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Dear Nicholas

Consultation on the request from CE to publish use of system (UoS) charges that are not in accordance with its charging methodology

WPD's response to the above consultation is as follows;

The complexity of charging models raises the risk of errors occurring and given this it would be worthwhile raising a DCUSA manifest error process which sets clear guidelines on such issue as materiality before a part year tariff change would be required.

In addition to this, a DCUSA change proposal would provide an opportunity to formalise when part year tariff changes are required as a result of methodology changes – an example being the recent DCP71A where discounts on tariffs to IDNOs impacted very slightly on other users tariffs, however there was no process in place that allowed DNOs to not change these other user tariffs.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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