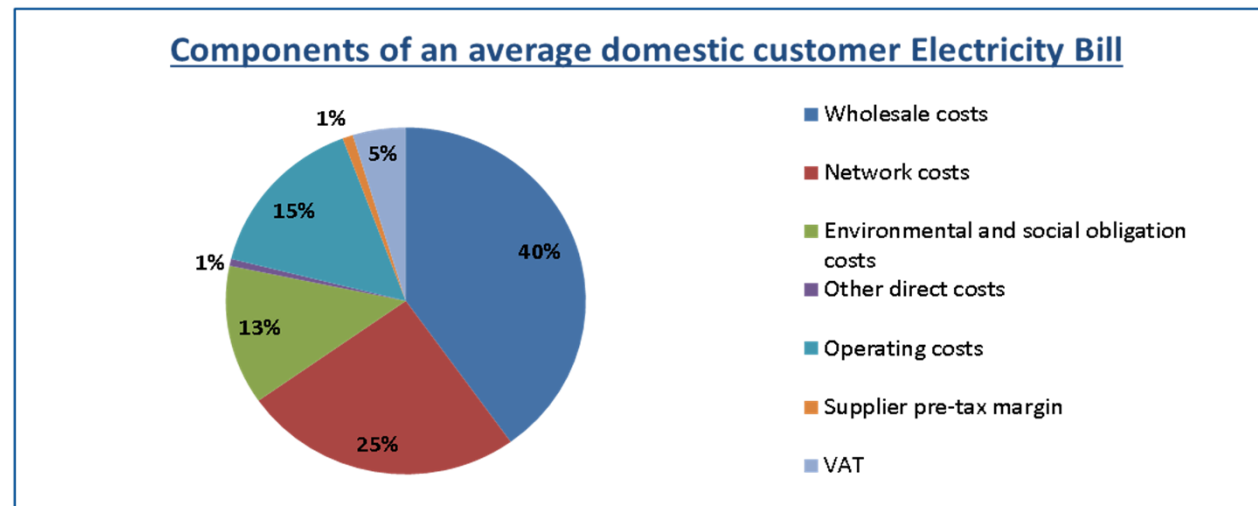


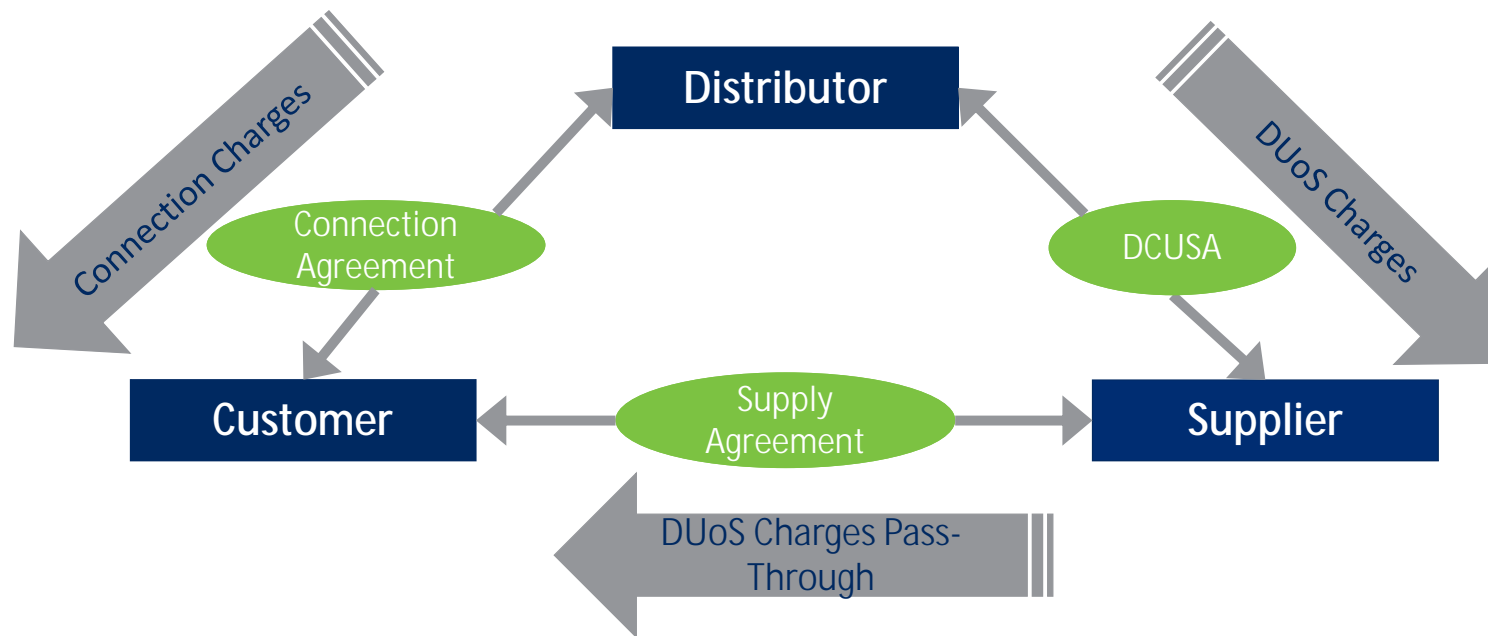
# What are DUoS Charges?

- ∅ Distribution Use of System (DUoS) charges apply to every connection to the distribution network and collect the revenue the Distribution Licensee needs to build, operate, maintain, repair and invest in the network
- ∅ DUoS charges are one component of a customer's electricity bill and typically represent around 15%\* for a domestic customer. The total "Network Costs" (i.e. Distribution and Transmission) account for approximately 25% of the average domestic electricity bill



- ∅ DUoS Charges are not invoiced directly to the customer: the Distribution Network Operator (DNO) invoices the customer's Supplier

# How do DUoS charges differ from Connection Charges?



- Ø A Connection Charge is a one off charge that a DNO invoices to a customer directly in order to recover the costs associated with providing that customer's connection to the network. The specifications of the connection and the basis of the charge is outlined in the Connection Agreement between the Distribution Licensee and the customer
- Ø The DUoS charge is an enduring charge invoiced monthly by the DNO to the customer's Supplier in order to recover the allowed costs associated with providing the electricity distribution network. The Supplier incorporates this within a customer's final supply bill. DUoS charging is governed by the Distribution Connection and Use of System Agreement (DCUSA) which all DNOs are party to

# Governance of DUoS Charging

All DNOs must comply with the rules & obligations specified in the Electricity Distribution Licence Conditions and the DCUSA Agreement.



## Electricity Distribution Licence Conditions

Standard Licence Condition (SLC) documents include:-

- SLC 13: **Distribution Use of System Charging Methodology**  
Which details how we calculate DUoS Charges
- SLC 14: **Distribution Use of System Charging Statement**  
Which lists our DUoS charges in a series of tables



## Distribution Connection and Use of System Agreement (DCUSA)

The DCUSA is an industry contract that sets out the contractual relationships & obligations of key electricity market trading participants; these are licensed Electricity Distributors (which includes DNOs and Independent DNOs) as well as Generators and Suppliers

The DUoS Charging Methodologies applied by all GB Electricity Distributors are prescribed in the DCUSA

<https://www.dcusa.co.uk/SitePages/Home.aspx>

# How are DUoS Charges calculated?

- Ø For information on the topic - please select the “**How are DUoS Charges Calculated?**” button at the right of the screen.