the meeting. The Working Group agreed to remove unused columns and include the example as an appendix to the draft legal text, together with an explanation of how the factor would be applied.
- 3.8 The group identified that expressing the result as a discount factor led to repeated '1 minus' operations. Dave and John agreed to use a multiplication factor instead, changing all references from 'ADF' to 'AMF' where appropriate and removing the redundant subtraction.

**ACTION 06/01: The Secretariat to update all references to 'ADF' to 'AMF' where appropriate.**

- 3.9 Members also noted that the calculation will state that the applicable Non-Final Demand capacity charge is the relevant Final Demand capacity charge multiplied by the AMF. This is intended to make the implementation unambiguous for model creators and DNOs.
- 3.10 The Working Group discussed where the new provisions should sit within Schedule 16. JH cautioned against renumbering existing clauses because of potential cross-references. Following this, members agreed that adding the detailed provisions at the end, with a reference at the relative stage of the charging calculation, would be more appropriate. The final location and numbering were not agreed and would be reviewed offline by the Working Group.

**ACTION 06/02: The Working Group to review the revised legal text and worked example and advise on the appropriate location and any necessary cross-reference within Schedule 16.**

- 3.11 The Chair agreed to circulate the updated legal text and worked example for final review, with comments requested by the end of 14 October 2026. Finalisation remained subject to that review and agreement on placement within Schedule 16.

**ACTION 06/03: The Secretariat to circulate a clean version of the draft legal text to the group for review offline.**

**ACTION 06/04: The Working Group to review the revised draft legal text offline and provide any additional comments/feedback by 14 October 2026.**

## 4. Review and Finalise the Draft Consultation Document

- 4.1 The Chair presented the DCP 465 Draft Consultation document live on screen for the Working Group to review and discuss.
- 4.2 The key updates can be found below:
- 4.3 The Chair presented the draft Consultation and confirmed that no further comments had been received following its previous circulation.

- 4.4 The Chair included a short overview of the legal text within the draft Consultation document, with the lead DNO reference removed to reflect the revised approach. The Chair also confirmed that the supporting analysis reviewed at the previous meeting would remain as an attachment.
- 4.5 JH requested that the implementation wording was clarified to refer to implementation in time for setting 2028/29 charges, rather than implementation during that charging year.
- 4.6 JH also requested that a worked example using a small number of EDCM sites is included to demonstrate the calculation and confirm that the legal wording produces the intended result. DW provided an example for inclusion as an appendix - JH agreed to review this offline before final approval.

**ACTION 06/05: JH to review the worked calculation example offline.**

- 4.7 DW explained that this CP seeks to address the different treatment of generator and battery imports under the EDCM and CDCM, with NUFs being a key element of that difference. TH requested a clearer link between the identified issue, the proposed mechanism and the DCUSA objectives, including cost reflectivity. The Chair agreed to expand the “Why” section using the explanation given by DW during the meeting.

**ACTION 06/06: The Secretariat to expand the “Why” section of the draft Consultation offline using the explanation given by DW during the meeting.**

- 4.8 The group agreed to add a question asking whether respondents could identify any mechanism other than using EDCM NUFs to amend CDCM Non-Final Demand capacity charges and address the differential treatment between demand and generation. This builds on earlier RFI responses, which had not identified a better alternative.
- 4.9 The discussion recognised that the proposal would not resolve all wider battery charging concerns. Members supported progressing the current proposal to address the difference between the two charging methodologies, without extending its scope to those broader matters.
- 4.10 Following the above discussions, the Working Group was comfortable progressing the Consultation and supporting analysis, subject to the agreed amendments and finalisation of the legal text. The Chair agreed to recirculate the updated draft Consultation for comments by the end of 14 October 2026, with the aim of issuing the Consultation on 15 October 2026.

**ACTION 06/07: The Secretariat to circulate a clean version of the draft Consultation document to the group for review offline.**

**ACTION 06/08: The Working Group to review the revised draft Consultation document offline and provide any additional comments/feedback by cop 14 October 2026.**

- 4.11 The group also agreed to reintroduce a 1-hour mid-Consultation Q&A session for Contract Managers and Interested Parties. The session was provisionally set for 28 October 2026 from 10am to 11am, with DW agreeing to participate as an expert.

**ACTION 06/09: The Secretariat to issue the final Consultation (once agreed by the Working Group) to wider industry for feedback (aiming for 15 October 2026).**

**ACTION 06/10: The Secretariat to schedule a 1-hour mid-Consultation Q&A session for Contract Managers and Interested Parties for 28 October 2026 at 10am -11am (once the final Consultation has been issued).**

## 5. Agreed Next Steps

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

- The Secretariat to make the necessary updates to both the draft legal text and draft Consultation documents and circulate clean versions to the Working Group for review offline (final comments by cop 14 October 2026).
- The Secretariat to issue the final Consultation to wider industry for feedback once agreed by the Working Group (aiming to issue on 15 October 2026).
- The Secretariat to schedule a 1-hour mid-Consultation Q&A session for Contract Managers and Interested Parties for 28 October 2026 at 10am -11am (once the final Consultation has been issued).

## 6. Any Other Business

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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 – 16 November 2026

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7.1 The next Working Group meeting is scheduled to be held on 16 November 2026 at 10am.

## 8. Attachments

- Attachment 1\_DCP 465 Work Plan

## New and Open Actions

| Action Ref.  | Action                                                                                                                                                                                          | Owner         | Update             |
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| <b>06/01</b> | The Secretariat to update all references to 'ADF' to 'AMF' where appropriate.                                                                                                                   | Secretariat   | <b>New Action.</b> |
| <b>06/02</b> | The Working Group to review the revised legal text and worked example and advise on the appropriate location and any necessary cross-reference within Schedule 16.                              | Working Group | <b>New Action.</b> |
| <b>06/03</b> | The Secretariat to circulate a clean version of the draft legal text to the group for review offline.                                                                                           | Secretariat   | <b>New Action.</b> |
| <b>06/04</b> | The Working Group to review the revised draft legal text offline and provide any additional comments/feedback by cop 14 October 2026.                                                           | Working Group | <b>New Action.</b> |
| <b>06/05</b> | JH to review the worked calculation example offline.                                                                                                                                            | John Harmer   | <b>New Action.</b> |
| <b>06/06</b> | The Secretariat to expand the "Why" section of the draft Consultation offline using the explanation given by DW during the meeting.                                                             | Secretariat   | <b>New Action.</b> |
| <b>06/07</b> | The Secretariat to circulate a clean version of the draft Consultation document to the group for review offline.                                                                                | Secretariat   | <b>New Action.</b> |
| <b>06/08</b> | The Working Group to review the revised draft Consultation document offline and provide any additional comments/feedback by cop 14 October 2026.                                                | Working Group | <b>New Action.</b> |
| <b>06/09</b> | The Secretariat to issue the final Consultation (once agreed by the Working Group) to wider industry for feedback (aiming for 15 October 2026).                                                 | Secretariat   | <b>New Action.</b> |
| <b>06/10</b> | The Secretariat to schedule a 1-hour mid-Consultation Q&A session for Contract Managers and Interested Parties for 28 October 2026 at 10am -11am (once the final Consultation has been issued). | Secretariat   | <b>New Action.</b> |

## Closed Actions

| Action Ref. |                                                                                                                                                                             |              | Update         |
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| 05/01       | DW to review and update the draft legal text as necessary and circulate to the Working Group for review offline.                                                            | Dave Wornell | <b>Closed.</b> |
| 05/02       | The Secretariat to tidy up the draft Consultation document and issue to the Working Group for review offline.                                                               | Secretariat  | <b>Closed.</b> |
| 05/03       | The Secretariat to schedule the next Working Group meeting for 14 October 2026 at 10am for a final review of all documents prior to issuing to wider industry for feedback. | Secretariat  | <b>Closed.</b> |