

Headline Report – 28 September 2022

System Operator Transmission Owner Code (STC) Panel

The STC Panel Headline Report is produced after every Panel and aims to provide an overview of the key decisions made. Minutes for this meeting will be published separately.

Approval of Panel Minutes

The meeting minutes from the Panel on 27 July 2022 and 31 August 2022 were approved and these will be uploaded to our website.

New Modifications

The following new Modification Proposals were presented to the Panel:

CM085 'To clarify OFTO reactive power requirements at low windfarm outputs'

CM085 seeks to clarify that where reactive capability is available it should be provided which is operationally useful to the ESO.

Some Panel members raised concerns around the compliance obligations in Section K of the governance rules. As a way forward, Panel agreed all concerns should be submitted during the Code Administrator Consultation and these will be addressed before the Final Modification Report is submitted to Ofgem for a decision.

The Panel unanimously agreed that CM085 should follow the Standard Governance route (with no workgroup required) and proceed to Code Administrator Consultation.

CM085 documentation can be found here.

PM0127 (CMP286/287) "Improving TNUoS Predictability through Increased Notice of the Target Revenue & Inputs used in the TNUoS Tariff Setting Process"

PM0127 seeks to improve TNUoS predictability by increasing the notice of the Target Revenue and inputs used in the TNUoS Tariff Setting Process.

Before giving their vote, some Panel members expressed some concerns. From a TO perspective, by fixing the TNUoS revenues so far in advance it greatly increases the cashflow risk for them as it increases the chances of variances against forecast. It is also a risk for the ESO and therefore as part of the CUSC modification, the ESO have submitted an alternative.



Panel approved the STCP changes 'in principle' and agreed that it will only be implemented following a positive decision from the Authority on CMP286/287. Once the Authority have decided, Panel will have to formally approve this STCP change.

New / Pending Authority Decisions

Ofgem provided an update on Modifications that are awaiting their decision or have been decided upon since the last STC Panel on 31 August 2022.

Decisions since last STC Panel

There are no Ofgem decisions on STC Modifications since the last STC Panel.

Awaiting Decisions

The STC position is summarised below:

Modification	What this seeks to achieve	Expected Decision Date
CM078	Seeks to make changes to the System Operator Transmission Owner Code to reflect CUSC modification CMP328 relating to Transmission connections that trigger an impact assessment on the Distribution network.	30 November 2022, which is at the same time as the associated CUSC Modification (CMP328).

Ofgem publish a table that provides the expected decision date, or date they intend to publish an impact assessment or consultation, for code modifications/proposals that are with them for decision. This was last updated on 08 August 2022 and is published here.

In flight Modifications

The next Modification Tracker will be published on 07 October 2022.

Workgroup Reports

There were no Workgroup Reports presented to the Panel.

Draft Final Modification Reports

The following Draft Final Modification Reports were presented to the Panel:

CM080 'Transmission Impact Assessment process in relation to CMP298'

CM080 seeks to include a process for aggregated assessment of Distributed Generators that impact (or may impact) on the National Electricity Transmission System.

The Panel approved this modification. The Final Modification Report will be submitted to Ofgem on 11 October 2022. CM080 will be considered alongside CMP298 for a decision on 30 November 2022. It will be implemented following the Authority's decision on CMP298.



Questions or feedback?

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