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Meeting Name: CUSC Modifications Panel Meeting

Meeting No: 141

Date of Meeting: 26 October 2012

Venue: National Grid House, Warwick

All presentations given at this Modifications Panel meeting can be found in the Modifications Panel area on the National Grid website¹

This note sets out the headlines and key decisions of the most recent meeting of the CUSC Modifications Panel under the CUSC constitution. Full minutes of the meeting will be produced and approved at the next meeting of the Panel and will then be published on the website.

1) Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the CUSC Panel meeting held on 28 September 2012 were APPROVED and will be published on the National Grid website shortly.

2) New CUSC Modification Proposals

CMP214 – Implementation of TNUoS Charging Parameter Updates. This Proposal was raised by National Grid and seeks to alter the implementation of any required updates to the start of charging year after the commencement of the new price control period. The Proposer recommended that CMP214 should be treated as Urgent due to it being an imminent issue as the CUSC requires final 2013/14 tariffs to be published by 31 January, and that it can have a significant impact on the locational element of TNUoS tariffs. The Panel agreed that it meets the urgency criteria and that it should follow the timetable suggested by the Proposer² which includes a 10 day Code Administrator Consultation which is scheduled to be published on 1 November 2012. This is dependent on a decision by Ofgem as to whether CMP214 meets the Urgency Criteria and whether the timetable is suitable.

3) Work Group Updates

CMP201 – Removal of BSUoS Charges from Generation. The Panel acknowledged the Send-back direction issued by Ofgem³ on 25 October 2012, directing that further work was required due to deficiencies in the Final Modification Report. The Panel agreed for the CMP201 Workgroup to reconvene and to carry out the further work identified, after which a further Code Administrator Consultation will be published to gain industry views and the Panel will re-vote and resubmit a Final Modification Report to the Authority for a decision.

¹ <http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/systemcode/Panel/>

² <http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/ronlyres/92624665-E003-4BED-9999-EBF1A66F9EAC/57217/CMP214potentialtimetable.pdf>

³ <http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/ronlyres/B2F90AF1-E255-457C-A5C0-F8123A47E41B/57216/CMP201OfgemSendbackletter.pdf>

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CMP208 – Requirement for NGET to provide and update forecasts of BSUoS Charges each month. The Panel accepted the Workgroup Report, subject to minor clarifications, and agreed for CMP208 to proceed to Code Administrator Consultation for a period of three weeks.

CMP211: Alignment of CUSC compensation arrangements for across different interruption types. The Panel accepted the Workgroup Report and agreed for CMP211 to proceed to Code Administrator Consultation for a period of three weeks.

CMP212: Setting limits for claim: submission, validation and minimum financial threshold values in relation to Relevant Interruptions. The Panel accepted the Workgroup Report and agreed for CMP212 to proceed to the Code Administrator Consultation for a period of three weeks.

CMP213: Project Transmit TNUoS Developments. The Panel agreed to a 2 month extension to CMP213 and for the Workgroup Report to be presented to the Panel in February 2013. The Ofgem Representative supported this approach.

4) Standing Group Updates

Governance Standing Group (GSG). The Panel accepted the updated Terms of Reference for the GSG.

Joint European Standing Group (JESG). The Panel accepted the updated Terms of Reference for the JESG.

5) CUSC Modifications Panel Self-Governance Vote

CMP206 – Requirement for NGET to provide and update year ahead TNUoS Forecasts. The Panel voted unanimously that CMP206 better facilitates the Applicable CUSC Objectives and so should be implemented. Since the Authority directed that CMP206 be treated as Self-governance on Thursday 18th October 2012, the Panel made a determination rather than a recommendation. The 15 business day Appeal Window now commences and closes on 16 November 2012. Pending any appeals, CMP206 will be implemented on 3 December 2012.

6) Authority Decisions

None.

7) Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on 30 November 2012 at National Grid House, Warwick.