CMP281: CVA Storage Facility Declarations

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**Of Relevance To: Operators of CVA metered Electricity Storage Facilities**

## Background

In May 2020 Ofgem approved CUSC modification CMP281 and instructed it to be implemented from 1st April 2021[[1]](#footnote-1). The CMP281 solution introduces a methodology into the CUSC to remove BSUoS charges from imported volumes to eligible storage facilities. Alongside CMP281 a further modification proposal, [CMP319](https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc-old/modifications/cmp319), was raised to introduce a definition of eligible storage facility to the CUSC and propose a process of self-declaration by Storage Facility Operators to ensure exemption from paying BSUoS on their imported volumes. This guidance note explains how to submit a storage declaration to NGESO and what happens following submission of a declaration.

## How do I declare that my site is a valid Storage Facility?

**SVA metered Electricity Storage Facilities**

For Supplier Volume Allocation (SVA) metered storage facilities, declarations need to be submitted by your Supplier on your behalf. The Supplier submits the declaration to ELEXON under BSCP602. ELEXON then adjusts the volume data to remove import volumes associated with SVA storage facilities and submits this to the ESO which uses the data to calculate Suppliers' BSUoS charges. More information about how to submit a storage declaration on behalf of an SVA metered storage facility can be found on ELEXON's website [here](https://www.elexon.co.uk/csd/bscp602/).

**CVA metered Electricity Storage Facilities**

For Central Volume Allocation (CVA) metered storage facilities, declarations need to be submitted directly to the ESO. Page 2 of this document contains a declaration that the facility meets the definition of a "CVA Storage Facility" as defined in Section 11 of the CUSC and must be signed by a company director. A template to submit further information about the Balancing Mechanism Unit/s (BMU) to which the declaration pertain/s is found in the Annex on page 3. Completed declarations with associated annexes must be returned to NGESO via the following email address [BSUoS.queries@nationalgrideso.com](mailto:BSUoS.queries@nationalgrideso.com) .

## What happens next?

Following receipt of a storage declaration the ESO revenue team will respond within 3 working days with an acknowledgement of receipt and an effective from date after which the declaration will come into force. Note that NGESO reserves the right to determine the validity of a CVA Declaration submitted to it in accordance with Section 11 of the CUSC.

+ no more than 15 Working Days

+ 3 Working Days

Declaration comes into force

Declaration submitted

ESO confirms receipt and effective from date

### CVA Storage Facility Declaration Template

[Insert company name]

[Insert company address]

For the Attention of: NGESO

[BSUoS.queries@nationalgrideso.com](mailto:BSUoS.queries@nationalgrideso.com)

[Insert date]

**Director’s declaration of CVA Storage Facility(ies)**

Dear NGESO Revenue Team,

I [insert full name], being a director of [insert your company name] (company number [insert company number]), hereby declare that, having made all due and careful enquiries, the information contained in this declaration is true, complete and accurate in all material respects and is not misleading by reference to the facts and circumstances at the date of this declaration. Capitalised terms used in this declaration have the meaning given to them in the Balancing and Settlement Code and/or the Connection and Use of System Code unless stated otherwise.

I declare that as of [insert date] the CVA Storage [Facility/Facilities] identified in the annex to this letter [comply with the criteria/will cease to comply with the criteria/ceased to comply with the criteria] in Section 11 of the Connection and Use of System Code. In particular that each CVA Storage Facility to which this declaration relates:

1. performs Electricity Storage (as defined in the Connection and Use of System Code) as its sole function;
2. is operated by [insert your company name] (Storage Facility Operator), which also holds a valid Generation Licence;
3. has its imports and exports measured only by Half Hourly Metering Systems which are registered in the Central Meter Registration Service (CMRS), and as a BM Unit within the Central Registration Service (CRS) and where those Half Hourly Metering Systems only measure activities necessary for performing Electricity Storage; and
4. comprises plant and apparatus registered as part of a BM Unit or BM Units which only perform activities necessary for Electricity Storage, and the BM Units are listed within a bi-lateral agreement.

The specific BM Units which only perform activities necessary for Electricity Storage are identified and described in the annex to this letter.

I declare that any material changes to the operation, configuration or measurement of electricity to or from any CVA Storage Facility identified in the annex to this letter will be notified to you as soon as reasonably practicable.

This director’s declaration is governed by and construed in accordance with English Law.

Yours sincerely,

[Insert Director’s Signature]

[Insert full name]

For and on behalf of: [Insert company name]

Annex: BMU specific information about your CVA Storage Facility

[to be completed and returned to NGESO]

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| Row No. | Storage Facility Name | Storage Facility Address | BMU ID | Tech Type | Declaration ID (where known) | MSID | Import/Export |
| *E.g.* | *Unique name for the Storage Facility* | *Address that identifies the geographical location of the facility, rather than its administrative address, if different)* | *The Balancing Mechanism Unit (BMU) ID for the CVA Storage unit (e.g T\_XXXX)* | *Short description of the electricity storage technology employed* | *Unique ID determined by NGESO following the initial declaration of a facility. This field should only be filled in when updating or ceasing an existing declaration* | *Metering System ID, also known as Meter Point Administration Number* | *Identifies if the Metering System measures electricity flowing into (Imports) or out from (Exports) the facility*  *CHAR(1) (I/E)* |
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1. <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/document/169146/download> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)