

The LC4A Statements

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Definition of Use of System Charges

Relevant Charging Statement	LC 4A	LC 14A	LC 36C	LC 48
<i>Licence</i>	★			
<i>DUoSA</i>	★		★	
<i>DCUSA</i>	★	★	★	★

- LC 4A – Statement of use of system charges. Backed by LC 4 methodology statement
- LC 14A – Statement of MPAS charges. Payment terms governed by the MRA
- LC 36C – Statement of charges for basic metering services
- LC 48 – Rights to increase charges to compensate a supplier of last resort

Scope and Form of LC4A Statement - 1

■ Core Charges

- *DUoS rates for NHH,HH,UMS, DG*
- *Look up table to link tariff code to settlement technical data*
- *Loss adjustment factors, wide variation in voltage levels and time periods*

■ Ancillary services – not universally specified

- *Status of energisation charges unclear*
- *MPAS charges - wide variation - LC4A or LC14A?*
- *Revenue protection charges*
- *Urgent Metering Services*
- *Radio teleswitching – but no prices, by arrangement*
- *Unmetered supplies administration*

Scope and Form of LC4A Statement - 2

■ Metering Services

- *Incorporated in separate statement of charges*
- *Sometimes referenced in LC4A*
- *One or two instances of two schedules of DUoS with and without MAP services*

■ Information requirements

- *LC requires publication of information on rebates*
- *Varying amounts of information on different topics given. Description of super customer billing a popular feature*

Conclusions

- A common format for publicising use of system charges would make supplier systems more efficient
- Statements should make clear those charges pursuant to Condition 4A of the Licence and those included for convenience by clear labelling. Charges not directly related to DUoS could be shown elsewhere
- MPAS charges are generally segregated but reference should be given to the relevant payment terms. Variation needs rationalising.
- Information in the LC4A should be concerned with interpretation of the scheduled core charges. The description of methodology should be given in the LC4 Methodology Statement.
- Might be appropriate to have separate guidelines document describing super-customer billing – if this is needed
- A common glossary of terms and definitions would be useful. A task for the ENA perhaps?

Thoughts?

