

CUSC Alternative Form

CMP298 WACM2:

Overview: Removal of the re-work fee (charged from the ESO to the DNO) when errors in the requirements of Transmission Impact Assessment have been made.

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What is the proposed alternative solution?

Should the DNO make an error in its (generally) monthly return on changes to each GSP under the Transmission Impact Assessment there are incidental costs borne by the ESO in having to recheck the revised submission. These incidental costs are expected to be minor and indistinguishable from costs recovered by other mechanisms and therefore should not be charged to the DNO. This cross charging in itself creates additional transaction costs for both parties. Note that the original proposal provides no recourse for the DNO to recovery any costs, let alone any additional costs caused by an error by the ESO.

What is the difference between this and the Original Proposal?

The Original Proposal includes re-work charges if any material errors are identified by the ESO when confirming if requirements of Transmission Impact Assessment are met when them being excluded from this Alternative.

What is the impact of this change?

Proposer's Assessment against CUSC Non-Charging Objectives	
Relevant Objective	Identified impact
(a) The efficient discharge by the Licensee of the obligations imposed on it by the Act and the Transmission Licence;	Positive: There are new obligations on whole system and this removes unnecessary cross charging of costs
(b) Facilitating effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity, and (so far as consistent therewith) facilitating such competition in the sale, distribution and purchase of electricity;	Positive: The removal of the re-work charge streamlines the process and will speed up the process thereby facilitating speedier connections
(c) Compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency *; and	None
(d) Promoting efficiency in the implementation and administration of the CUSC arrangements.	Positive: Removal of the re-work charge brings a number of benefits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The costs incurred will be marginal and therefore incidental

- It removes the administrative burden of raising and paying invoices
- It removes a hurdle in the efficient processing of changes
- Any charges to the DNO would be socialised and therefore it adds an unnecessary step

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

When will this change take place?

Implementation date:

As per CMP298 Original

Implementation approach:

As per CMP298 Original

Acronyms, key terms and reference material

Acronym / key term	Meaning
DNO	Distribution Network Operator
ESO	Electricity System Operator

Reference material:

1. None