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Section 11 - New Definitions

Distribution System Owner	A User who owns or operates a Distribution System .
Distribution Impact Assessment	A document in the form or substantially in the form set out in Exhibit AA to the CUSC produced by a Distribution System Owner detailing the effect of potential connection to the NETS on the Distribution System Owner's Distribution System .
GSP Criteria Consideration Schedule	The live document hosted and published by The Company containing criteria used to define when a Distribution Impact Assessment may be required on a per-Grid Supply Point basis.
Request for a Distribution Impact Assessment	a request in the form or substantially in the form set out in Exhibit Z to the CUSC .

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6.37 DISTRIBUTION IMPACT ASSESSMENT

6.37.1 **The Company** shall upon receipt or acceptance of a **Connection Application** or **Modification Application** to the **National Electricity Transmission System** determine if a **Distribution Impact Assessment** is required as per 6.37.2. Should **The Company** determine a **Distribution Impact Assessment** is required, the provisions of 6.37.6 shall be followed. Should **The Company** determine a **Distribution Impact Assessment** is not required, it shall notify the **User** (who completed a **Connection Application** or **Modification Application**) within 10 business days.

6.37.2 **The Company** shall submit a **Request for a Distribution Impact Assessment** to the relevant **Distribution System Owner(s)** if the **Connection Application** or **Modification Application**;

- a) relates to a proposed **Connection Site** which is located at or electrically adjacent to a substation with a **Grid Supply Point** and.
- b) is deemed to breach that **Grid Supply Point's** threshold ratings according to the current version of the **GSP Criteria Consideration Schedule**

The Company shall provide one **Request for a Distribution Impact Assessment** to each relevant **Distribution System Owner(s)** so that the combined **Distribution Impact Assessments** reflect the impact on the relevant **Distribution System**.

6.37.3 The **GSP Criteria Consideration Schedule** shall be maintained with the most recently received data from each **Distribution System Owner** in accordance with 6.37.4 and published by **The Company** on its website. The criteria shall include the following for each **Grid Supply Point**:

- Fault rating headroom
- Thermal asset rating headroom
- Power quality/harmonics and limits
- Voltage disturbance limits
- Reverse power flow issues
- Active Network Management scheme impacts
- Size of existing **Distribution System** connected demand and/or generation at that **Grid Supply Point**

The above data shall be provided by the **Distribution System Owner** to reflect the **Distribution System** which is equal to all voltages present at the **Grid Supply Point** and the voltage tier immediately below what is present at the **Grid Supply Point**.

6.37.4 Each **Distribution System Owner** shall agree with **The Company** a suitable process and timeframe to ensure the **GSP Criteria Consideration Schedule** remains updated. **The Company** shall publish the **GSP Criteria Consideration Schedule** on its website and update

the **GSP Criteria Consideration Schedule** within 10 business days of receiving updated information from the **Distribution System Owner**. The data provided by the **Distribution System Owner** will remain valid until superseded by more recent data. Should the **GSP Criteria Consideration Schedule** contain no data in respect of a specific Grid Supply Point, a **Request for a Distribution Impact Assessment** shall be required.

- 6.37.5 A **Distribution System Owner** may choose to declare in writing any or all of the criteria set out in 6.37.3 as not applicable in consideration of whether a **Distribution Impact Assessment** should be triggered at a given **Grid Supply Point**. Should no applicable criteria within the **GSP Criteria Consideration Schedule** for that **Grid Supply Point** be exceeded in relation to a new **Connection Application** or **Modification Application** then the requirements of the **Distribution Impact Assessment** shall be deemed to be complete, allowing **The Company** to **Energise** the **User's** project. **The Company** shall inform the **User** of this as soon as reasonably practicable.
- 6.37.6 Where actions in accordance with 6.37.1 to 6.37.5 result in a **Connection Application** or **Modification Application** which requires a **Distribution Impact Assessment**, **The Company** shall as soon as reasonably practicable submit to the relevant **Distribution System Owner(s)** a **Request for a Distribution Impact Assessment**. Such a submission by **The Company** of a **Request for a Distribution Impact Assessment** will be substantially in the form of Exhibit Z. **The Company** shall then within 5 business days of submitting the request inform the **User** (who completed a **Connection Application** or **Modification Application**) that the **Distribution Impact Assessment** process has commenced.
- 6.37.7 **The Company**, shall not **Energise** a connection to nor permit use of the **National Electricity Transmission System** until the requirements of the **Distribution Impact Assessment** and the associated **Modification Offer** and any works required by the **Distribution Impact Assessment** have been completed are completed and this is confirmed in writing by the **Distribution System Owner(s)**.
- 6.37.8 The provisions within 6.37.1 shall apply to any and all new assets within a **Connection Application** or **Modification Application** from any classification of **User**.
- 6.37.9 The **Distribution System Owner(s)** will within 65 calendar days of the submission of a valid **Request for a Distribution Impact Assessment** respond in writing to **The Company** with a **Distribution Impact Assessment** substantially in the form of Exhibit AA. **The Company** shall forward such **Distribution Impact Assessment** to the **User** (who completed a **Connection Application** or **Modification Application**) and **Relevant Transmission Licensee** as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event no more than 15 business days from receipt.

- 6.37.10 **The Company** shall provide both the **Distribution System Owner(s)** and the **User** (who completed a **Connection Application** or **Modification Application**) each with a **Modification Offer** that reflects the requirements of the **Distribution Impact Assessment**. The provisions of paragraphs 6.9.2.2, 6.9.2.3 and 6.9.2.4 shall apply from the date when **The Company** receives the **Distribution Impact Assessment** from the **Distribution System Owner(s)**.
- 6.37.11 Where the **Distribution System Owner(s)** believes the **User** (who completed a **Connection Application** or **Modification Application**) has no significant impact upon the **Distribution System** (for avoidance of doubt, such significant impact involves either party in an expenditure of more than £10,000), the **Distribution Impact Assessment** provided under 6.37.10 shall complete the process, the requirements of the **Distribution Impact Assessment** shall be deemed to be complete (for the purposes of 6.37.7) and **The Company** may **Energise** the **User's** project.
- 6.37.12 Where the **Distribution System Owner(s)** believes the **User** (who completed a **Connection Application** or **Modification Application**) does have a significant impact upon the **Distribution System** (for avoidance of doubt, such significant impact involves either party in an expenditure of more than £10,000), the obligations under 6.37.7 shall not be deemed to be discharged until the requirements of the **Modification Offer** provided under 6.37.10 are completed.
- 6.37.13 **The Company** shall as soon as reasonably practicable notify the **Distribution System Owner(s)** in writing if the proposed date of connection or any other details included in or provided pursuant to the **Request for Distribution Impact Assessment** change. Except where **The Company** and the **Distribution System Owner** agree in writing that a revised **Distribution Impact Assessment** is not reasonably required, changes in details shall require an updated **Request for Distribution Impact Assessment**.
- 6.37.14 Pursuant to paragraph 6.37.12, if the **Distribution System Owner** believes that changes to Appendix F of the **Bilateral Connection Agreement** for the appropriate **Grid Supply Point** and/or changes to their **Distribution System** are necessary, these shall be documented in the **Distribution Impact Assessment** and shall be incorporated in the **Modification Offer** as per 6.37.9.
- 6.37.15 Notwithstanding this section 6.37, for the purposes of **CUSC** Section 7 (**CUSC Dispute Resolution**) the **Distribution Impact Assessment** shall be considered as a **Bilateral Agreement** and the provisions of **CUSC** Section 7 applied accordingly.