

# CUSC Panel Minutes: 29 July 2022

## CUSC Panel Minutes: Meeting Number 300

**Date:** 29/07/2022      **Location:** Microsoft Teams

**Start:** 10:00am      **End:** 12:30pm

### Participants

Attendee	Initials	Company
Trisha McAuley	TM	Independent Panel Chair
Paul Mullen	PM	Code Administrator, National Grid Electricity System Operator
Banke John–Okwesa	BJO	Technical Secretary, Code Administrator, National Grid Electricity System Operator (Alternate)
Claire Huxley	CH	National Grid Electricity System Operator (Alternate)
Andy Pace	AP	Users' Panel Member
Andrew Enzor	AE	Users' Panel Member
Binoy Dharsi	BD	Users' Panel Member
Cem Suleyman	CS	Users' Panel Member
Garth Graham	GG	Users' Panel Member
Mark Duffield	MD	Users' Panel Member (Alternate)
Scott McPhillimy	SMP	Authority Representative (Alternate)
Apologies	Initials	Company

Ren Walker	RW	Technical Secretary, Code Administrator, National Grid Electricity System Operator
Joseph Dunn	JD	Users' Panel Member
Paul Jones	PJ	Users' Panel Member
Nadir Hafeez	NH	Authority Representative
Karen Thompson - Lilley	KTL	National Grid Electricity System Operator
<b>Observers/Presenters</b>	<b>Initials</b>	<b>Company</b>
Nicholas Rubin	NR	BSC Representative
Rein De Loor	RDL	National Grid Electricity System Operator
Catia Carvalho Gomes	CCG	Code Administrator, National Grid Electricity System Operator
Sade Adenola	SA	National Grid Electricity System Operator (Presented updates on GC0156 Electricity System Restoration Standard)

### 1. Introductions, Apologies for Absence and declaration of interests

11563. Apologies were received from Ren Walker, Joe Dunn, Paul Jones, Nadir Hafeez and Karen Thompson – Lilley.

### 2. Approval of minutes from previous meetings

11564. The meeting minutes from the CUSC Panel held on 24 June 2022 were approved.

### 3. Action log

11565. The CUSC Panel reviewed the open actions from the meeting held on 24 June 2022, which can be found on the Actions Log.

### 4. Chair update

11566. The Chair advised the Panel that the Code Administrator Manager, Kirsten Shilling, will be moving on to a new role and that Jennifer Groome will temporarily fill in until the position is filled permanently.

### 5. Authority decisions

11567. SMP confirmed that no decisions on CUSC Modifications have been made since the Panel meeting that was held on 24 June 2022.

#### Awaiting Decisions

11568. SMP provided an update at the Panel on Modifications awaiting decisions. The summary table below sets out which Modifications are with the Authority for decision, together with the expected decision date:

<b>Modification</b>	<b>What this seeks to achieve</b>	<b>Expected Decision Date</b>
<b>CMP292</b>	Introducing a Section 8 cut-off date for changes to the Charging Methodologies	Expected decision date of TBC in 2022 (previously 30 June 2021 and latterly 30 September 2021) as Ofgem still consider this to be low priority.
<b>CMP298</b>	Process for aggregated assessment of Distributed Generators that impact (or may impact) on the National Electricity Transmission System.	Decision expected 30 November 2022 in accordance with Ofgem's latest published expected decision dates table. Associated STC Modification (CM080) to be presented to August 2022 STC Panel for recommendation vote.
<b>CMP328</b>	Establish the process when any connection triggers a Distribution impact assessment.	Decision expected 30 November 2022 in accordance with Ofgem's latest published expected decision dates table. The Final Modification Report for the associated STC change (CM078) was issued to Ofgem on 7 June 2022.
<b>CMP361/CMP362</b>	Introduce an ex-ante fixed volumetric BSUoS tariff set over a total fix and notice period of 14 months (CMP361) and introduce and update required definitions into CUSC section 11 from CMP308 and CMP361 (CMP362)	Ofgem's latest expected decision dates table (as at 22 July 2022) indicated a decision date of 26 August 2022; however at CUSC Panel on 29 July 2022 Ofgem advised that the impact assessment consultation ahead of this decision won't be issued in July 2022 as originally planned. This impact assessment consultation is planned to be issued by end of August 2022 and means CMP361 and CMP362 decisions will be delayed - Ofgem to advise of revised expected decision date.
<b>CMP388</b>	Transmission Demand Residual (TDR) minor clarifications	Final Modification Report was sent to Ofgem on 6 July 2022. Ofgem's latest expected decision dates table (as at 22 July 2022) indicates a decision date of 30 September 2022.
<b>CMP389</b>	Changes related to Transmission Demand Residual (TDR) band boundaries	Final Modification Report was sent to Ofgem on 6 July 2022. Ofgem's latest expected decision dates table (as at 22 July 2022) indicates a decision date of 30 September 2022.
<b>CMP390</b>	Updating Connection application forms to enable disclosure of information to government for purposes of the National Security and Investment (NSI) Act 2021	Final Modification Report was sent to Ofgem on 6 July 2022. Ofgem's latest expected decision dates table (as at 22 July 2022) indicates a decision date of 3 February 2023.

## 6. New modifications

11569. No new modifications were presented to the Panel.

## 7. In Flight Modification Updates

11570. PM talked the Panel through the progression of the in-flight modifications. The in-flight modifications can be found within the CUSC Panel papers pack on the National Grid ESO website via the following link:

<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/calendar/cusc-panel-meeting-17>

11571. PM also presented the latest rolling 12-month cross code view of all the Workgroups currently planned in and when Workgroup Reports and Draft Final Modification Reports are planned to be presented to the Panel, together with a view of modifications that are likely to be raised in the same period.

[CMP286 & CMP287: Improving TNUoS Predictability through Increased Notice of the Target Revenue \(CMP286\) and Inputs \(CMP287\) used in the TNUoS Tariff Setting Process](#)

11572. PM advised the Panel that at the Workgroup meeting on 7 July 2022, the Workgroup agreed that it was prudent to bring out the impacts more clearly and clarify and update the assumptions made in the analysis. Therefore, the Workgroup Report will be presented to the September 2022 Panel rather than the July 2022 Panel. The CUSC Panel agreed to the revised timeline.

[CMP330 & CMP374: Allowing new Transmission Connected parties to build Connection Assets greater than 2km in length & CMP374: Extending contestability for Transmission Connections](#)

11573. PM advised the Panel that a Workgroup meeting was held on 27 June 2022 at which a revised timeline was agreed to allow sufficient time to finalise the legal text and agree implementation/transitional arrangements. The Workgroup Report will be presented to the October 2022 Panel. The CUSC Panel agreed to the revised timeline.

[CMP363 & CMP364: TNUoS Demand Residual charges for transmission connected sites with a mix of Final and non-Final Demand & Definition changes for CMP363](#)

11574. PM stated that the CUSC Panel on 27 May 2022 agreed that a further scenario needed to be explored before the Workgroup Report could be signed off. This was specifically the metering solution for a site with generation and / or substantial on-site consumption or storage to demonstrate that it is technically feasible to apply CMP363 at such generation and storage sites. A Workgroup meeting was held on 27 July 2022 for the Workgroup to decide if the proposed changes can be incorporated and if so agreed, to issue the updated Workgroup Report to the Panel on 3 August 2022 for agreement via circulation (by 5pm on 10 August 2022) (**Post Meeting Note: Workgroup Report issued to Panel 3 August 2022**).

11575. The CUSC Panel agreed to the revised timeline and that the revised workgroup report could be circulated to the Panel for offline agreement as to whether the Workgroup have met their Terms of Reference.

[CMP392: Transparency and legal certainty as to the calculation of TNUoS in conformance with the Limiting Regulation](#)

11576. PM advised the Panel that the first Workgroup will be held on 9 August 2022 as the Panel (on 24 June 2022) prioritised CMP392 as Medium rather than “High” or “Medium to High”. Therefore, the Workgroup Report will be presented to the January 2023 Panel rather than the November 2022 Panel. The Panel agreed to the revised timeline.

[CMP393: Using Imports and Exports to Calculate Annual Load Factor for Electricity Storage & CMP394: Removing Generation Charges from Electricity Storage Operators in Positive TNUoS Zones](#)

11577. PM confirmed that the first Workgroup will be held on 2 September 2022 as the Panel (on 24 June 2022) prioritised CMP392 as Medium rather than “High” or “Medium to High”. 3 additional Workgroups have been added as well to allow for further analysis. The Panel agreed to the revised timeline.

## 8. Discussions on Prioritisation

11578. The Panel reviewed the Prioritisation Stack and made no further changes. The next in-depth review was planned to be carried out at the July 2022 Panel. However, it was decided that it would be prudent to delay this to the August 2022 Panel as there is discussion planned at the TNUoS Taskforce meeting on 10 August 2022 as to how each in-flight Modification interacts with the work of the TNUoS Taskforce. In addition, no updated justification was provided by Proposers ahead of this meeting.

The current prioritisation stack can be found via the following link:

<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/document/264701/download>

## 9. Workgroup Reports

11579. No Workgroup Reports were presented to Panel.

## 10. Draft Final Modification Reports

[CMP288: Explicit charging arrangements for customer delays and backfeeds](#)

11580. PM delivered a presentation on CMP288. PM advised the Panel that CMP288 seeks to introduce explicit charging arrangements to recover additional costs incurred by Transmission Owners and TNUoS liable parties as a result of transmission works undertaken early due to a user initiated delay to the completion date of the works, or to facilitate a backfeed.

11581. PM advised that no Workgroup Alternatives were taken forward as WACMs and the Proposer withdrew their support for CMP289 on 26 May 2022 following the Workgroup Consultation, as they believed a consequential change was no longer required. There were no requests from industry to adopt support of CMP289 within the withdrawal window and this was withdrawn at the CUSC Panel on 24 June 2022.

11582. PM confirmed that the CMP288 Code Administrator Consultation was held from 27 June 2022 to 5pm on 18 July 2022 and received 6 non-confidential responses. The key points from respondents were:

- 3 respondents were supportive of the change and implementation approach, with 1 respondent adding that this minimises the risk of end consumers being exposed to additional costs of user-initiated delays. Another respondent argued that this ultimately improves transparency of costs.
- The other 3 respondents weren't supportive as no detail has been provided on the delay charge methodology and there was a lack of evidence and transparency. A respondent suggested that the Transmission Owners proactively engage with Users and therefore remove the issue that CMP288 seeks to address.

- After the Workgroup concluded, NGET became aware that the updated T2 licence arrangements specify a much more substantial Ofgem approval of TO Charging Statements and argue that this provides a much greater level of oversight on any changes proposed by the Transmission Owners, including the power for the Authority to reject changes.
- No legal text issues were identified.

11583. The Panel held their recommendation vote on CMP288. The Panel by majority recommended that the CMP288 Original solution should not be implemented. (**Post Meeting Note: The CMP288 Final Modification Report was submitted to Ofgem on 10 August 2022**).

## 11. Standing Groups

### Transmission Charging Methodology Forum (TCMF)

11585. CH advised the Panel that the TCMF meeting was held on 7 July 2022. The papers and presentations for this meeting can be found via the following link:

<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/calendar/jesg-meeting-12-july-2022>

The next TCMF meeting will be held on 4 August 2022.

### Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)

11586. GG advised that the JESG meeting was held on 12 July 2022. The papers and presentations for this meeting can be found via the following link:

<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/calendar/jesg-meeting-12-july-2022>

The JESG meeting on 9 August 2022 has been postponed and the next JESG meeting will be held on 13 September 2022.

### Governance Standing Group

11587. No further updates for the Panel.

### EU Codes

11588. No further updates for the Panel.

## 12. Update on other Industry Codes

11589. NR advised that Elexon are currently running their Panel elections. Nominations are to be published early August 2022. Also, following discussions with ESO colleagues, Elexon's [Issue 100](#), which seeks to enable distribution-connected Plant to participate in an updated version of the Electricity System restoration process (currently defined as Black Start in the BSC), has now been placed on hold to keep up with progress of [GC0156](#) and to incorporate relevant outputs from work being done by the Markets and Funding subgroup.

## 13. Relevant Interruptions Claim Report

11590. GG noted that there are two outstanding claims (80 and 84) awaiting payment and it will be worth checking with the ESO Connections team to determine reasons for delay in payment. PM agreed to confirm). **ACTION**

#### 14. Governance

11591. No further updates for the Panel.

#### 15. Horizon Scan

11592. No further updates for the Panel.

#### 16. Forward Plan Update

11593. No further updates for the Panel.

#### 17. AOB

##### **Electricity System Restoration Standard**

11594. SA and NG from National Grid ESO delivered a presentation on Electricity System Restoration Standard (ESRS) ([GC0156: Facilitating the Implementation of the Electricity System Restoration Standard](#))

11595. SA explained that the asks of CUSC Panel are:

- To note that changes may be required to the CUSC in respect of the ESRS with the Grid Code providing the initial development work which may then result in consequential changes to the CUSC, especially if further funding is required in specific areas
- To request if any CUSC Panel Representatives or related parties would be interested in joining one of the GC0156 Subgroups or the GC0156 Workgroup most especially the Markets and Funding Mechanism as outcomes will impact the CUSC. (Post Meeting Note: a separate email communication was sent to CUSC distribution list on 10 August 2022)

**The next monthly CUSC Panel meeting will be held on Friday 26 August 2022 via Microsoft Teams.**