

Meeting summary

Transmission Charging Methodologies Forum and CUSC Issues Steering Group 119

Date:	25/11/2021	Location:	WebEx
Start:	10:30	End:	12:00

Participants

Attendee	Company	Attendee	Company
Jenny Doherty (JD)	National Grid ESO (Chair)	Naomi De Silva (NS)	National Grid ESO
Andrew Hemus (AH)	National Grid ESO (Tech Sec)	Alex Aristodemou (AA)	National Grid ESO
Paul Mullen (PM)	National Grid ESO (Presenter)	James Stone (JS)	National Grid ESO
Nick Everitt (NE)	National Grid ESO (Presenter)	Greg Scott-Cook (GS)	Uniper Energy
Damian Clough (DC)	SSE (Presenter)	Daniel de Wijze (DW)	Renewable UK
Ken Doyle (KD)	National Grid ESO (Presenter)	Chia Nwajagu (CN)	Orsted
Dan Hickman (DH)	National Grid ESO (Presenter)	Steven McKnight (SM)	Engie
Harvey Takhar (HT)	National Grid ESO (Presenter)	Aled Moses (AM)	Shell
Jane West (JW)	National Grid ESO	Tom Faulkner (TF)	Cornwall Insight
Ander Madariaga (AM)	Ocean Winds	Matt Cullen (MC)	EON
Nicholas Lescal (NL)	Engie	Josh Logan (JL)	Drax
Alice McCormick (AM)	National Grid ESO	Nicola Fitchett (NF)	RWE
Simon Vicary (SV)	EDF	Andrew Havvas (AHa)	National Grid ESO
Lorna Bushell (LB)	National Grid ESO	Graz MacDonald (GM)	Waters Wye
Neil Bennett (NB)	SSE	Graham Pannell (GP)	Fred Olsen Renewables
Nicola White (NW)	National Grid ESO	Edda Dirks (ED)	SSE

Agenda, slides and modifications appendices

<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc/tcmf-cisg>

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Please note: These notes are produced as an accompaniment to the slide pack presented which can be found here: <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/document/222816/download>

Meeting Opening – Jenny Doherty, National Grid ESO

JD opened the meeting providing an overview of the agenda items for discussion, asked for any AOB items and reviewed the Action Item log which has been updated further below accordingly.

Code Modifications Update - Paul Mullen, Code Administrator National Grid ESO

PM shared details of the progress of current modifications. See slides for more detail.

Discussion themes / Feedback

None

BSUoS Operational Update – Nick Everitt, National Grid ESO

NE gave an update on ESO incentive recovery and recent invoice corrections. See the slides for more detail.

Discussion themes / Feedback

SV asked if any consideration had been given to error recovery being deferred, NE explained that the highest individual customer value was £1000 so with materiality being low it was felt deferring recovery was not considered. SV stated that there have been previous promises to review billing error causes, so it is frustrating this has happened again.

ACTION: ID 21-10 – NE to come back in March and update TCMF with what steps have been taken to stop future billing errors.

Security Factor – Damian Clough, SSE

DC presented potential defects around the Security Factor (SF) asking for feedback while leading the discussion. Please see slides for more detail.

Discussion themes / Feedback

Several stakeholders shared that this overlaps into Ofgem's TNUoS call for evidence. DC asked if the SF modelling could be shared. GN explained that a lot of information around the SF was brought forward on CMP357. DC said although the information is potentially available to build your own model it would take time and effort to do this.

ACTION: ID 21-11 – GN to provide an update on whether the model can be shared.

TCR Securities – Ken Doyle & Dan Hickman, National Grid ESO

KD & DH shared details of a modification they intend to raise to simplify and correct the CUSC following the Ofgem TDR directed modifications CMP334, CMP340/3 and CMP335/6. Once and assuming CMP335/6 is approved, they are looking to raise a modification shortly after which would progress straight to Code Administrator Consultation.

Discussion themes / Feedback

GM asked for clarification around “almost impossible” and whether it is possible for users to submit demand forecasts that would cause the forecasts of use of system charges to differ by more than 20%. DH agreed to clarify this point. NF appreciated the efforts to simplify and correct the CUSC in these areas.

Charging Year / Financial Year housekeeping modification – Harvey Takhar, National Grid ESO

HT shared details of a proposed self-governance housekeeping modification to replace all ‘charging year’ and ‘working day’ terminology used in section 14 with the already defined terms ‘Financial Year’ & ‘Business Day’.

Discussion themes / Feedback

There was general support for this modification from stakeholders.

AOB

- JD shared and discussed moving from WebEx to MS Teams to host TCMF meetings, recording meetings for publishing and how meeting invites are managed. The move to MS Teams received general support and stakeholders’ feedback positively on minimising the sign-up process. On recording future meetings there was some support but also concerns raised about reducing conversation and an ask to continue to produce a meeting summary document. Other feedback asked for the meeting slides to be made available ahead of the meeting.
 - JW updated TCMF on **Action: ID 21-8**, TNUoS and BSUoS bad debt has increased from £5m flagged in October to £11m. BSUoS – PCMF January to recover 1/4/22, TNUoS charge setting process January to recover 1/2/22. Action closed, with new **Action: ID 21-12** to update on BSUoS and TNUoS bad debt running total in January. Stakeholders suggested that this information could be also shared at the weekly the [NGESO Operational Transparency Forum](#) periodically.
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Action Item Log

Action items: In progress and completed since last meeting

ID	Month	Agenda Item	Description	Owner	Notes	Target Date	Status
21-8	Oct 21	ESO Bad Debt Recovery	To provide timeline and forecast dates	JM		Nov 21	Closed
21-9	Nov 21	BSUoS Operational Update	Share proposed approach for NGESO incentive recovery in future years.	NE		Dec 21	Closed
21-10	Dec 21	BSUoS Operational Update	Share proposed approach for NGESO incentive recovery in future years.	NE		Mar 22	New
21-11	Dec 21	Security Factor	Provide an update on whether SF modelling can be shared.	GN		Jan 22	New
21-12	Dec 21	ESO Bad Debt Recovery	Update on BSUoS and TNUoS bad debt running total.	JM		Jan 22	New