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CHANGE PROPOSAL UPDATE TO PLAN

R0306 REC CHANGE TO ALIGN WITH DCP467 ASSET CONDITION REPORTING

DOCUMENT VERSION	V2.0
PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION DATE	TBD
IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH	Big Bang

RESPONSIBLE COMMITTEE	Metering Expert Panel	**CHANGE PATH**	Authority Determined
PRIORITY STATUS	Standard	**URGENCY**	Standard
IMPACTED STAKEHOLDERS	DNOs, Electricity Suppliers, MOAs, SIPs, Data Collectors, Data Services		

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1 CHANGE OVERVIEW

DCUSA change DCP467 has been raised to propose that Category A and B defects reported currently using the Asset Condition Report (MM00023 / D0135) or via phone call to the Distribution Network Operator (DNO), should instead be reported via an online reporting tool where the DNO has one available. This is expected to have impacts to the REC.

2 RESPONSIBLE COMMITTEE DECISION

On **11 November 2026,** the Metering Expert Panel voted in line with the Code Manager recommendation to:

- **APPROVE** the update to plan for R0306, placing it on hold until solution development has been finalised under DCUSA.

3 CHANGE PLAN UPDATE

In July 2026, an Extension to Plan was approved by the REC Metering Expert Panel.

This allowed for an extended solution refinement period to happen via the DCUSA working group, after the completion of the first REC and DCUSA consultations. This solution refinement period is looking at:

- Standardising the solution further, with a more prescriptive list on what the DNO provided online reporting tools must provide;
- Potentially mandating that DNOs have to use an online portal; and
- The use of the Secure Data Exchange Platform (SDEP) rather than requiring DNOs to provide their own online reporting tool.

This solution refinement period has not yet completed, with DCUSA working groups still on-going and at least one more DCUSA consultation planned. This means that the REC cannot proceed to final vote at the November 2026 Metering Expert Panel meeting as planned.

The Code Manager proposes that as the consequential change to DCP467, R0306 should be placed on hold until the solution has been finalised by the DCUSA working group. Once the solution has been finalised, R0306 would be taken off hold and the following steps completed:

- Review the REC solution to ensure it aligns with that proposed by DCUSA, making any changes necessary;
- Review the planned implementation date alongside DCUSA, as the originally proposed implementation of November 2026 is no longer feasible;
- If required (e.g. if there are significant changes made to the REC solution), conduct a second REC consultation. This should ideally be done before the DCUSA voting period to ensure any comments on the REC solution can be fed back to DCUSA as the lead code for consideration, but could be done alongside the DCUSA voting period if necessary;
- Review the case for change and impacts to REC objectives as set out in the Change Report (For Consultation) to ensure these are still accurate, and make any required changes; and
- Bring the Change Proposal through the REC change process to completion.

If this update to plan is approved and R0306 were placed on hold, the REC Change Team would continue to work with DCUSA and attend the DCUSA working group to feed into DCP467 and identify any REC impacts.