

CUSC Modification Proposal Form

CMP383: Updating recovery of CMP381 deferred costs from 1 April 2022

Overview: To enable the ESO to recover the costs deferred under CMP381, a licence change is required. This will not be in place for 1st April 2022. Therefore this modification seeks to change the recovery of CMP381 costs, to when the new licence comes into effect until 31st March 2023.

Modification process & timetable

1	Proposal Form 07 February 2022
2	Workgroup Consultation n/a
3	Workgroup Report n/a
4	Code Administrator Consultation 14 February 2022 - 28 February 2022
5	Draft Final Modification Report 02 March 2022
6	Final Modification Report 14 March 2022
7	Implementation The working day following the ESO licence change coming into effect, allowing recovery of CMP381

Status summary: The Proposer has raised a modification and is seeking a decision from the Panel on the governance route to be taken.

This modification is expected to have a: High impact

Suppliers, Generators, ESO

Proposer's recommendation of governance route	Urgent modification to proceed under a timetable agreed by the Authority (with an Authority decision)	
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What is the issue?

Balancing Use of System (BSUoS) charges are used by National Grid Electricity System Operator (ESO) to recover the costs of balancing the system. These are recovered from demand and generation users in £/MWh per half hourly period based on MWh of energy imported or exported onto the transmission system.

Ofgem has directed the ESO to implement WACM4 of CMP381, which applies a cap on the BSUoS price at £20/MWh to all settlement periods from 17th January 2022 to 31st March 2022. Any costs deferred under this cap, under CMP381, would then be recovered between 1st April 2022 and 31st March 2023 equally each settlement day, volume weighted throughout the day.

A licence change is required, to allow the ESO to recover these costs. Ofgem are currently consulting on this licence change¹ which is due to close on 25th February 2022. Should Ofgem approve this licence change, it will only come into effect 56 days following any decision. There is insufficient time for the licence change to be effective before costs are due to be recovered on 1st April 2022. Therefore, it is not possible to start recovery as per the current CUSC wording. This does not have any impact on the end date (31st March 2023) for recovering CMP381 costs.

Why change?

The ESO is unable to recover these costs, until a licence change is made.

This modification is required to give industry visibility of the dates over which the CMP381 costs will be recovered.

What is the proposer's solution?

To begin recovery of the costs deferred under CMP381 from the working day after the licence change comes into effect.

The date of this is not currently know, however the Proposer is seeking a decision before this modification concludes and therefore can provide clarity in the CUSC on the exact start date for recovery (as the licence will be in effect 56 days after Ofgem's decision). The end date for recovery will remain unchanged on 31 March 2023.

Draft legal text

The draft text can be found below. There are currently two suggested approaches, both of which achieve the same outcome, but differ in simplicity. The Proposer would welcome feedback from Panel on the best approach to take forward.

First option

Highlighted in brackets is a placeholder for the working day after the licence goes live. This date is not known today, but will be known before the modification concludes, and

¹ <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/statutory-consultation-proposal-modify-licence-held-electricity-system-operator>

legal text updated once this is known. This would provide a more simple and transparent view to industry of the specific dates over which recovery will happen.

14.30.24 During the **Financial Year 2022/23**, between **[xxx 2022]** and **31 March 2023 inclusive**, the formula in 14.30.10 shall be updated so that Exceptional Costs (BSUoSEXC_d) in **Settlement Day** d are added as follows;

$$BSUoSEXT_{jd} = CSOBM_{jd} + BSCCV_{jd} + [(BSCCA_d + TotAdj_d - OM_d + BSC_d + SOTOC_d + LOCTRU_d + BSUoSEXC_d) * (TQM_{ijd} + SGQM_{ijd}) / \sum_{j \in d} (TQM_{ij} + SGQM_{ij})]$$

Where

BSUoSEXC_d, is the cumulative total deferred value of the Exceptional Costs Support Scheme, including any administrative or financing cost borne by **The Company**, as agreed by the **Authority**.

Second option

We could link back to the licence, without specifying the exact date.

14.30.24 During the **Financial Year 2022/23**, beginning the **Business Day** following the necessary licence changes coming into effect to implement recovery of CMP381 deferred costs and **31st March 2023 inclusive**, the formula in 14.30.10 shall be updated so that Exceptional Costs (BSUoSEXC_d) in **Settlement Day** d are added as follows;

$$BSUoSEXT_{jd} = CSOBM_{jd} + BSCCV_{jd} + [(BSCCA_d + TotAdj_d - OM_d + BSC_d + SOTOC_d + LOCTRU_d + BSUoSEXC_d) * (TQM_{ijd} + SGQM_{ijd}) / \sum_{j \in d} (TQM_{ij} + SGQM_{ij})]$$

Where

BSUoSEXC_d, is the cumulative total deferred value of the Exceptional Costs Support Scheme, including any administrative or financing cost borne by **The Company**, as agreed by the **Authority**.

What is the impact of this change?

Proposer's assessment against CUSC Charging Objectives

Relevant Objective	Identified impact
(a) That compliance with the use of system charging methodology facilitates effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity and (so far as is consistent therewith) facilitates competition in the sale, distribution and purchase of electricity;	Neutral
(b) That compliance with the use of system charging methodology results in charges which reflect, as far as is reasonably practicable, the costs (excluding any payments between transmission licensees which are made under and accordance with the STC) incurred by transmission licensees in their transmission businesses and which are compatible with standard licence condition C26 requirements of a connect and manage connection);	Neutral
(c) That, so far as is consistent with sub-paragraphs (a) and (b), the use of system charging methodology, as far as is reasonably practicable, properly takes account of the developments in transmission licensees' transmission businesses;	Positive Ensures that the ESO can recover the deferred costs under CMP381, as per the licence change currently being consulted on
(d) Compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency *; and	Neutral
(e) Promoting efficiency in the implementation and administration of the system charging methodology.	Neutral

*Objective (d) refers specifically to European Regulation 2009/714/EC. Reference to the Agency is to the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER).

Proposer's assessment of the impact of the modification on the stakeholder / consumer benefit categories

Stakeholder / consumer benefit categories	Identified impact
Improved safety and reliability of the system	Neutral
Lower bills than would otherwise be the case	Neutral
Benefits for society as a whole	Neutral
Reduced environmental damage	Neutral
Improved quality of service	Neutral

When will this change take place?

Implementation date

Implementation date will be from the working day following the ESO licence change comes into effect, allowing recovery of CMP381.

Date decision required by

31st March 2022 – ahead of when costs are due to be recovered on 1st April 2022

Implementation approach

The ESO will continue to implement recovery of the deferred costs as per the approach set out in CMP381 (i.e. equally each settlement day, volume weighted throughout the day). The only change is the dates over which recovery will take place.

Proposer's justification for governance route

Governance route: Urgent modification to proceed under a timetable agreed by the Authority (with an Authority decision)

The Proposer believes that this is an imminent issue or a current issue that if not urgently addressed may cause: A significant commercial impact on parties, consumers or other stakeholder(s) and therefore meets Ofgem's Urgency Criteria (a)

The Proposer believes this has a "significant commercial impact" on all BSUoS liable users, as it changes the timeframes over which the CMP381 costs are recovered, therefore as much visibility of this change as possible is important.

The Proposer believes that this is an imminent issue or a current issue that if not urgently addressed may cause: A party to be in breach of any relevant legal requirements and therefore meets Ofgem's Urgency Criteria (c)

The Proposer argues that, without this change, the ESO could be in "breach of legal requirements", as currently the CUSC requires the ESO to recover costs from 1st April 2022, which is not currently allowed under the ESO's licence.

Interactions

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Grid Code | <input type="checkbox"/> BSC | <input type="checkbox"/> STC | <input type="checkbox"/> SQSS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> European Network Codes | <input type="checkbox"/> EBR Article 18 T&Cs ² | <input type="checkbox"/> Other modifications | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

No interactions identified

Acronyms, key terms and reference material

Acronym / key term	Meaning
BSC	Balancing and Settlement Code
CMP	CUSC Modification Proposal
CUSC	Connection and Use of System Code
EBR	Electricity Balancing Regulation
STC	System Operator Transmission Owner Code
SQSS	Security and Quality of Supply Standards
T&Cs	Terms and Conditions

Reference material

- None

² If your modification amends any of the clauses mapped out in Exhibit Y to the CUSC, it will change the Terms & Conditions relating to Balancing Service Providers. The modification will need to follow the process set out in Article 18 of the Electricity Balancing Guideline (EBR – EU Regulation 2017/2195) – the main aspect of this is that the modification will need to be consulted on for 1 month in the Code Administrator Consultation phase. N.B. This will also satisfy the requirements of the NCER process.