Code Administrator Meeting Summary

Meeting name: CMP434 & CM095 Workgroup 19

Date: 20/08/2024

Contact Details

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Key areas of discussion

The key area for discussion in Workgroup 19 was to review the updated Proposer's solution. The Chair noted quoracy and began the Workgroup.

Timeline Update

The Chair stated that the timeline has not been updated but is awaiting an update from an Authority decision.

Key Changes to CMP434

Regarding Element 11, a Workgroup member asked a question around specific amounts of TEC. Some Workgroup members were concerned that installed capacity is not fully defined, however the ESO noted they had made this change based on Workgroup Consultation responses.

The Chair requested more detail on the solution for Element 11 from the ESO as Workgroup members were not clear on which parts would be within methodologies and what would be codified. Workgroup members stated that they were unable to raise Alternative Requests without this further detail.

The Workgroup members requested clarity on the solution for Element 12.

The Workgroup members raised some questions for Element 13. One member raised that it has been stated before that the ESO did not have the capacity to be able to do the 100% duplicate checks, and questioned how they will be able to do this now. The ESO have stated that they need to internally figure out how to do the 100% duplicate checks, but that they will be doing it. It was raised that the wording of some of the new solutions needs to be changed. Overall, for this element, clarity is needed on the wording and on what will be codified.

Workgroup members discussed location boundaries within Element 14, but there was no concerns or rebuttals to the element being removed.

There were no changes and, therefore, no discussion for Element 15 and 16.

The Workgroup members raised queries about the process in Element 17. The ESO clarified that it is the same as it is now, but the application will be progressed as part of Gate 2 process. They also raised a query in relation to what information is needed for a BEGA and BELLA application, does it need to have the same information as a Gate 1 application. The ESO said this needs to be checked.

There were no issues raised for Element 18.



Solution Updates for CM095

There are no specific STC changes. However, changes will be made to STCPs.

The Workgroup members raised that they needed to ensure that CM095 has agenda time.

Alternative Requests

Alternative 1 was proposed by Engie. The main subject of this alternative is to have the wider works date only become firm after the planning stage and introduce a financial commitment for projects at Gate 1. Workgroup members debated on various aspects of the alternative, such as what types of connections get firm dates, and if this proposal could help remove sterile projects. Debate was had on if an earlier non-firm date should be given before the firm date.

Next steps

Actions to be circulated to Workgroup members.

Actions						
Action numbe r	Workgroup Raised	Owner	Action	Comment	Due by	Status
11	WG2	All	Add agenda time to respond to papers provided by Workgroup members	Ongoing	WG4	Open
20	WG6	JN/AQ	Consider legal perspective on NESO designation	Remain open until new solution discussed	TBC	Open
22	WG6	JH	Consider if an impact assessment by the ESO on the proposed solution is achievable within the current timescales		TBC	Open
24	WG7	MO	Consult ESO legal team to consider using existing legal definitions for clarification (substantial modification) and reconsider terminology being used (material/significant/allowable)	To remain open until legal text review	TBC	Open
31	WG9	МО	More detail requested by Workgroup to make a judgement on Connection Point and Capacity Reservation (including offshore)	Remain open until new solution discussed	TBC	Open
35	WG10	AC/AQ	ESO to confirm whether additional uncertainty clauses (which have been appearing in offers recently) will remain		TBC	Open
38	WG11	MO	Updated Action: To expand on licence change conditions/obligations,		TBC	Open

			including any suggested changes to the Licensed offer timescales			
40	WG11	RF	To share licence changes programme timescales with Workgroup		TBC	Open
41	WG12	PM	To share analysis/feedback which informs the Gate 2 period offer acceptance to submission of application for Planning Consent		TBC	Open
43	WG16	DH/GL	Investigate whether changes are required to STCP 18-7 based on the CMP434 solution	Anticipated that no changes need to be made, but will confirm this once it has been investigated further	ASAP	Open
49	WG17	MO	Updated action: SMEs to share a short summary of the methodologies, timescales and the underlying principles of this modification. This should include a plan for engagement with stakeholders.		TBC	Open
50	WG18	AQ	Provide the ESO view on the legal position associated with Element 1 of the Proposal in the context of the Ofgem decision-making process on code change		TBC	Open
51	WG18	НМ	Provide further explanation/evidence on the perceived flexibility / timing differences between changing the content of a methodology and changing the content of a code.		TBC	Open
52	WG18	MO	Review consultation responses from directly connected Demand Users and provide an update on intentions for Element 3.		TBC	Open
53	WG18	DD/SG	Clarify whether developer requested changes within a Significant Modification Application could potentially be so significant that they result in an application having to be restarted or		TBC	Open

			having the contract terminated, etc		
54	WG18	RPa/AP	Clarify whether the ESO will still be providing indicative dates to DNOs Pre-Gate 2	TBC	Open
55	WG18	DD	Re-review consultation feedback specific to the ESO position on any Non-GB Projects (as consulted on within the WG Consultation) and either confirm that the position still remains unchanged or confirm new position to the Workgroup.	TBC	Open
56	WG18	MO	Confirmation of whether financial instruments will be raised as a separate modification.	TBC	Open
57	WG18	AQ	Consider Innova response and confirm whether ESO feels that Element 9 is consistent with Electricity Regulations in terms of discrimination.	TBC	Open
58	WG18	PM	Clarify whether anything in Proposal could allow the Gate 2 criteria to be amended and applied retrospectively i.e. with a Gate 2 project then no longer being a Gate 2 project, even where it is complying with its ongoing compliance obligations.	TBC	Open
59	WG19	PM	Element 11 – Produce examples to provide clarification to the Workgroup (slide 25) on how using installed capacity could work in practice	TBC	Open
60	WG19	OM	Element 11 – Consider Workgroup Member request to provide analysis to show which projects could benefit from the Proposals (slide 26) to have a milestone adjustment ability for ESO e.g. where a developer asks for an earlier date and gets a later date, or asks for and gets a later date (but this is due to a normal programme timescales e.g. mega projects) to avoid unintended outcomes.	TBC	Open
61	WG19	RPa/MO	Element 17 - To confirm BEGA application information	TBC	Open

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			i.e. in relation to what happens where a relevant small or medium EG project gets a different GSP to what they expected (as a result of the Gate 2 process and via the DNO) (Garth's question)		
62	WG19	RPa	Element 17 – To provide a pictorial representation of BEGA/BELLA process as proposed	TBC	Open
63	WG19	RPa	Element 17 – Create an additional swimlane/s for chevron diagram for BEGA/BELA	TBC	Open

Attendees

Name	Initial	Company	Role
Claire Goult	CG	Code Administrator, ESO	Chair
Lizzie Timmins	LT	Code Administrator, ESO	Chair
Stuart McLarnon	АН	Code Administrator, ESO	Tech Sec
Ruby Pelling	RP	ESO	Proposer
David Halford	DH	ESO	Proposer
Lee Wilkinson	LW	Ofgem	Authority Representative
Alex Ikonic	Al	Orsted	Workgroup Member
Allan Love	AL	SPT	Workgroup Member
Anthony Cotton	AC	Green Generation Energy Networks Cymru Ltd	Workgroup Member
Bill Scott	BS	Eclipse Power Networks	Workgroup Member
Brian Hoy	ВН	Electricty North West Limited (ENWL)	Workgroup Member
Ed Birkett	EB	Low Carbon	Workgroup Member
Deborah MacPherson	DM	Scottish Power Renewables	Workgroup Member
Garth Graham	GG	SSE Generation	Workgroup Member
Grant Rogers	GR	Qualitas Energy	Workgroup Member
Greg Stevenson	GS	SSEN Transmisson (SHET)	Workgroup Member
Charles Yates	CY	Fred Olsen Seawind	Workgroup Member
Helen Stack	HES	Centrica	Workgroup Member
Kyran Hanks	KH	CUSC Panel member	Workgroup Member
Luke Scott	LS	Northern Powergrid	Workgroup Member
Mark Field	MF	Sembcorp Energy (UK)	Workgroup Member

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Michelle M Sandison	MS	SSEN	Workgroup Member
Andy Dekany	AD	NGV	Workgroup Member
Paul Jones	PJ	Uniper	Workgroup Member
Paul Youngman	PY	Drax	Workgroup Member
Ravinder Shan	RS	FRV TH Powertek Limited	Workgroup Member
Richard Woodward	RW	NGET	Workgroup Member
Rob Smith	RS	Enso Energy	Workgroup Member
Sam Aitchison	SA	Island Green Power	Workgroup Member
Claire Hynes	СН	RWE	Workgroup Member
Wendy Mantle	WM	SPEN	Workgroup Member
Andrew Yates	AY	Statkraft	Workgroup Member
Mohammad Bilal	MB	UK Power Networks	Workgroup Member
Zygimantas Rimkus	ZR	Buchan Offshore Wind	Workgroup Member