

Minutes

Meeting name	CUSC Modifications Panel
Meeting number	164
Date of meeting	25 July 2014
Location	Teleconference

Attendees

Name	Initials	Position
Mike Toms	MT	Panel Chair
Jade Clarke	JC	Panel Secretary
Alex Thomason	AT	Code Administrator
Abid Sheikh	AS	Authority Representative
Patrick Hynes	PH	National Grid Panel Member
Ian Pashley	IP	National Grid Panel Member
James Anderson	JA	Users' Panel Member
Garth Graham	GG	Users' Panel Member
Paul Jones	PJ	Users' Panel Member
Paul Mott	PM	Users' Panel Member
Kyle Martin	KM	Users' Panel Member
Bob Brown	BB	Consumers' Panel Member
Michael Dodd	MD	Users' Panel Member
Joyce Chinyanganya	JCh	National Grid Representative (Proposer)

Apologies

Name	Initials	Position
David Kemp	DK	ELEXON
Simon Lord	SL	Users' Panel Member

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

<http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Electricity-codes/CUSC/Panel-information/>

1 Introductions/Apologies for Absence

4122. Introductions were made around the group. Apologies were given from David Kemp and Simon Lord.

2 Approval of Minutes from the last meeting

4123. The minutes from the last meeting held on 27 June 2014 were approved subject to changes and are now available on the National Grid website.

3 Review of Actions

4124. **Minute 4083: Code Administrator to consider whether there is a more efficient way of making licence changes within the CUSC** – JC noted that in the previous CUSC Panel meeting it was concluded that the Fast Track Process is a transparent process which allows parties to object to the Modification. It also gives the CUSC Panel a clear view of how the changes to the CUSC are replicated from the Transmission Licence and allows them to suggest changes to the Approved CUSC Modification Fast Track Report. It was also noted in the previous meeting that the

'consent to modify' route was not transparent to parties and did not allow for Panel review. JC noted that the Code Administrator considers Fast Track the most appropriate route for certain changes to the Transmission Licence meeting the Fast Track criteria which are then to be reflected within the CUSC.

- 4125. **Minute 4108: JC to check confidentiality of EMR CUSC changes and circulate an email to CUSC Parties** - Complete
- 4126. **Minute 4117: JC to issue an open letter on the Code Administration Code of Practice** – JC noted that this has been drafted and will be circulated after the STC Panel on 30 July 2014.
- 4127. **Minute 4120: AT to check whether the abbreviation CMFTP### could be changed to CMP### (Fast Track) for Fast Track Modifications** – AT noted that CMFTP is not a defined term within the CUSC and to remain consistent with other CUSC Modifications the suggested abbreviation of CMP### (Fast Track) will be used for future Fast Track Modifications.

4 New CUSC Modification Proposals

- 4128. **CMP233 'Amended CUSC Exhibit F (application form for Interconnector and Supplier Use of System applications)**. JCh presented on the background and key points of CMP233. CMP233 seeks to make changes to CUSC Exhibit F to ensure it captures all the required information in the initial application to enable National Grid to process the application effectively and efficiently.
- 4129. GG asked whether this was the application for acceding to the CUSC and whether this includes the allocation of capacity on the network. JCh clarified that this application was for Users of the system only and was not for a physical connection.
- 4130. AS noted that within the draft legal text changes, there was a new requirement to provide a VAT number. AS suggested adding the wording '(if applicable)' after 'VAT number' in the application form in the legal text as not all companies will have a VAT number. JCh agreed to add this to the legal text for the next stage of the Modification.

ACTION: JCh make changes to the draft legal text for CMP233.

- 4131. The CUSC Panel unanimously agreed that CMP233 meets the Self-Governance criteria and that it should progress straight to Code Administrator Consultation. CMP233 will return for Panel vote in September.

5 Workgroups / Standing Groups

- 4132. **CMP227 'Change the G:D split of TNUoS charges, for example to 15:85'**. JC updated the Panel on the Workgroup's progress and stated that the Workgroup was currently commenting on the draft Workgroup Consultation. There is still analysis to be provided for the Workgroup Consultation and once this has been received, the Workgroup Consultation will be ready to be circulated to Industry.
- 4133. JC stated that the Workgroup had suggested that the name of the CUSC Modification 'Reduce the G:D Split of TNUoS Charges, for example to 15:85' was misleading and unclear. JC noted that that Proposer has suggested changing the CUSC Modification name to 'Change the G:D split of TNUoS Charges, for example to 15:85' to help clarify the purpose of the Modification.

4134. GG stated that he was uncomfortable with this change as to 'change' the G:D split could mean that the Generator proportion of charges could increase, which is not what the Modification Proposal set out to achieve. IP stated that this should not happen as the defect, which is written within the report, states that the CUSC Modification aims to reduce the generator proportion of the G:D split.
4135. The CUSC Panel agreed that the name of the Modification could be changed to 'Change the G:D split of TNUoS charges, for example to 15:85'.
4136. **Governance Standing Group (GSG).** GG advised that there had been no GSG meeting since the last CUSC Panel meeting.
4137. **Joint European Standing Group (JESG).** GG advised that there had been no JESG meeting since the last CUSC Panel meeting.
4138. **European Code Coordination Application Forum (ECCAF).** GG stated that there has been no ECCAF meeting since the last CUSC Panel meeting.
4139. **Transmission Charging Methodologies Forum (TCMF).** PH advised that there had been a TCMF on 17th July 2014 and noted that National Grid is due to publish their July TNUoS forecast update shortly and that the TCMF were asked about their feelings on moving the five year forecast to late autumn. PH stated that there was broad support for this.
4140. PH also noted that the TCMF discussed the issue of Exporting GSPs, which is a follow on topic from the Embedded Generation review. The main topic for discussion was around the potential impact of an Exporting GSP on transmission investment requirements. National Grid is engaging with smaller parties and trade organisations that have contact with Embedded Generation, before potentially raising a CUSC Modification on this topic.
4141. PH stated that National Grid fed back on their customer survey results for charging and code development, to further inform their understanding prior to development of an action plan. The TCMF attendees generally agreed with the points raised with no further comment to add.
4142. PH also noted that there was a discussion on streamlining the process for Statement of Works and stated that there may be a CUSC Modification raised soon on Statement of Works to make the process more efficient.
4143. PH stated that National Grid presented on biddable indexation of allowed revenues for offshore networks and that National Grid are hoping to raise a CUSC Modification on Biddable Indexation at the August CUSC Panel meeting.
4144. **Commercial Balancing Services Group (CBSG).** JC stated that there had been no CBSG since the last CUSC Panel meeting. JC advised that the next CBSG is currently being planned for Wednesday 3rd September and invites for the meeting will be sent out soon.
4145. **Balancing Services Standing Group (BSSG).** JC advised that there had been no BSSG since the last CUSC Panel meeting. This group is currently in abeyance.
4146. AT noted that there may be a CUSC Modification on Response Energy Payment raised at the August CUSC Panel meeting.

4147. AS noted that an EU Update had been circulated to Panel members.

7 CUSC Modifications Panel Vote

4148. There were no votes at this meeting.

8 Authority Decisions as at 17 July 2014

4149. The Panel noted that on 26th June 2014 Ofgem had announced their decision to approve **CMP225 'Consequential changes following implementation of the Third Package and other miscellaneous changes'**. This was implemented on 10th July 2014.

4150. AS noted that Ofgem had also released a press release on 11th July announcing their decision to confirm their 'minded to' position to approve CMP213 'Project TransmiT TNUoS Developments' (the WACM2 option) with an implementation date of April 2016. AS noted that the Authority will publish their decision document stating their reasons for this decision within the next couple of weeks.

4151. AS stated that the Authority are still aiming to make a decision on CMP201 'Removal of BSUoS Charges from Generators' this summer. For both CMP222 'User Commitment for Non-Generation Users' and CMP223 'Arrangements for Relevant Distributed Generators Under the Enduring Generation User Commitment', Ofgem is currently preparing impact assessments. CMP224 'Cap on the total TNUoS target revenue to be recovered from generation users' was recently sent out for consultation, with a closing date of 13th August 2014.

9 Update on Industry Codes / General Industry updates relevant to the CUSC

4152. AT noted that at the last Grid Code Review Panel meeting, a paper was raised proposing to bring open governance to the Grid Code. The Grid Code Review Panel have discussed this and referred it to a Workgroup. AT stated that as Code Administrator, National Grid will be looking over this in August and Workgroup meetings will start in September.

10 Relevant Interruption Claims Report

4153. JC gave an update on the recent Relevant Interruption Claims and stated that 5 claims have been received. One claim was rejected as it was not considered valid under CMP212; the four other claims are currently being processed. JC also gave an update on a claim from the previous report which has now been paid.

4154. JC noted that at a previous CUSC Panel meeting Julian Leslie from National Grid had stated that a consequential STC Modification would be required to help prevent National Grid from exceeding their allowed timescales in processing claims. JC noted that this was on the list of STC Modifications to be raised and should be progressed within the next few months.

4155. GG noted that at a previous meeting he had referred to a relevant interruption which affected several power stations, although this was subsequently submitted as one claim. GG noted that it would be helpful if, within the reports produced by National Grid, the amount of power stations affected could be identified.

4156. JC agreed to include this information within future Relevant Interruption Claims Reports.

11 AOB

4157. BB noted that as part of CMP223, it was identified that a consequential DCUSA Modification would be required if CMP223 was implemented. Referring to a previous letter from Ofgem asking Code Administrators to co-ordinate cross code issues, BB asked the Code Administrator to bring CMP223 and this consequential DCUSA Modification to the attention of the DCUSA Panel.

4158. AT stated that the Code Administrator would call Electralink to bring CMP223 to their attention and discuss the most appropriate way to raise this at the DCUSA Panel.

ACTION: JC to call Electralink to discuss consequential DCUSA Modification from CMP223.

4159. AT also stated that Bali Virk who works within the Code Governance team at National Grid is now moving roles, so will no longer take part in CUSC Panel Organisation and Administration.

4160. MT and the CUSC Panel thanked Bali for her work with the CUSC Panel and wish her luck in her new role.

12 Next meeting

4161. The next meeting will be held on 29 August 2014 at National Grid House, Warwick.