

STCP Modification Proposal Form

PM0137:

Queue

Management

Coordination

Procedure

Overview:

A new procedure to ensure effective coordination and collaboration between STC Parties in respect of the ESO’s administration of Queue Management changes applied in CUSC via recently approved modification [CMP376](#).

Modification process & timetable

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Initial STCP Proposal

08 January 2024

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Approved STCP Proposal

31 January 2024

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Implementation

TBC

Status summary:

The Proposer has raised a modification and is seeking a decision from the Panel on whether the modification should be implemented.

This modification is expected to have a:

Medium impact

ESO; Onshore Transmission Owners

Proposer’s assessment of materiality

A Material Change

Who can I talk to about the change?

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What is the issue?

On 13 November 2023 Ofgem approved modification [CMP376](#) which applied a Queue Management policy in the CUSC.

The responsibility for administering and enforcing these new arrangements lies with ESO (The Company), however they will need some support from relevant Transmission Owners (TOs).

Additionally, the TOs will require visibility of policy positions agreed between ESO and connection customers, plus any associated enduring policy interactions during the connections journey, in order to effectively manage associated transmission works.

Why change?

There are multiple routes to ensure collaboration and coordination between the ESO and Onshore TOs for administration of the Queue Management policy. The least onerous route to achieve this is seen to be an amendment to the STC.

This option not only sets a minimum standard for coordination activities on Queue Management matters but does so transparently in the codes for all industry stakeholders.

What is the proposer's solution?

Establish a new STC Procedure – STCP18-7 - to govern the coordination interactions between The Company and relevant TOs for administering and enforcing the CUSC Queue Management Process, specifically:

- Data exchange for relevant details as agreed with customers in Appendix Q.
- Data exchange for any communications in relation to enduring milestone compliance.
- Coordination to review and verify submitted evidence to demonstrate compliance (if needed).
- Coordination to review and determine whether customer requests for compliance Exceptions are valid (if needed).
- Consultation between ESO and relevant TOs prior to contract termination being initiated at the discretion of ESO

Legal text

See Appendix 1

What is the impact of this change?

Proposer's assessment against STC Objectives

Relevant Objective	Identified impact
(a) efficient discharge of the obligations imposed upon transmission licensees by transmission licences and the Act	Positive Ensures optimum alignment between ESO and Onshore TOs for delivery of transmission connections.

(b) development, maintenance and operation of an efficient, economical and coordinated system of electricity transmission	Positive Ensures optimum alignment between ESO and Onshore TOs for delivery of transmission connections
(c) facilitating effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity, and (so far as consistent therewith) facilitating such competition in the distribution of electricity	Neutral Indirectly supports effective facilitation of the CUSC Queue Management policy.
(d) protection of the security and quality of supply and safe operation of the national electricity transmission system insofar as it relates to interactions between transmission licensees	Neutral N/A
(e) promotion of good industry practice and efficiency in the implementation and administration of the arrangements described in the STC	Positive Ensures optimum alignment between ESO and Onshore TOs for delivery of transmission connections
(f) facilitation of access to the national electricity transmission system for generation not yet connected to the national electricity transmission system or distribution system;	Neutral Indirectly supports effective facilitation of the CUSC Queue Management policy
(g) compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency.	Neutral N/A

Proposer's assessment against the STCP change requirements ¹	Proposer's assessment
(a) the amendment or addition does not impair, frustrate or invalidate the provisions of the Code	Requirement met
(b) the amendment or addition does not impose new obligations or liabilities or restrictions of a material nature on Relevant Parties which are not subsidiary to the rights and obligations of the Relevant Parties under the Code	Requirement met
(c) the amendment or addition is not inconsistent or in conflict with the Code, Transmission Licence Conditions or other relevant statutory requirements	Requirement met

¹ STCP changes may only be made if they meet the requirements in Section B, 7.3.2

(d) the Relevant Party Representatives deem that the amendment or addition is appropriate to support compliance with the Code	Requirement met
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When will this change take place?

Implementation date

As soon as possible

Implementation approach

Amendment made to STC and subsidiary documents, and relevant STC Parties agree ways of working (including methods to transfer data electronically).

Interactions

☐ Grid Code ☐ BSC ☒ CUSC ☐ SQSS
☐ European ☐ Other ☐ Other
 Network Codes modifications

This modification is a consequence of Ofgem's approval of the CMP376 modification in CUSC

Panel Determination

Party	Determination
National Grid (ESO)	To be updated following Panel determination
National Grid (TO)	To be updated following Panel determination
Offshore Transmission Owners (OFTOs)	To be updated following Panel determination
Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc (SHET)	To be updated following Panel determination
SP Transmission Limited (SPT)	To be updated following Panel determination

Acronyms, key terms and reference material

Acronym / key term	Meaning
BSC	Balancing and Settlement Code
PM	Procedure Modification
CUSC	Connection and Use of System Code
STC	System Operator Transmission Owner Code
SQSS	Security and Quality of Supply Standards
TO	Transmission Owners
ESO	Electricity System Operator

Reference material

- Legal Text