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## DCUSA E-Bulletin

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#### Monthly Summary

#### WORKING GROUP UPDATES

##### **DCP 371 'Solutions for a new approach to billing and remittance'**

*The intent of this CP seeks to provide the governance arrangements regarding Distributors' ability to manage consumer devices (such as EV chargers) connected to Smart Meter infrastructure to prevent network overloads in emergency scenarios as a last resort measure.*

- A joint meeting with SEC was held on 14 October 2020 where the main purpose was to review the necessary steps that a DNO should undertake prior to using the last resort solution. ElectraLink took an action to begin to write appropriate Legal Text for the Change to progress.

### **DCPs 352, 353, 354 and 355 'CDCM, EDCM (LRIC), EDCM (FCP) and PCDM Modelling Assumptions Housekeeping'**

*These CPs are intending to clarify and better align the legal text to the CDCM, EDCM (LRIC), EDCM (FCP) and PCDM models.*

- The DCUSA Panel instructed that a Joint Working Group be established to assess the solution for all four of these CPs. There are still a couple of outstanding issues on the assumptions log that require attention and so the Working Group will be reviewing these and producing solutions before Change Reports will be drafted.

### **DCP 349 'Effectiveness of the current provision of unsecured cover under Schedule 1'**

*This CP seeks to mitigate the financial risk associated with supply business failures by strengthening the criteria around the provision of unsecured cover and protect customers from increased socialised failure costs.*

- This Working Group met on 30th September. The plan is to release a consultation on the proposed solutions shortly.

### **DCP 344 'Solutions for a new approach to billing and remittance'**

*This CP seeks to introduce a new approach for billing that will create efficiencies for DCUSA Parties and better facilitate competition.*

- A meeting is to be scheduled for November 2020 and an in-depth update will be provided post meeting.

### **DCP 328 'Use of system charging for private networks with competition in supply'**

*This CP looks to ensure that use of system charging remains cost reflective when competition in supply on a private network is in place.*

- A meeting is to be scheduled for November 2020 and an in-depth update will be provided next month.

### **DCP 325 'Reviewing the requirements of Sections 35A, 35B, Schedule 15 and Schedule 20'**

*This CP seeks to combine, review and if appropriate, amend the requirements of Section 35A and 35B, Schedule 15 and 20 to improve transparency and efficiency in the data published by DNOs.*

- The Secretariat will be seeking guidance from the Proposer and Working Group and as to whether there is capacity to continue progressing the CP and provided there is, the Working Group will pick up from where they left off and look to issue a second consultation with a refined solution and updated model.

### **DCPs Approved at the October DCUSA Panel**

**DCP 374** 'Energy Theft Transition into the Retail Energy Code'

**DCP 375** 'Amendments to the Unmetered Supplies National Terms of Connection'

### **DCPs Awaiting Approval from Ofgem**

**DCP 266** 'The calculation and application of IDNO Discounts'

**DCP 297** 'Network Interventions SLA Enhancement'

**DCP 313** 'Eligibility Criteria for EDCM Generation Credits'

**DCP 343** 'Use of a nominated calculation agent for the calculation of the LV mains split'

**DCP 372** 'Changes to the Theft Code of Practice'

### **DCPs Approved and Scheduled for Implementation**

**DCP 369** 'Theft Charter' **Implementation Date: 05 November 2020**

**DCP 364** 'Provision of Information on Suppliers out of hours Metering Service Provisions' **Implementation Date: 05 November 2020**

**DCP 268** 'DUoS Charging Using HH Settlement Data' **Implementation Date: 01 April 2021**

**DCP 333** 'Appropriate Treatment and Allocation of Eligible Use of System Bad Debt Costs' **Implementation Date: 01 April 2021**

**DCP 341 and DCP 342** 'Removal of residual charging for storage facilities in the CDCM and the EDCM' **Implementation Date: 01 April 2021**

**DCP 356** 'Housekeeping change following the approval of DCP 332 and DCP 268' **Implementation Date: 01 April 2021**

**DCP 363** 'Refining the definition of 'Eligible Electricity Storage Facility' in the EDCM' **Implementation Date: 01 April 2021**

**DCP 361** 'Ofgem Targeted Charging Review (TCR) Implementation – Calculation of Charges' **Implementation Date: 01 April 2022**

### **DCPs Recently Implemented**

**DCP 358** 'Ofgem Targeted Charging Review (TCR) Implementation – Determination of Banding Boundaries' **Implemented 30 September 2020**

**DCP 359** 'Ofgem Targeted Charging Review (TCR) Implementation – customers: who should pay?' **Implemented 30 September 2020**

**DCP 360** 'Ofgem Targeted Charging Review (TCR) Implementation – customers: allocation to bands and interventions' **Implemented 30 September 2020**

**For any further information on any of the DCUSA Change Proposals, please visit the DCUSA Change Register section of the DCUSA website using the following [link](#).**



## DCUSA Key Dates

**Next DCUSA release: 05 November 2020**

### DCPs Sent Back to Panel

**DCP 340** 'Notice period required to recover approved last resort supply payment claims which breach the materiality threshold'

### DCPs in Withdrawal Process

**DCP 314** 'Appropriate treatment of Bad Debt following appointment of Supplier of Last Resort'

### DCPs on Pause

**DCP 362** 'The update of relevant European Union (EU) clauses as a result of Brexit'

## DCUSA Training Day

The **DCUSA Training Day** was held on 28th October 2020 with great success. Thank you to all who attended.

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