

# Code Administrator Meeting Summary

## Meeting name: CMP417: Extending principles of CUSC Section 15 to all Users Workgroup Meeting 2

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Date: 25/10/2023

### Contact Details

Chair: Lizzie Timmins, National Grid ESO [elizabeth.timmins@nationalgrideso.com](mailto:elizabeth.timmins@nationalgrideso.com)

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## Key areas of discussion

The aim of the Workgroup was to present and discuss the refined solution and review the updated timeline and terms of reference.

### Objectives

The Chair shared the agenda with the Workgroup, set out the objectives of the meeting and confirmed quoracy.

### Terms of Reference

The Chair updated the Workgroup on the terms of reference which were sent to Panel in September. Panel gave their approval but made an advised amendment to numbered point (d) 'Consider interactions with ESO connections reform recommendations' to make clearer the ask from the Workgroup. No objections or comments were made from the Workgroup.

### Actions Review

The Action List from Workgroup 1 was shared with the group. Members agreed to close actions 3, 4, 5 and 10. Discussions were held around action point one querying its meaning and relevance, with one Workgroup member suggesting an additional Action which was later decided not to be relevant to the refined solution.

### Final Sums Methodology

The Proposer advised members that a meeting had been held offline with subject matter experts to gain a better understanding on the history of final sums.

They concluded that the meeting was extremely useful and felt clearer about what the next steps were for the solution.

A Workgroup member shared a detailed overview of Final Sums Methodology with Workgroup members, no queries were raised.

### **Proposer's Presentation**

The Proposer shared the slides which detailed the development of the solution, implementation plan and User Commitment Methodology Principles with the Workgroup. Key discussions points were:

- A Workgroup member queried whether Main Interconnected Transmission System (MITS) Node would be used as a definition. The Proposer advised that the definition of Attributable works for Demand Customers will be discussed at the SCT workgroup.
- The Proposer discussed that it was not appropriate to include the *wider cancellation charge* in the solution for CMP417. Following feedback from the Workgroup and further investigation, it was felt that Demand did not drive *wider reinforcement works* in the same way as Generation and therefore should not be required to secure against or be liable for them. There were arguments in the Workgroup that to some extent Demand relieves the need for wider reinforcement works. Aside from this, Demand users pay 50% of wider reinforcement works via their TNUOS charges.
- A Workgroup member queried whether the new solution would continue the approach currently used in 2005 Consultation Appendix H, Part 2, where National Grid categorise works which were liable and non-liable for the second party connecting. The Proposer advised more understanding would be needed and proposed to further define works that are required to connect to the User.
- A Workgroup member raised a point to consider in the future regarding potential deficiencies with having 100% attributable works before trigger, which would require Users to pay large sums of money for attributable works when the connection date could be 10-15 years in the future. They felt it would be unfair to some Users where they may be forced to pay for shared works triggered by another User.
- The Proposer confirmed to the Workgroup that an interim solution is currently being looked at internally.
- A member suggested all contracts entered into should feel the benefit regarding attributable works and to ensure that shared works were not being accounted for twice.
- The Workgroup discussed where the legal text would sit within the CUSC. The Chair advised that whether the legal text should be in a new section or have the current wording amended, could be a consultation question.

### **Timeline**

The Chair shared an updated timeline to allow for the new STC modification which included 7 more Workgroups. The Workgroup were advised the dates could be rearranged if needed and it was highlighted that the final modification report had been moved from April 2024 to September 2024.

Workgroup members queried whether the extended timeline was necessary, and the Chair explained that the timeline had been amended to align with the new STC modification being raised. A Workgroup member suggested presenting legal text to the Workgroup sooner where possible.

The Chair asked members if they had any objections to the new timeline ahead of the submission to Panel, no objections were raised.

## Cross Code Impacts

The Chair explained that STC has been flagged as a cross code impact and a modification will be raised shortly. A TO Workgroup member encouraged fellow members of the Workgroup to get involved. The Workgroup did not believe any other codes would be impacted.

## AOB

A Workgroup member raised a query regarding the current final sums process, the Proposer agreed to discuss the point offline.

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## Next Steps

- Meeting summary to be circulated and uploaded to the website with updated meeting papers.
- STC modification to be raised.
- Invites for additional Workgroups to be sent out to Workgroup members.

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## Actions

For the full action log, [click here](#).

Action number	Workgroup Raised	Owner	Action	Comment	Due by	Status
1	WG1	EW	Provide data on the difference between amount secured under CMP192 and actual cancellations	NA	WG3	Open
2	WG1	EW	Provide information on the amount of connections triggering transmission works	NA	WG3	Open
3	WG1	EW/TC	Catch up offline regarding new works triggering Final Sums	NA	WG2	Closed
4	WG1	AP	Investigate potential STC changes	NA	WG2	Closed
5	WG1	EW	Investigate the potential for negative costs if Demand is applied to wider works	NA	WG2	Closed
6	WG1	EW	Provide update on interim arrangements	NA	WG3	Open
7	WG1	AP	Look into definitions for attributable works for Demand and TIC	NA	WG3	Open
8	WG1	EW	Updated action: Provide justification for new solution within the Workgroup Consultation.  Previous action: Provide justification for Workgroup Consultation that extending Section 15 is the correct solution	NA	TBC	Open

9	WG1	AP	Provide draft legal text	NA	WG2	Open
10	WG1	LT	Provide Terms of Reference update to CUSC Panel	NA	21/09/23	Closed

**Attendees**

Name	Initial	Company	Role
Lizzie Timmins	LT	Code Governance, ESO	Chair
Tammy Meek	TM	Code Governance, ESO	Technical Secretary
Alison Price	AP	ESO	Proposer
Anthony Cotton	AC	Energy Technical	Workgroup Member
Charles Deacon	CD	Eclipse Power Networks	Workgroup Member
Damian Clough	DC	SSE Generation	Workgroup Member
Edda Dirks	ED	SSE Generation	Alternate
Emily Watson	EW	ESO	SME
Harriet Eckweiler	HE	SHET	Workgroup Member
Jake Sumner	JS	ESO	SME
Jonny Clark	JC	SHET	Alternate
Molly Nesbitt	MN	Ofgem	Authority Representative
Mustafa Cevik	MC	UK Power Networks	Observer
Natalija Zaiceva	NZ	UK Power Networks	Observer
Neil Bennett	NB	SSE	Alternate
Richard Woodward	RW	NGET	Workgroup Member
Rohit Alexander	RA	Statkraft UK	Workgroup Member
Steve Halsey	SH	UK Power Networks	Workgroup Member
Syed Nadir	SN	UK Power Networks	Observer