



STC Panel

Wednesday 28 June 2023

Online Meeting via Teams

WELCOME



Minutes

Approval of Panel Minutes from the Meeting held

31 May 2023



Review of Actions within Action Log



Authority Decisions and Update



Decisions Received since last Panel meeting

None

Decisions Pending

- ❑ **CM078 - *Connections Triggering Distribution Impact Assessment*** - Expected decision date of this and related CUSC Modification (CMP328) was 14 February 2023, decision on **CMP328** received 14 February 2023 and was sent back by Ofgem for further work/clarification, no decision received on **CM078**.
- ❑ **CM080 – *Transmission Impact Assessment process*** - Expected decision date of this and related CUSC Modification (CMP298) was 7 July 2023, this has now been pushed out until 21 August 2023



Draft STC/STCP Modifications

None



New STC/STCP Modifications

PM0133 – Pathfinder Feasibility Studies

Why change?

Improving the way in which we formally contract with TOs for feasibility studies that enable long term procurement exercises such as Pathfinders by clarifying and simplifying the process to ensure the effective delivery of work on consistent terms for feasibility studies including, where applicable, support on the technical assessment of bids.

Building the process and fixed Terms and Conditions into the STCP will help in clarifying obligations on the TOs / ESO when conducting feasibility studies and help govern the overall relationship with TO and reduce the resource required to create individual contracts for each pathfinder project.

Proposers Solution

It is proposed to specifically define the pathfinder feasibility process within STCP17-1 in a similar manner to the connection feasibility study process .

This will include the process to be followed, all parties responsibilities alongside standardised terms and conditions.

It is proposed to develop the legal text during the workgroups with a draft legal text made available prior to the first workgroup.



In flight Modification Updates / Potential New Modifications

CM079 – Timeline/Terms of Reference Update

CM087 – Timeline Update

CM079 Consideration of STC/STCP changes in relation to CMP330/374

Timeline Update

	Workgroup Report issued to Panel	DFMR issued to Panel	FMR issued to Ofgem
Previous timeline	19 July 2022	22 August 2022	12 September 2022
New timeline	19 September 2023	21 November 2023	10 December 2023

Rationale: *The modification was restarted at Workgroup 4 on 2 June 2023 following Workgroup 3 in March 2022 so timelines have been adjusted accordingly.*

Workgroups Remaining: 4

Ask of Panel: Agree revised timeline?

CM079: Consideration of STC/STCP changes in relation to CMP330/374

Request to change Terms of Reference

The Workgroup would like reflect the following within their Terms of Reference:

Amended Workgroup Terms of Reference
a) Quantitative assessment of the STC/STCP's, which will need to change to facilitate implementation of CMP330/CMP374/CMP414
b) Impact assessment against STC Applicable Objectives of ToR (a)
c) Ensure the appropriate Industry experts or stakeholders are engaged in the Workgroup to ensure that all potentially affected stakeholders have the opportunity to be represented in the Workgroup
d) The cross Code impacts this Modification has on CMP330/CMP374/ CMP414 solution and other areas of the CUSC
e) Consider the regulatory consequences of implementing CMP330/CMP374/CMP414 and CM079, in particular related transmission licence provisions and price control processes - ideally summarising potential areas for future conversations with the Authority if required

N.B. CMP414 (CMP330/CMP374 Consequential Modification) was proposed in April 2023 and therefore was not an initial consideration as part of the CM079 defect, however it is relevant now as a consequence of CMP330/374 and deemed by the Proposer as straightforward to incorporate as a consideration for CM079.

CM079 - the asks of Panel

- **AGREE** the amended & additional points within Terms of Reference (marked as bold)

Timeline for CM087– Standard Governance – Updated June 12 2023

Milestone	Date	Milestone	Date
Proposal Presented to Panel	14 December 2022	Workgroup Report issued to Panel	21 November 2023
Workgroup 1 – Understand / discuss proposal and solution, note the scope and identify any possible alternative solutions, agree timeline and review terms of reference, agree next steps.	24 January 2023	Panel sign off that Workgroup Report has met its Terms of Reference	29 November 2023
Workgroup 2 – Refresher: review and agree timeline and Terms of Reference, Review/Develop solution(s) and legal text, identify/assess possible alternatives.	1 March 2023	Code Administrator Consultation	04 December – 05 January
Workgroup 3 – Develop Solution (s)	30 March 2023	Draft Final Modification Report (DFMR) issued to Panel	23 January
Workgroup 4 – Develop Solution (s)	25 April 2023	Panel undertake DFMR recommendation vote	31 January
Workgroup 5 –Develop Solution(s), review of legal text and alternatives	24 May 2023	Final Modification Report issued to Panel to check votes recorded correctly (5 working days)	5 February – 9 February
Workgroup 6- Finalise consultation questions, review consultation report	03 July 2023	Final Modification Report issued to Ofgem	14 February
Workgroup 7- Finalise solution, consider / finalise alternatives, draft consultations questions	02 August 2023	Ofgem decision	TBC
Workgroup Consultation	10 August - 11 September	Implementation Date	10 working days after Ofgem decision
Workgroup 8 (Post Workgroup Consultation) – Review / assess Workgroup consultation responses and Workgroup Report.	2 October 2023		
Workgroup 9 – Discuss and finalise solution and consider any alternatives	16 October 2023		
Workgroup 10 –Finalise solution(s) and legal text, agree that Terms of Reference have been met, Review Workgroup Report and hold Workgroup Vote	30 October 2023		



Workgroup Report(s)

None



Draft Final Modification Report(s)

None



Any Other Business

ACTION 6181 – *share outcome with Panel members*

ACTION 6181

Provide more clarity to the OFTOs re the proposed changes to STCP 19-5 & set up meeting with Compliance Team & OFTOs.

following clarification from the Compliance Team as below: -

- The STATCOM is the only piece of equipment within the AC connected OFTO that Engineering Compliance is concerned about, because it is the main equipment responsible for delivering the voltage control and reactive capability to meet the technical requirements at the Transmission Interface point.
- Neither routine software upgrades for the STATCOM nor changes to the SCADA are upgrade in the Engineering Compliance sense mentioned above.
- For HVDC connections, the OFTO will be responsible for sending up to date models capturing any upgrades to the system that lead to changes in dynamic performance.

Next Panel Meeting



10am on - 26 July 2023

Papers Day – 18 July 2023

**Modification Proposals to be submitted
by – 11 July 2023**

Close



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