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DCP 488

'Correction of DCP 440 Legal Text'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

This Change Proposal seeks to correct the legal text associated with DCP 440 where it has been identified that the version of legal drafting sent out for voting was not the final legal text circulated to and considered by the DCUSA Panel prior to approval of DCP 440.

DCP 488 was presented to the Panel for initial assessment at their October meeting. The change was approved to progress to Change Report phase.

DCP 487

'Amendment to Annual Allocation Review'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

To update the Annual Allocation Review arrangements including changing the dates.

DCP 487 was presented to the Panel for initial assessment at their October meeting. The change was approved to progress to definition phase. An invitation to join the Working Group will be issued shortly.

DCP 486

'Update ENA address re NTC'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

To update references to the ENA's address following their move.

DCP 486 was presented to the Panel for initial assessment at their October meeting. The change was approved to progress to Change Report phase.

DCP 485

'Backdating DUoS Tariff'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

To align the backdating of DUoS tariffs in line with the changes to settlements and as a result of MHHS.

DCP 485 was presented to the Panel for initial assessment at their October meeting. The change was approved to progress to definition phase. An invitation to join the Working Group will be issued shortly.

DCP 484

'REP-900 Processing'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

To ensure suppliers can process the REP-900.

The DCP 484 Change Report was presented at the October DCUSA Panel meeting and was approved to progress to vote. Voting will begin on 22 October and close on 12 November.

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DCP 483

'REP-901 Ownership'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

To correctly describe ownership of the REP-901 in the EMDS.

The DCP 483 Change Report was presented at the October DCUSA Panel meeting and was approved to progress to vote. Voting will begin on 22 October and close on 12 November.

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DCP 482

'REP-900 Splitting'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

To describe how the REP-900 should be split if it exceeds the DIP limitation of 1MB.

It has been agreed to progress DCP 480 and 482 in the same Working Group as both CPs relate to the REP-900 process. The group met on 16 October to review the consultation responses. The group agreed to meet again on 06 November to review a Change Report for DCP 480 and discuss the cross-code impacts for DCP 482.

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DCP 480

'REP-900 cancellations charges'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

To ensure consistency among senders of REP-900.

It has been agreed to progress DCP 480 and 482 in the same Working Group as both CPs relate to the REP-900 process. The group met on 16 October to review the consultation responses. The group agreed to meet again on 06 November to review a Change Report for DCP 480 and discuss the cross-code impacts for DCP 482.

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DCP 477

'Managing the effects of excessive surplus residual revenue in the EDCM'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

The purpose of this Change Proposal is to include within DCUSA Schedule 17 solutions, previously approved by Ofgem through derogation, which can be applied by affected DNOs in instances of excessive surplus residual revenue within the Forward Cost Pricing (FCP) Extra High Voltage Distribution Charging Methodology (EDCM) model at a tariff set case.

The DCP 477 Change Report was presented at the October DCUSA Panel meeting and was approved to progress to vote. Voting will begin on 21 October and close on 04 November.

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DCP 476

'Treatment of multi MPAN sites'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

To determine how a site-specific billed site which has multiple MPANs but which are traded with different Suppliers should be treated

The Working Group are due to meet on 02 November to review the second consultation prior to it being issued to industry for responses.

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DCP 475

'Incentives and Compensation for Extended Outages'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants, OTSO Party

To provide increased financial incentives to network companies that reflect the lost opportunity cost to end Users of extended network outages which may include enhanced compensation payments to affected Users

The Working Group are awaiting the output of the ED3 Business Plan Guidance which is being led by Ofgem. An RFI will be issued once it has been confirmed there are no impacts from or to the ED3 Business Plan Guidance.

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DCP 474

'Application of Smart Meter Communication Licence Costs in the CDCM'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

To amend Schedule 16 of the DCUSA so that Smart Meter Communication Licence Costs are to be recovered from customer categories which drive these costs, by means of a fixed charge adder applied on an equivalent per-MPAN basis.

The next Working Group meeting is scheduled for 22 October to review updated models and make any final amendments to the consultation document.

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DCP 473

'Non-consuming De-energised CT Metered sites'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

To provide mechanisms for distributors to deal effectively with long term non-consuming CT-metered de-energised sites.

The Working Group met on 16 October to work on the solutions and legal text. The Chair took several actions, including to seek further legal clarification from Gowlings. The next meeting will be held on 06 November to review the outputs of the actions and to discuss the Change Report.

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DCP 469

'Cross Code Standardisation of Charging Arrangement Notice Periods'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

The Proposer seeks to achieve Cross Code standardisation of Charging Arrangement Notice Periods.

The Working Group is looking to consult on an alternate solution and this will likely be later in October.

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DCP 467

'Online reporting tools for Category A and B defects'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, SIPS

To mandate that relevant DCUSA Parties utilise online reporting tools where DNOs have made them available for the purpose of reporting Category A and B situations.

The Working Group met on 29 September. The group agreed not to progress with the possible alternative solution and to progress to Change Report with the original solution. The Chair took an action to draft a Change Report and update the legal text and circulate the documents to members. The group will meet again on 05 November to review the Change Report.

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DCP 465

'NFD Generator and Battery Capacity Charges'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

To align The Differential In Generator and Battery Capacity charges between the CDCM and EDCM methodologies and therefore reduce the capacity charges for CDCM Generators and Batteries.

The DCP 465 Working Group plans to issue the consultation shortly.

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DCP 464

'IDNO Connection Applications: Treatment of Existing Assets'

Impacted Parties - DNOs, IDNOs

To clarify and align the DNO approach to the charging methodology applied to network asset(s) for IDNO applications when the IDNO is the sole user of specific network asset(s).

The second part of the RFI has been issued with an end date of 04 November.

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DCP 461

Reducing the impact of Transmission Distribution Charges

Impacted Parties - DNOs, IDNOs

To address a growing set of structural, economic, and policy misalignments that are actively hindering the UK's energy transition.

The Working Group met on 20 October to discuss the Impact Assessment and the development of the 9 solutions. The next Working Group meeting will be held on 09 November to review the details of the Impact Assessment, discuss the outcomes of the legal text advice from Gowling, and to review the three draft Change Reports (for the 9 solutions).

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DCP 454

'Provide enduring targeted relief from residual charges for electric vehicle charging sites'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

To provide enduring targeted relief from residual charges to publicly accessible electric vehicle ("EV") charging sites, replacing the temporary provisions introduced by DCP 420, if that CP is approved. The new solution is not intended to be a permanent measure and will be subject to removal either at a predetermined date or when market conditions are sufficient that the relief is no longer required.

The Working Group met on 07 July 2026 to discuss the modelling request specification and agree actions to progress DCP 454. The next meeting is being arranged via a poll.

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DCP 446

'Emergency Disconnections'

Impacted Parties - DNOs, IDNOs

To enable distributors to charge customers covered by section 2 of the National Terms of Connection for emergency disconnections that have been caused by their act or omission

The Working Group is currently finalising the Change Report and it will be issued for Panel review shortly.

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DCP 443

'Excess Capacity'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

To drive the correct customer behaviour regarding exceeding capacity.

The second consultation has been issued and the Working Group will meet on 03 November to review the responses.

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DCP 442

'Aligning enduring flexible connections'

Impacted Parties - DNOs, IDNOs

The intent of this Change Proposal ("CP") is to align (and clarify) the two approaches that currently may result in a flexible connection being provided on an enduring basis. A flexible connection on an enduring basis is an arrangement that allows a Customer's import/export of electricity via a connection to be restricted by a DNO/IDNO Party in perpetuity. This CP proposes that such a connection shall be a Flexible Connection rather than a Curtailable Connection.

The next Working Group meeting is currently to be confirmed due to the Proposer's availability. Once the next meeting has been scheduled, the aim is to finalise the draft consultation ready to issue to wider industry.

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DCP 424

'Use of System charging for complex sites'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

This change proposal enables the correct DUoS to be paid by meters that are class F or G within a Class 5 or Class 6 Complex Site as described in BSC Modification P441 (where netting of Import and Export takes place for BSC Settlement purposes) in a practical manner. Under p441 where generation and demand are netted before settlement, the gross values must be added to the D0036 or D0275 to ensure the correct DUoS is charged. However, for class F and G the MPAN counts are included on the D0030 data flows but the volumes are zero. In order for the volumes to be correctly charged DUoS it is proposed that these volumes are included in the D0036 or D0275 using a pseudo MPAN for the gross value.

The issue of how the pseudo MPANs are identified has a solution and the Working Group is meeting on 23 October to review the solution prior to creating the Change Report.

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DCP 420

'Include Car Charging Stations In The Definition For Non Final Demand'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs

This change proposal aims to expand the definition of Non Final Demand to include Non Domestic sites which are solely for the use of charging vehicles where electricity is sold with a commercial transaction to a private user. These are to include e.g.

Council run services, electric charging stations at car parks and service stations or petrol forecourts but are not to include private fleet charging stations. This is a temporary fix to be put in place until the charging stations included are commercially viable.

The DCUSA Secretariat completed an initial draft of an impact assessment and presented this to the Working Group. The Working Group identified a number of actions required to make the analysis fit for purpose. These actions are being progressed. A NESO representative has offered assistance in understanding the TNUoS impacts of this CP. A meeting is in the process of being scheduled and this is being progressed as a matter of priority.

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DCP 388

'Amendments to Facilitate Appropriate Residual Charging for Sites with a Mix of Final and Non-Final Demand'

Impacted Parties - Suppliers, DNOs, IDNOs, CVA Registrants

The intent of this modification is to define "Mixed Demand" Sites and apply a proportionate Residual charge where a Site meets the mixed demand definition.

The Working Group met on 02 October 2023 to review the need for a BSC change. It was agreed that a BSC change was required and that DCP 388 couldn't be progressed until the BSC modification had been defined so DCP 388 has been paused until the Proposer raises the required BSC modification.

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DCPs Awaiting Decision from Ofgem

DCP 412 -

'Discounts from TCR charges for 'peaky' final demand customers' (Expected - TBC)

DCP 452 -

'Correct application of Forward Cost Pricing EDCM charges to users connected directly to a Grid Supply Point' (Expected - TBC)

DCP 466 -

'Tariff Band to follow capacity' (Expected - TBC)

DCPs Awaiting Implementation

DCP 440 -

'Consuming "de-energised" sites' (Implementation date 01/04/2027)

DCP 450 -

'Managing the effects of surplus residual charge in the CDCM' (Implementation date 01/04/2027)

DCP 459 -

'DNO invoices to Embedded DNO' (Implementation date 11/11/2026)

DCP 468 -

'Remove Redundant Data Flow from DTC/EMDS' (Implementation date 05/11/2026)

DCP 481 -

'Notices Under the National Terms of Connection (NTC)' (Implementation date 05/11/2026)

New Accessions

Six Accession Applications were presented to the Panel at the October meeting.

- BBD Energy Limited (Supplier)
- Benthead Solar Limited (CVA Registrant)
- Synergi Engineering Solutions Limited (SIP)
- TMA Data Management Limited (SIP)
- Valley Group Limited (SIP)

- AWM Electrical Service Group Limited (SIP)

The Panel approved the applications to progress.

Standing Issues Group (SIG) Update

The [SIG](#) last met on 25 September. The main topics of discussion are summarised below. The full minutes of the meeting can be found on the DCUSA website.

- DCP 414 and DCP 458 Guidance - Revised DCP 414 and DCP 458 guidance clarifies supplier obligations for providing customer contact information to DNOs and IDNOs, adds exception handling, and reflects current DCUSA legal text. The SIG noted possible remaining issues involving traditional CT meters and agreed that further work may be needed with the DCMDG, potentially through a future DCP. The accompanying customer information template was accepted without concern.
- REP-900 Issues - A member reported inconsistencies in how REP-900 information was populated between DNOs and IDNOs. The member will first assess whether the problems reflect unfamiliarity with the relatively new process; substantive issues may then be consolidated and raised through SIG. The REP-900 issues list has been formally raised as DIF 92 for discussion at the next SIG meeting on 30 October 2026.

Interventions Working Group (IWG) Update

The [IWG](#) have not met again since the previous newsletter was issued. An update will be provided following the next meeting on 04 November.

Distribution Charging Methodologies Development Group (DCMDG) Update

The [DCMDG](#) last met on 15 October. The main topics of discussion are summarised below. The full minutes of the meeting can be found on the DCUSA website.

- The DCMDG discussed a NESO proposal to improve the accuracy of TNUoS tariff setting at the start of new transmission price control periods. Members considered whether updated site-band allocation data could be shared following

re-banding, helping to ensure forecasts are based on the most up-to-date information available.

Digitalisation Update

We are continuously adding new features to our website, based on your feedback, to improve the user experience. Additionally, we regularly add new videos demonstrating new updates. The latest videos can be found on the DCUSA website at the link below:

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Join the DCUSA Digitalisation Development Group (DDDG)

We've set up a forum that reviews ideas and suggestions about how we can improve the DCUSA website.

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Upcoming Meetings/Events

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DCP 474 Working Group Meeting 06
10:00 - 13:00

Oct 22	DCUSA Schedule 20 Cost Information Review Pack Presentations 03 14:00 - 15:00
Oct 23	DCP 424 Working Group Meeting 14 10:00 - 13:00
Oct 27	DDDG Meeting 19 10:00 - 11:00
Oct 27	DDDG Technical Subgroup Meeting 13 11:00 - 12:30
Oct 30	DCUSA Standing Issues Group (SIG) 185 10:00 - 13:00
Nov 03	DCP 443 Working Group Meeting 22 10:00 - 13:00
Nov 04	DCUSA Interventions Working Group Meeting 90 10:00 - 13:00
Nov 04	DCP 480 Working Group Meeting 03 10:00 - 13:00
Nov 04	DCP 482 Working Group Meeting 03 10:00 - 13:00
Nov 05	DCP 467 Working Group Meeting 07 13:00 - 16:00
Nov 09	DCP 461 Working Group Meeting 19 10:00 - 13:00
Nov	DCP 465 Working Group Meeting 07

16	10:00 - 13:00
Nov 17	DIF 64 Subgroup Meeting 07 10:00 - 12:00
Nov 18	DCUSA Panel & Board 10:00 - 16:00

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