

Stage 02: Workgroup Consultation

Connection and Use of System Code (CUSC)

CMP256

‘Potential consequential changes to the CUSC as a result of CMP244’

CMP256 seeks to introduce consequential changes to Section 3 and 11 of the CUSC, as a result of charging modification CMP244. CMP244 is seeking to change Section 14 of the CUSC to increase the length of the notice period for TNUoS tariffs which is currently 2 months.

This document contains the discussion of the Workgroup which formed in December 2015 to develop and assess the proposal. Any interested party is able to make a response in line with the guidance set out in Section 4 of this document.

Published on: 8th December 2015
Length of Consultation: 5 Working days
Responses by: 15th December 2015



The Workgroup concludes:

To be completed following the Workgroup Consultation



High Impact:

All parties liable for TNUoS and Transmission companies

What stage is this document at?

01	Initial Written Assessment
02	Workgroup Consultation
03	Workgroup Report
04	Code Administrator Consultation
05	Draft CUSC Modification Report
06	Final CUSC Modification Report

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About this document

This document is a Workgroup consultation which seeks the views of CUSC parties and any other interested parties in relation to the issues raised by the CMP256 CUSC Modification Proposal which was raised by EDF Energy and developed by the Workgroup. Parties are requested to respond by **5pm** on **15th December** to CUSC.team@nationalgrid.com using the Workgroup Consultation Response Proforma which can be found on the following link:
<http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Electricity-codes/CUSC/Modifications/CMP256/>

Document Control

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0.1	30/11/2015	Code Administrator	Draft Workgroup Consultation to Workgroup for comment
0.2	08/11/2015	Code Administrator	Final version Workgroup Consultation issued to Industry



Any Questions?

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1 Summary

- 1.1 CMP256 is a CUSC Modification proposal raised by EDF Energy and submitted to the CUSC Modifications Panel (the Panel) for their consideration in November 2015. A copy of this proposal is provided in Annex 1. The CUSC Panel agreed that CMP256 should be considered by a Workgroup and decided it appropriate for the existing CMP244 Workgroup to consider CMP256 alongside CMP244. The Panel requested CMP256 to be sent out for a 5 day Workgroup Consultation and then aim to proceed to Code Administrator Consultation alongside CMP244.
- 1.2 The CMP256 proposal seeks to introduce consequential changes to Section 3 (Use of System) and Section 11 (Interpretation and Definitions) of the CUSC as a result of CMP244 (these changes are vital to give effect to CMP244, if it were passed). CMP244, if passed, would extend the TNUoS tariff notice period to a period of (initially) at least 15 months and now 6 to 8 months under the revised Original Proposal. Although CMP244 has yet to be agreed, this modification seeks to ensure that changes to the other sections of the CUSC can be implemented in parallel with the changes to Section 14 if adopted under CMP244.
- 1.3 It was proposed by the Panel that following an initial Workgroup and Workgroup Consultation for CMP256, that CMP244 and CMP256 should be considered together, in particular, with a joint Code Administrator Consultation. See Figure 1 for an illustration of the indicative process for both modifications.

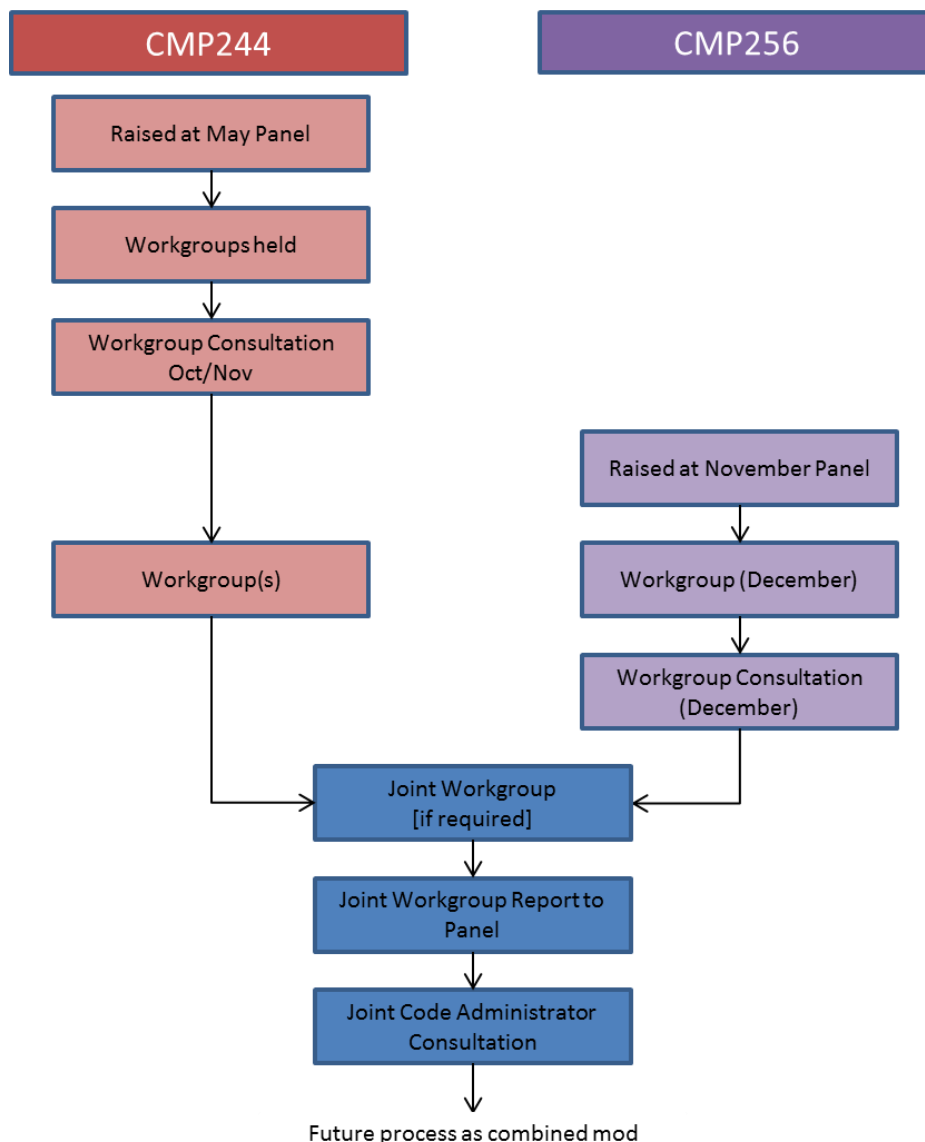


Figure 1: Indicative Process for CMP244, CMP256 and how they will be dealt with together in future.

- 1.4 This document describes the Original CMP256 CUSC Modification Proposal (the Proposal), and summarises the deliberations of the Workgroup. The Workgroup met on 1st December 2015 with a membership the same as that for the CMP244 Workgroup. A copy of the Workgroup Terms of Reference is provided in Annex 2.
- 1.5 **Neither the CMP256 Workgroup nor this Workgroup Consultation seek to cover the material that has previously been subject to the Workgroup Consultation for CMP244.** The CMP244 Workgroup Consultation¹ was issued on 22 October 2015 for an extended period of 20 working days and closed on 19 November 2015. The responses are now being considered by the Workgroup.
- 1.6 Following this CMP256 Consultation, the Workgroup will consider any responses, vote on the best solution to the defect and present a joint report along with CMP244 to the Panel at the January 2016 Panel meeting.
- 1.7 The remainder of this document is structured as follows:
- Section 2: Key Issues and Summary
 - Section 3: Impacts and Implementation
 - Section 4: How to respond to the consultation
- 1.8 This Workgroup Consultation has been prepared in accordance with the terms of the CUSC. An electronic copy can be found on the National Grid Website, <http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Electricity-codes/CUSC/Modifications/CMP256/>, along with the Modification Proposal Form.
- 1.9 For further information on CMP244, please visit the National Grid website via the following link for all previous publications; <http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Electricity-codes/CUSC/Modifications/CMP244/>

¹ CMP244 Workgroup Consultation: <http://www2.nationalgrid.com/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=43484>

2 Key Issues and Summary of Workgroup Discussions

- 2.1 In May 2015, CMP244 'Set final TNUoS tariffs at least 15 months ahead of the charging year' was raised by EDF. Following analysis at the CMP254 industry Workgroup, the Proposer decided to modify the Original Proposal to suggest an extended notice period of 6-8 months for TNUoS tariffs. This modified CMP244 Original Proposal is currently within the Workgroup development stage (its Workgroup consultation closed on 19th November 2015).
- 2.2 As part of the Workgroup analysis, the CMP244 Workgroup identified that whilst it was a charging modification (which if approved would require change to aspects of section 14 – Charging Methodologies of the CUSC) there are in fact some minor references outside section 14 of the CUSC that would require change should CMP244 be approved. However these could not be addressed via CMP244 as it is a charging modification seeking to amend Section 14 of the CUSC and therefore will be assessed against the Applicable Charging Objectives. Any modifications to the CUSC outside of Section 14 – Charging Methodologies are assessed against the CUSC Objectives (not Charging).
- 2.3 At the CMP256 Workgroup, members agreed to proceed to Workgroup Consultation with their proposal to align the changes to Section 3 and 11 (CMP256) with those to Section 14 (CMP244), and to seek views from industry on their proposed approach via this Workgroup Consultation.
- 2.4 The Workgroup noted that this modification does not deal with the defect and proposals identified in CMP244, but rather the consequential changes required to Sections 3 and 11 of the CUSC if CMP244 is approved. Any implementation for CMP256 would be conditional and dependent on the implementation of CMP244, with the aim to implement both modifications on the same day (if approved by the Authority).

Impacts on the CUSC Sections 3 and 11 arising from CMP244

- 2.5 The consequential changes identified in CMP244, which are dependent on the final form of CMP244 are as follows, and are covered by the Original Proposal are as follows:

CUSC Section 3.14.3 (Use of System)

- 2.6 Section 3.14.3 needs alteration if CMP244 modification is passed; currently the legal text states "*The Company shall give the User not less than 2 months prior written notice of any revised charges*". Should CMP244 be approved, Section 3.14.3 would need to be changed to reflect the final revised notice period agreed by the CMP244 Proposer or any alternative proposals agreed by the CMP244 Workgroup.
- 2.7 The final form of changes to Section 3.14.3 will be dependent on the solution decided by CMP244.

CUSC Section 11 (Interpretation and Definitions)

- 2.8 Section 11 currently defines the TNUoS tariff forecasting timetable as 'an annual timetable prepared and published by The Company by the end of January of each Financial Year (t) which sets out when The Company will publish updates in Financial Year (t+1) (being not less than quarterly) to the forecast of Transmission Network Use of System Charges for the Financial (t+2)'.
2.9 Should CMP244 be approved, Section 11 would need to change to reflect the final revised forecasting timetable agreed as part of CMP244.
- 2.10 If any other consequential CUSC changes (outside of Section 14) are required by CMP244, these will also be included within CMP256.

3 Impacts and Implementation

Proposed Implementation and Transition

- 3.1 It is proposed to make any changes under CMP256 conditional upon, and at the same time as, those implemented to Section 14 under CMP244. The result is that all sections of the CUSC will be updated concurrently to reflect any change in the TNUoS notice period.
- 3.2 Details of the Proposed Implementation and Transition for CMP244 were detailed in the Workgroup Consultation².

Impact on the CUSC

- 3.3 The changes to the CUSC required by this modification are those to Section 3 and 11, consequential on CMP244.

CUSC	3.14.3	" The Company shall give the User not less than 2 months prior written notice of any revised Transmission Network Use of System charges"
	Section 11	Definition of tariff forecast timetable: requirement to publish 4 quarterly forecasts in t-1

Impact on Greenhouse Gas Emissions

- 3.4 None identified.

Impact on Core Industry Documents

Changes to the System Operator / Transmission Owner Code (STC)

- 3.5 Changes to the STC have been highlighted in the CMP244 Workgroup Consultation. There are no further changes required as a result of this modification.

Changes to Transmission Owner licences

- 3.6 Changes to the Transmission Owner licences have been highlighted in the CMP244 Workgroup Consultation. There are no further changes required as a result of this modification.

Impact on other Industry Documents

- 3.7 None identified.

² CMP244 Workgroup Consultation:
<http://www2.nationalgrid.com/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=43484>

4 How to respond to the consultation

- 4.1 This Workgroup is seeking the views of CUSC Parties and other interested parties in relation to the issues noted in this document, and specifically in response to the questions highlighted in the report and summarised below:

Standard Workgroup Consultation questions:

- Q1:** Do you believe that CMP256 proposal (Potential consequential changes to the CUSC as a result of CMP244) better facilitates the Applicable CUSC Objectives?
- Q2:** Do you support the proposed implementation approach?
- Q3:** Do you have any other comments?
- Q4:** Do you wish to raise a Workgroup Consultation Alternative request for the Workgroup to consider?

- 4.2 Please send your response using the response proforma which can be found on the National Grid website via the following link: <http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Electricity-codes/CUSC/Modifications/CMP256/>

- 4.3 In accordance with Section 8 of the CUSC, CUSC Parties, BSC Parties, the Citizens Advice and the Citizens Advice Scotland may also raise a Workgroup Consultation Alternative Request. If you wish to raise such a request, please use the relevant form available at the weblink below:

http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/systemcode/amendments/forms_guidance/

Views are invited upon the proposals outlined in this report, which should be received by **5pm on Tuesday 15th December 2015**. Your formal responses may be emailed to: cusc.team@nationalgrid.com

- 4.4 If you wish to submit a confidential response, please note that information provided in response to this consultation will be published on National Grid's website unless the response is clearly marked "Private & Confidential", we will contact you to establish the extent of the confidentiality. A response marked "Private & Confidential" will be disclosed to the Authority in full but, unless agreed otherwise, will not be shared with the CUSC Modifications Panel or the industry and may therefore not influence the debate to the same extent as a non-confidential response.
- 4.5 Please note an automatic confidentiality disclaimer generated by your IT System will not in itself, mean that your response is treated as if it had been marked "Private and Confidential".

Connection and Use of System Code (CUSC)

Title of the CUSC Modification Proposal
Potential consequential changes to the CUSC as a result of CMP244
Submission Date
19 th November 2015
Description of the Issue or Defect that the CUSC Modification Proposal seeks to address
<p>In May 2015, CMP244 ('Set final TNUoS tariffs at least 15 months ahead of the charging year') was raised by EDF.</p> <p>Following analysis at the industry Workgroup, the Proposer decided to modify the Original Proposal to suggest an extended notice period of 6-8 months for TNUoS tariffs. This modified CMP244 Original Proposal is currently within the Workgroup development stage (its Workgroup consultation closed on 19th November 2015).</p> <p>As part of the Workgroup analysis, the Workgroup identified that whilst this was a charging modification (which if approved would require change to aspects of section 14 - Charging Methodologies of the CUSC) there are in fact some minor references outside section 14 of the CUSC that would require change should CMP244 be approved. However these could not be addressed via CMP244 as it is a charging modification seeking to amend Section 14 of the CUSC and therefore will be assessed against the Applicable Charging Objectives. Any modifications to the CUSC outside of Section 14 – Charging Methodologies are assessed against the CUSC Objectives (not Charging).</p> <p>Consequently this modification has been raised to detail the required changes to Section 3 and Section 11 of the CUSC. It is suggested that this Modification is amalgamated with CMP244, and the detailed CUSC changes be taken forward should CMP244 be approved.</p>
Description of the CUSC Modification Proposal
It is proposed that sections 3 and 11 of the CUSC (and any other sections outside section 14 deemed appropriate by the CMP244 Workgroup) are modified as detailed below to reflect any changes to section 14 should CMP244 be approved. This will ensure that sections 3 and 11 of the CUSC align with section 14, in order to provide clarity to CUSC parties.

Impacts on the CUSC

Under the current Original Proposal for CMP244, Section 3.14.3 needs alteration if the modification is passed; currently the legal text states “*The Company shall give the User not less than 2 months prior written notice of any revised charges*”. Should CMP244 be approved, this would need to be changed to reflect the final revised notice period agreed by the CMP244 Proposer or any alternative proposals agreed by the CMP244 Workgroup.

Section 11 currently defines the TNUoS tariff forecasting timetable as ‘*an annual timetable prepared and published by The Company by the end of January of each Financial Year (t) which sets out when The Company will publish updates in Financial Year (t+1) (being not less than quarterly) to the forecast of Transmission Network Use of System Charges for the Financial (t+2)*’.

Should CMP244 be approved, this would need to change to reflect the final revised forecasting timetable agreed as part of CMP244.

The suggested amendments above are to be developed by the CMP244 Workgroup and depending on whether the Proposer changes their Original Proposal or any alternatives are agreed, the Workgroup may consider with Code Administrator’s advice whether any other parts of the CUSC need amendment.

Do you believe the CUSC Modification Proposal will have a material impact on Greenhouse Gas Emissions? Yes / No

No

Impact on Core Industry Documentation. Please tick the relevant boxes and provide any supporting information

BSC **N**

Grid Code **N**

STC **N** – If CMP244 is approved the STC will need a simple parallel amendment to specify that transmission owners give necessary information to National Grid’s charging team in sufficient time for any future approved TNUoS forecasting timetable. Modification CMP256, to make minor amendments to non-charging sections of the CUSC (outwith CMP244, as that is a charging mod) if CMP244 is passed, does nothing to add to or detract from this effect of CMP244. It merely ensures that CMP244 can properly be given effect in CUSC wording, including the part of the CUSC outwith section 14 where CMP244, as a “charging” modification, cannot change the wording.

Other **N** : If CMP244 is approved, it is possible that Ofgem may review some of the parameters in the RIIO-T1 price control to ensure that TOs can efficiently finance themselves given the need to stabilise revenues collected by TNUoS 6-8 months ahead. However, Modification CMP256, to make minor amendments to non-charging sections of the CUSC (outwith CMP244, as that is a charging mod) if CMP244 is passed, does nothing to add to or

detract from this effect of CMP244.

Both of these impacts on core industry documentation are being considered as part of CMP244.

Urgency Recommended: Yes / No

No

Justification for Urgency Recommendation

n/a

Self-Governance Recommended: Yes / No

No

Justification for Self-Governance Recommendation

n/a

Should this CUSC Modification Proposal be considered exempt from any ongoing Significant Code Reviews?

There are no relevant SCRs in process.

Impact on Computer Systems and Processes used by CUSC Parties:

No impact

Details of any related modification proposal you have raised to other industry codes

CMP244 'Set final TNUoS tariffs at least 15 months ahead of the charging year'

Justification for CUSC Modification Proposal with Reference to Applicable CUSC Objectives:

This section is mandatory. You should detail why this Proposal better facilitates the Applicable CUSC Objectives compared to the current baseline. Please note that one or more Objective must be justified.

Please tick the relevant boxes and provide justification:

(a) the efficient discharge by The Company of the obligations imposed upon it by the Act and the Transmission Licence

(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.

(c) compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency.
These are defined within the National Grid Electricity Transmission plc Licence under Standard Condition C10, paragraph 1.

Objective (c) was added in November 2011. This refers specifically to European Regulation 2009/714/EC. Reference to the Agency is to the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER).

Please tick the relevant boxes to show where the proposal better meets that objective than baseline, and then provide justification.

Justification:

a) National Grid is obliged to comply with Modification Proposals approved by the Authority and integrated into the CUSC. Where the two do not align as intended then this leads to inefficiency and a lack of clarity for CUSC parties.

b) Generators and Suppliers pay TNUoS charges to access the National Electricity Transmission System. These costs end up in the final prices passed on to GB consumers. The proposed changes herewith will bring greater clarity in the CUSC to the notice period Suppliers and Generators will receive for their TNUoS tariffs, and to the forecasts they will receive ahead of final tariffs being published. This will enable both Generators and Suppliers to more clearly account for the impact of TNUoS costs into their prices, reducing uncertainty and thus improving competition.

Additional details

Details of Proposer: (Organisation Name)	Binoy Dharsi, EDF Energy
Capacity in which the CUSC Modification Proposal is being proposed: (i.e. CUSC Party, BSC Party or "National Consumer Council")	CUSC Party
Details of Proposer's Representative: Name: Organisation: Telephone Number: Email Address:	Binoy Dharsi, EDF Energy, Binoy.Dharsi@edfenergy.com
Details of Representative's Alternate: Name: Organisation: Telephone Number: Email Address:	Paul Mott, EDF Energy, 0203 126 2314, Paul.Mott@edfenergy.com
Attachments (Yes/No): NO	

Contact Us

If you have any questions or need any advice on how to fill in this form please contact the Panel Secretary:

E-mail cusc.team@nationalgrid.com

Phone: 01926 653606

For examples of recent CUSC Modifications Proposals that have been raised please visit the National Grid Website at <http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Electricity-codes/CUSC/Modifications/Current/>

Submitting the Proposal

Once you have completed this form, please return to the Panel Secretary, either by email to jade.clarke@nationalgrid.com and copied to cusc.team@nationalgrid.com, or by post to:

Jade Clarke

CUSC Modification Proposal Form v1.6

CUSC Modifications Panel Secretary
National Grid Electricity Transmission plc
National Grid House
Warwick Technology Park
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Warwick
CV34 6DA

If no more information is required, we will contact you with a Modification Proposal number and the date the Proposal will be considered by the Panel. If, in the opinion of the Panel Secretary, the form fails to provide the information required in the CUSC, the Proposal can be rejected. You will be informed of the rejection and the Panel will discuss the issue at the next meeting. The Panel can reverse the Panel Secretary's decision and if this happens the Panel Secretary will inform you.

Workgroup Terms of Reference and Membership

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR CMP256 WORKGROUP

CMP256 seeks to introduce consequential changes to Section 3 and 11 of the CUSC, as a result of charging modification CMP244. CMP244 is seeking to change Section 14 of the CUSC to increase the length of the notice period for TNUoS tariffs which is currently 2 months.

Responsibilities

1. The Workgroup is responsible for assisting the CUSC Modifications Panel in the evaluation of CUSC Modification Proposal **256 'Potential consequential changes to the CUSC as a result of CMP244'** tabled by EDF Energy at the CUSC Modifications Panel meeting on 27th November 2015.
2. The proposal must be evaluated to consider whether it better facilitates achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives. These can be summarised as follows:

Use of System Charging Methodology

(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;

(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 in accordance with the STC) incurred by transmission licensees in their transmission businesses and which are compatible with standard condition C26 (Requirements of a connect and manage connection);

(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.

(d) compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency.
These are defined within the National Grid Electricity Transmission plc Licence under Standard Condition C10, paragraph 1.

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).

3. It should be noted that additional provisions apply where it is proposed to modify the CUSC Modification provisions, and generally reference should be made to the Transmission Licence for the full definition of the term.

Scope of work

4. The Workgroup must consider the issues raised by the Modification Proposal and consider if the proposal identified better facilitates achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives.
5. In addition to the overriding requirement of paragraph 4, the Workgroup shall consider and report on the following specific issues:
 - a) *Implementation*
 - b) *Review draft legal text*
6. The Workgroup is responsible for the formulation and evaluation of any Workgroup Alternative CUSC Modifications (WACMs) arising from Group discussions which would, as compared with the Modification Proposal or the current version of the CUSC, better facilitate achieving the Applicable CUSC Objectives in relation to the issue or defect identified.
7. The Workgroup should become conversant with the definition of Workgroup Alternative CUSC Modification which appears in Section 11 (Interpretation and Definitions) of the CUSC. The definition entitles the Group and/or an individual member of the Workgroup to put forward a WACM if the member(s) genuinely believes the WACM would better facilitate the achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives, as compared with the Modification Proposal or the current version of the CUSC. The extent of the support for the Modification Proposal or any WACM arising from the Workgroup's discussions should be clearly described in the final Workgroup Report to the CUSC Modifications Panel.
8. Workgroup members should be mindful of efficiency and propose the fewest number of WACMs possible.
9. All proposed WACMs should include the Proposer(s)'s details within the final Workgroup report, for the avoidance of doubt this includes WACMs which are proposed by the entire Workgroup or subset of members.
10. There is an obligation on the Workgroup to undertake a period of Consultation in accordance with CUSC 8.20. The Workgroup Consultation period shall be for a period of 3 weeks as determined by the Modifications Panel.
11. Following the Consultation period the Workgroup is required to consider all responses including any WG Consultation Alternative Requests. In undertaking an assessment of any WG Consultation Alternative Request, the Workgroup should consider whether it better facilitates the Applicable CUSC Objectives than the current version of the CUSC.

As appropriate, the Workgroup will be required to undertake any further analysis and update the original Modification Proposal and/or WACMs. All responses including any WG Consultation Alternative Requests shall be included within the final report including a summary of the Workgroup's deliberations and conclusions. The report should make it clear where and why the Workgroup chairman has exercised his right under the CUSC to progress a WG Consultation Alternative Request or a WACM against the majority views of Workgroup members. It should also be explicitly stated where, under these circumstances, the Workgroup chairman is employed by

the same organisation who submitted the WG Consultation Alternative Request.

12. The Workgroup is to submit its final report to the Modifications Panel Secretary on 21st January 2016 for circulation to Panel Members. The final report conclusions will be presented to the CUSC Modifications Panel meeting on 29th January 2016. This shortened timetable is to align CMP256 with the current timetable of CMP244 so that both Workgroup Reports will be presented to the CUSC Panel at the same time.

Membership

13. It is recommended that the Workgroup has the following members:

Role	Name	Representing
<i>Chairman</i>	Nikki Jamieson	Code Administrator
<i>National Grid Representative*</i>	Juliette Richards	National Grid
<i>Industry Representatives*</i>	Binoy Dharsi (Proposer)	EDF Energy
	Karl Maryon	Haven Power
	William Chilvers	ESB
	James Anderson	Scottish Power
	Garth Graham	SSE
	Jonathan Wisdom	RWE NPower
	Lin Gao	E.On
	Christopher Granby	Infinis
	Joseph Underwood	Drax Power
	Andy Manning	British Gas
<i>Authority Representatives</i>	Edda Dirks	Ofgem
<i>Technical secretary</i>	Jade Clarke	Code Administrator
<i>Observers</i>		

NB: A Workgroup must comprise at least 5 members (who may be Panel Members). The roles identified with an asterisk in the table above contribute toward the required quorum, determined in accordance with paragraph 14 below.

14. The Chairman of the Workgroup and the Modifications Panel Chairman must agree a number that will be quorum for each Workgroup meeting. The agreed figure for CMP256 is that at least 5 Workgroup members must participate in a meeting for quorum to be met.
15. A vote is to take place by all eligible Workgroup members on the Modification Proposal and each WACM. The vote shall be decided by simple majority of those present at the meeting at which the vote takes place (whether in person or by teleconference). The Workgroup chairman shall not have a vote, casting or otherwise. There may be up to three rounds of voting, as follows:
- Vote 1: whether each proposal better facilitates the Applicable CUSC Objectives;

- Vote 2: where one or more WACMs exist, whether each WACM better facilitates the Applicable CUSC Objectives than the original Modification Proposal;
- Vote 3: which option is considered to BEST facilitate achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives. For the avoidance of doubt, this vote should include the existing CUSC baseline as an option.

The results from the vote and the reasons for such voting shall be recorded in the Workgroup report in as much detail as practicable.

16. It is expected that Workgroup members would only abstain from voting under limited circumstances, for example where a member feels that a proposal has been insufficiently developed. Where a member has such concerns, they should raise these with the Workgroup chairman at the earliest possible opportunity and certainly before the Workgroup vote takes place. Where abstention occurs, the reason should be recorded in the Workgroup report.
17. Workgroup members or their appointed alternate are required to attend a minimum of 50% of the Workgroup meetings to be eligible to participate in the Workgroup vote.
18. The Technical Secretary shall keep an Attendance Record for the Workgroup meetings and circulate the Attendance Record with the Action Notes after each meeting. This will be attached to the final Workgroup report.
19. The Workgroup membership can be amended from time to time by the CUSC Modifications Panel.

Appendix 1 – Indicative Workgroup Timetable

The following timetable is indicative for CMP256

1 st December 2015	Workgroup meeting 1
1 st December 2015	Workgroup Consultation issued for Workgroup comment
4 th December 2015	Deadline for comment
8 th December 2015	Workgroup Consultation published
15 th December 2015	Deadline for responses
W/C 4 th January 2016	Workgroup meeting 2
8 th January 2016	Circulate draft Workgroup Report
15 th January 2016	Deadline for comment
21 st January 2016	Submit final Workgroup Report to Panel
29 th January 2016	Present Workgroup Report at CUSC Modifications Panel

Post Workgroup modification process

4 th February 2016	Code-Administrator Consultation published
25 th February 2016	Deadline for responses
2 nd March 2016	Draft FMR published
9 th March 2016	Deadline for comments
10 th March 2016	Draft FMR issued to CUSC Panel
18 th March 2016	CUSC Panel Recommendation vote
31 st March 2016	Final CUSC Modification Report submitted to Authority

Annex 3 – Workgroup attendance register

A – Attended

X – Absent

O – Alternate

D – Dial-in

Name	Organisation	Role	01/12/15
Nikki Jamieson	National Grid	Chair	A
Jade Clarke	Code Administrator	Technical Secretary	A
Binoy Dharsi	EDF Energy	Proposer	A
Juliette Richards	National Grid	Workgroup member	A
Karl Maryon	Haven Power	Workgroup member	A
William Chilvers	ESB	Workgroup member	A
James Anderson	Scottish Power	Workgroup member	A
Garth Graham	SSE	Workgroup member	A
Jonathan Wisdom	RWE NPower	Workgroup member	O
Lin Gao	E.On	Workgroup member	X
Christopher Granby	Infinis	Workgroup member	A
Joseph Underwood	Drax Power	Workgroup member	X
Andy Manning	British Gas	Workgroup member	O
Edda Dirks	Ofgem	Observer	A