

DCUSA SIG Sub-Group for DIF 59 - Meeting 03

16 July at 10:00am: Microsoft Teams

Attendee	Company
Working Group Members	
David Sykes [DS]	Octopus Energy
Richard Brady [RB]	WPD
Alessandra De Zottis [ADZ]	Sempcorp
Terry Carr [TC]	E.ON
Emslie Law [EL]	SSE
Rajni Nair [RN]	Citizens Advice
Ricky Duke [RD]	WPD
Kevin Mukuzvazva [KM]	Fulcrum
Sven Hoffman [SH]	WPD
Andrew Hancock [AH]	Mississippi Energy
Bob Hopkins [BH]	SSEN
Richard Hartshorn [RH]	SSEN
Claire Addison [CA]	Flexitricity
John Noad [JN]	nPower
Donald Preston [DP]	SSEN
Derek Weaving [DW]	British Gas
Thomas Cadge [TC]	BUUK
Chris Allanson [CA]	NPg
Paul Farmer [PF]	Shell Energy
Francesca Barrick [FB]	Ofgem
Code Administrator	
Angelo Fitzhenry (AF) (Chair)	ElectraLink
Richard Colwill [RC]	ElectraLink

Apologies	
Kevin Woollard [KW]	British Gas
Julia Haughey [JH]	EDF

1. Administration

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed the members to the meeting.
- 1.2 The Group reviewed the “Competition Law Guidance”. All members agreed to be bound by the Competition Law Guidance for the duration of the meeting.

2. Minutes

- 2.1 There were no comments or questions and the Group approved the minutes of the last meeting as an accurate record. A version of the minutes can be found in Attachment 1.

3. Impacts on Customer Tariffs and Supplier Charging

- 3.1 AF set out that the purpose of the meeting was to consider the issue raised at the last meeting held on 26 June regarding impacts on customer tariffs and Supplier charging.
- 3.2 An update was provided to the group that DCP 371 had been presented to the DCUSA Panel on 15 July and approved to progress to a Working Group to establish 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.
- 3.3 At the Panel we provided an update regarding the potential for another CP to address the issues raised regarding customer tariffs and Supplier billing. It was questioned if a new CP was needed and whether it could be covered within the governance arrangements being developed under DCP 371.
- 3.4 AF opened the discussion to the group, particularly requesting thoughts on whether they believed this subject could be incorporated into the already approved DCP 371 Working Group. The group were comfortable with this issue being incorporated into the DCP 371 Working Group and it was agreed that this would be added to the DCP 371 Working Group Terms of Reference.
- 3.5 The group had a discussion regarding this issue and what should be captured in the DCP 371 Working Group. Key points are below:
 - This change has direct consequential impacts on Suppliers as the demand side management proposed to be used by Distributors as a last resort measure in this change will be operated via the smart meter infrastructure. Currently only DCC Users in the role of Import Supplier can provide demand control via smart meter infrastructure.
 - BEIS and Ofgem will need to be consulted with to understand the policy decisions regarding demand control via smart meter infrastructure and how this permission is granted.
 - it is important that consequential impacts of this change are considered under DCP 371. Potential impacts raised by this group thus far include:

- How do the suppliers' products/tariffs work when a customer enters into the arrangement with DNOs for this activity to happen?
- What is the impact to tariffs?
- Are there impacts on the Suppliers Terms and Conditions?
- What happens in a scenario where a customer is detrimentally impacted?
- Who is responsible for any metering faults post a DNO intervention?
- What does the customer journey look like?

3.6 It should be noted that the above list is not exhaustive and members of the DIF 59 Sub-Group were invited to email over any items that they wish to be considered by the DCP 371 Working Group. The Secretariat will collate all the items and ensure that they are addressed within the DCP 371 Working Group.

ACTION 03/01: Sub-Group members to email Secretariat with any items/ issues that they would like to be addressed within the DCP 371 Working Group.

Post Meeting Note:

3.7 An invitation to join the DCP 371 Working Group was issued on Friday, 18 July. The first Working Group has been scheduled for Tuesday, 4 August. This first meeting will be used to agree the Terms of Reference and identify consequential impacts of DCP 371.

4. Any Other Business

4.1 There was no other business and the meeting was closed.

Appendix 1

New and open actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
03/01	Sub-Group members to email Secretariat with any items/ issues that they would like to be addressed within the DCP 371 Working Group.	All	

Closed actions

Action Ref.	Action	Owner	Update
01/01	Secretariat to update draft Change Proposal for and circulate to DIF 59 Sub-Group for review.	ElectraLink	Completed
02/01	Sub-Group to review updated version of DCP 371 and provide comments by 12pm Tuesday, 7 July.	All	Completed
02/02	Produce a first draft of the CP outlining the impacts this technical solution may have on customer tariffs and Supplier billing if used by a Distributor in the future.	RH and EL	Not needed as issue will be incorporated into DCP 371. Action closed.