# Summary Information

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| Topic: | DP218 ‘Review of the SEC Charging Methodology’ Request for Information (RFI) |
| Due Date: | 25 June 2024 |
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# Responses to the DP218 RFI questions

## Questions on key drivers for change and guiding principles

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q1 | Do you have any comments and/or insights on the drivers of change identified in this chapter 1? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q2 | Do you have any comments on the guiding principles detailed at figure 4? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on scope of charges under review

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q3 | Do you agree with the scope of this review given the proportion of costs recovered through Fixed Charges in DCC’s cost structure, including the need to better understand and categorise costs (e.g. transaction costs). If not, please explain why. | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on uniform charging

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q4 | Do you agree that future DCC’s charges for the provision of mandated services should continue to be uniform across the country and across SMETS1 and SMETS2 meters? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on the charging basis

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q5 | In your view, what would be a suitable metric to set charges for different User Categories (e.g. Energy Suppliers, Network Operators, Other SEC Parties)? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q6 | Do you identify any risks or barriers in respect of the potential changes in DCC’s monitoring capabilities that might be required to set the basis on which Users are charged? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on data capture requirements on future demand

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q7 | Do you have views on the process through which DCC should collect information on future demand across DCC Users? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q8 | Are there any barriers to providing DCC with such information? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on setting a materiality threshold

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q9 | Do you agree that a materiality threshold would need to be set to continue to enable innovation on the DCC Network, particularly under the DCC Other User role? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q10 | In your view, how low should a threshold based on usage be set to avoid market distortions? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q11 | In your view, which type of organisations should be exempt from paying charges for their intended use of the network? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on ‘Read and Store’ capabilities

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q12 | Do you have any insights on how smart meter data repositories could impact your use of DCC’s network? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on charging option 1

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q13 | Do you agree with our initial assessment of the impact of charging option 1? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q14 | Do you think that the current charging arrangements should be retained or replaced, and why? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on charging option 2

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q15 | Do you agree with our initial assessment of the impact of charging option 2? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q16 | How should weighting factors be calculated and updated? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q17 | Are there any other impacts or design considerations that should be captured under charging option 2? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q18 | How should the risk of under/over recovery be addressed under charging option 2? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on the approach to banding under charging option 3

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q19 | In your view, how should DCC design bands of fixed charges and should they be the same across all User Categories? You can refer to any of the stylised examples described above to answer this question or propose alternative approaches that you would like DCC to consider. | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q20 | What would be a reasonable number of bands to set charges (at least initially)?  | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q21 | How should the differential of charges between bands be determined? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on charging option 3

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q22 | Do you agree with our initial assessment of the impact of charging option 3?  | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q23 | Are there any other impacts or design considerations that should be captured under charging option 3? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q24 | Do you have any comments on the costs your organisation may incur in implementing charging option 3?  | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on charging option 4

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q25 | Do you agree with our initial assessment of the impact of charging option 4?  | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q26 | What type of costs do you think should be recovered through the standing charge?  | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q27 | Are there any other impacts or design considerations that should be captured under charging option 4? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q28 | Do you have any comments on the costs your organisation may incur in implementing charging option 4? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Questions on charging option 5

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q29 | Do you agree with our initial assessment of the impact of charging option 5? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q30 | Do you agree with our views on the granularity of variable charges? Are there any other characteristics that are important differentiate variable charges on? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q31 | Do you agree with our proposed approach to calibrating variable charges?  | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q32 | Are there any other impacts or design considerations that should be captured under charging option 5? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q33 | Do you have any comments on the costs your organisation may incur in implementing charging option 5? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |

## Overarching questions (all charging options)

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| Number | Question | Response |
| Q34 | Which charging model do you think is most viable? Please provide reasons for your response and include evidence to support this where possible. | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q35 | Are there any other charging models that you think should be considered? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q36 | In your view, how does uncertainty about future demand affect the attractiveness of the proposed charging models? | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |
| Q37 | Do you have any comments on the timing for reform implementation?  | [please add your response hereNB the table will resize automatically based on the text added] |