

Meeting summary

Transmission Charging Methodologies Forum and CUSC Issues Steering Group 126

Date: 7/07/2022 Location: MS Teams

Start: 10:30 End: 11:45

Participants

Attendee	Company	Attendee	Company
Claire Huxley (CH)	NGESO (Chair)	Andrew Hemus (AH)	NGESO (Tech Sec)
Paul Mullen (PM)	NGESO Code Administrator (Presenter)	James Stone (JS)	NGESO (Presenter)
Joseph Henry (JH)	NGESO (Presenter)	Dovydas Dyson (DD)	NGESO (Presenter)
Alistair Grey (AG)	NGESO (Presenter)	Nick George (NG)	NGESO (Presenter)
Garth Graham (GG)	SSE	Grahame Neale (GN)	NGESO
Jheaunelle Thomas (JT)	NGESO	Nicola Fitchett (NF)	RWE
George Moran (GM)	Centrica	Ryan Ward (RW)	Scottish Power
Lisa Waters (LW)	Waters Wye Associates	Davinder Sanghera (DS)	NGESO
Harvey Takhar (HT)	NGESO	Paul Mott (PM)	NGESO
Mark Harland (MH)	EON	Gavin Baillie (GB)	SSE
Ken Doyle (KD)	NGESO	Tom Steward (TS)	RWE
Chris Steward (CS)	St Clements	Guilia Licocci (GL)	Ocean Winds
Nick Everitt (NE)	NGESO	George Douthwaite (GD)	ITP Energised
David Boyland (DB)	NGESO	Niall Coyle (NC)	EON
Ruth Roberts (RR)	NGESO	Thomas Ireland (TI)	NGESO
Joshua Logan (JL)	Drax	Paul Jones (PJ)	Uniper Energy

Andrew Havvas (AHa)	NGESO	Chiamaka Nwajagu (CN)	Orsted
Robert Newton (RN)	Zenobe	Harriet Harmon (HH)	Ofgem
Alexander Aristodemou (AA)	NGESO	Matthew Patrick (MP)	Ofgem
Paul Youngman (PY)	Drax	Matthew Paige-Stimson (MPS)	National Grid
Sam Aitchison (SA)	Island GP	John Tindall (JT)	SSE
Dovydas Dyson (DD)	NGESO	Ander Madariaga (AM)	Ocean Winds
Simon Baxter (SB)	National Grid	Laura Burdis (LB)	National Grid
Rein de Loor (RL)	NGESO	Naomi De Silva (NS)	NGESO
Sally Thatcher (ST)	NGESO	Kyran Hanks (KH)	Waters Wye Associates
Robert Longden (RL)	Cornwall Energy		

Agenda, slides and modifications appendices

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Meeting Opening – Claire Huxley, National Grid ESO

CH opened the meeting providing an overview of the agenda items for discussion, asked for any AOB items and reviewed the Action Item log.

Code Modifications Update – Paul Mullen, Code Administrator National Grid ESO

PM shared details of the progress of current modifications. See slides for more detail.

Discussion themes / Feedback

LW asked why there is going to be a delay to the impact assessment for CMP361/362. PM suggested that this was due to prioritisation within Ofgem.

RL asked why the decision for CMP390 wasn't sooner than the anticipated February 2023. HH explained that its not to say the decision can't happen sooner, but it's a case of prioritisation within Ofgem specifically what decisions are required sooner than others and how Ofgem resource is best deployed.

Transmission Network Use of System Task Force Update – James Stone, National Grid ESO

JS gave a Transmission Network Use of System Task Force Update.

Discussion themes / Feedback

RL commented that although early days it would be good to have a view of what was in and out of scope and advised that previous work should be called on to avoid wasted effort. JS assured that previous work undertaken was not going to be ignored and consultants would be used as and when required and advised the 3rd Task Force meeting would be deciding the big-ticket items to be included going forward.

LW asked if BEIS were involved in the Task Force and queried if REMA was pulling in another direction. JS confirmed BEIS although not a full Task Force member, they are involved in the process. HH clarified that as the regulator Ofgem have responsibility for charging and that the Task Force is focusing on TNUoS long-term investment and charges over the next decade with renewable and existing generation. REMA longer term and operational focused and looking at utilising existing plant and wholesale market reform. Lynda Carroll, Ofgem is currently looking at wholesale energy prices.

CN asked 2 questions the first around the promised TNT training for stakeholders, NE apologised for the delay which has been due to resource constraints but advised that a 6-hour session in 2 parts is planned for the 13th September 2022, information advertising the sessions will be in a communication going out during the week beginning 8th August. The sessions will also be recorded for those unable to attend to listen back. CN then asked how the Task Force is interacting with the HND, Industry Code licensing report and addressing any issues and the scope of the Task Force. JS stated that the Task Force is aware of this work and is not ignoring it. HH also reassured stakeholders that as she sits across both of these that all would be considered, and consistent approach would be taken.

DB asked about stability and investment signals and the 7 principles where is Net Zero and decarbonisation? HH explained that Net Zero and decarbonisation penetrates through all Ofgem activities, but the current charging legislative framework is non-discriminatory. Net Zero and decarbonisation is broader and also sitting outside of the CUSC principles.

CMP392/Interim Guidance note – Joseph Henry, National Grid ESO

JH shared details of an Interim Guidance note. See slides for more detail.

Discussion themes / Feedback

RL in terms of the guidance it would be good to have the current landscape, moving parts and the NGESO position. **ACTION 22-11** JH agreed to take this away.

GG suggested publishing the initial draft and also that publishing the calculation would be the simplest solution as per CMP392 although this modification is still in progress. JH agreed to take this into consideration and discuss further as part of CMP392

Offshore Coordination Summer Workshops – Dovydas Dyson, National Grid ESO

DD shared details of the Offshore Coordination Summer Workshops. See slides for more detail.

Discussion themes / Feedback

GG regarding QM there is a legislative framework and any exemptions to this need to be clear and also who is granting these differences of treatment in terms of the HND QM principles. DD Anything at risk of breaching any codes or legal frameworks will be captured.

LW commented on QM, that previously nobody was removed from the queue. DD we are aware of this, and lessons hopefully will be learnt.

AM stated that the HND report framed almost on co-ordinated projects. DD Radial HND connections, Radial connections code definitions one consequential changes but overall has less impact than co-ordinated projects.

Early Competition verbal update – Alistair Grey, National Grid ESO

AG gave an Early Competition verbal update sharing details of the associated modification timetable. The first modification will be raised under the Grid Code in September, followed by CUSC, STC and SQSS in November.

There will be Early Competition webinar in September so look out for details on that in our communications. To sign up to the Early Competition newsletter or discuss further any questions you have on Early Competition, please reach out to: [:box.earlycompetition@nationalgrideso.com](mailto:box.earlycompetition@nationalgrideso.com) or email Alistair directly at alastair.grey@nationalgrideso.com.

Discussion themes / Feedback

None

Charging Forum in October – Nick George, NGESO

NG gave details of the Charging Forum in October. See slides for more detail

Discussion themes / Feedback

JL asked if NGESO had made an assumption on the BSUoS Reform (CMP361 & CMP362) being implemented in April 2023. NG clarified that NGESO have made no assumptions on any authority decisions and implementation timings but of the need to be prepared for this eventuality.

AOB

BSUoS & TSUoS Declarations Process – Nick Everitt, NGESO

Planned communication on the 5th August on the Non final demand process form with regards testing the form. Its more complicated than first envisaged as covering both BSUoS and TNUoS, so we are looking for a couple volunteers to test the form.

Role update – Harriett Harmon, Ofgem

Remit of my role has been expanded to include all electricity connections.

Interconnector Charges – Lisa Waters, Waters Wye Associates

Concerned potential charges being driven by issues in other countries. Questions were raised about what we can do as an industry around BSUoS on interconnector imports and interconnectors paying Transmission charges. LW also asked if there were any other ideas, and wondered about a BSUoS winter cap. HH understands the driver, but the retained legislation sits outside the CUSC and so important to raise modifications that can go through the process and fit into the current framework. RL commented that it's important and strategic that industry is seen to be doing something around welfare of the country during the winter. GN shared thoughts that considering whether charges should sit with owner or user and broader BSC changes. GG suggested a stakeholder event winter outlook / winter preparedness forum and wider aspects. **ACTION 22-12** CH agreed to take this away and check on the internal appetite for this.

Action Item Log

Action items: In progress and completed since last meeting

ID / Month	Agenda Item	Description	Owner	Notes	Target Date	Status
22-11 Aug 22	CMP392/Interim Guidance note	In terms of the guidance, it would be good to have the current	Joseph Henry		Sept	New

		landscape, moving parts and the NGESO position.				
22-12 Aug 22		Check on the internal appetite for stakeholder event winter outlook / winter preparedness forum and wider aspects.	Claire Huxley	We will continue to engage with industry on winter outlook/preparedness through the Operational Transparency Forum each week. In addition, we held a listening session on the 29th July which we are progressing through the ideas submitted by industry	Sept	New
22-3 May 22	AOB	Advise on the training sessions for 'TNUoS Transport & Tariff Model'	Matthew Wootton	NE apologised for the delay which has been due to resource constraints but advised that a 6-hour session in 2 parts is planned for the 13th September 2022, information advertising the sessions will be in a communication going out during the week beginning 8th August. The sessions will also be recorded for those unable to attend to listen back.	June	Closed
22-4 May 22	BSUoS and TNUoS Declaration update	Feedback on declarations	Grahame Neale	See AOB	August	Closed
22-9 July 22	CMP330/374 Verbal update	Whether defects raised as modification proposal refer to certain CUSC sections?	Neil Dewar	We believe this was resolved during last month's TCMF meeting. Neil had taken away an action to clarify why the original legal text for 330/374 had been included in section 14 and the relevance for the WG discussions believing that it should sit within another section. Grahame Neale responded shortly afterwards to explain and clarify the reasons behind the rationale and to close action item.	August	Closed