

Meeting Summary

Transmission Charging Methodologies Forum and CUSC Issues Steering Group 147

Date: 09/07/2024 **Location:** MS Teams

Start: 10:30am **End:** 1:00pm

Participants

Attendee	Company	Attendee	Company
Dan Arrowsmith (DA)	ESO (Chair)	Andrew Hemus (AH)	ESO (Tec Sec)
Alex Curtis (AC)	ESO (Presenter)	Martin Cahill (MC)	ESO (Presenter)
Keren Kelly (KK)	ESO (Presenter)	Neil Dewar (ND)	ESO (Presenter)
Nick Sillito (NS)	Innovergy (Presenter)	Harriet Harmon (HH)	Ofgem (Presenter)
Catia Gomes (CG)	ESO (Presenter)	Lauren Jauss (LJ)	RWE, TNUoS Task Force member (Presenter)
Ahna Taylor (AT)	SSE	Alan Fradley (AF)	ESO
Alan Kelly (AK)	Corio Generation	Alex Aristodemou (AA)	ESO
Alice Hannah (ALH)	ESO	Alice Taylor (ALT)	ESO
Camille Gilsenan (CAG)	ESO	Chiamaka Nwajagu (CN)	Orsted
Christopher Patrick (CP)	Ofgem	Claire Hynes (CH)	RWE
Daniel Hickman (DH)	ESO	David Jones (DJ)	Ofgem
David Tooby (DT)	Ofgem	Davinder Sanghera (DS)	ESO
Dimuthu Wijetunga (DW)	Shell	Garth Graham (GG)	SSE
George Douthwaite (GD)	ITP Energised	Gordon Frazer (GF)	ESO
Harriet Eckweiler (HE)	SSE	Hector Perez (HP)	Scottish Power
Helen Stack (HS)	Centrica	Ishtyaq Hussain (IH)	ESO
James Knight (JK)	Centrica	James Stone (JS)	Ofgem
Jo Zhou (JZ)	ESO	John Mclellan (JM)	Ofgem
John Tindal (JT)	SSE	Jonathan Bowes (JB)	Ofgem
Karl Maryon (KM)	Haven Power	Katie Clark (KC)	ESO
Lisa Waters (LW)	Waters Wye Associates	Louis Sandiford (LS)	Ofgem

Marwah Az-zahra (MA)	ESO	Matthew Paige-Stimson (MPS)	National Grid
Nayan Maske (NM)	ESO	Niall Coyle (NC)	ESO
Nick Everitt (NE)	ESO	Nick George (NG)	ESO
Nicky White (NW)	ESO	Nicola Fitchett (NF)	RWE
Nina Sharma (NS)	Drax	Paul Mott (PM)	ESO
Paul Youngman (PY)	Drax	Piotr Czarniecki (PC)	EON Energy
Prisca Evans (PE)	ESO	Rachel McLeod (RM)	ESO
Robert Longden (RL)	Cornwall Energy	Ryan Ward (RW)	Scottish Power
Sally Ann Young (SY)	SSE	Sean Nugent (SN)	ESO
Shannon Murray (SM)	Ofgem	Simon Vicary (SV)	EDF Energy
Stephen Dale (SD)	ESO	Steven McKnight (SM)	Laser Energy
Tobias Burke (TB)	Energy UK	Tom Steward (TS)	RWE
Tony Cotton (TC)	Energy Technical & Renewable Services Ltd	William Jago (WJ)	EON UK
William Maidment (WM)	Ventient Energy		

Agenda, slides, and modifications appendices

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TCMF and CISG

These notes are produced as an accompaniment to the slide pack presented which can be found here: [PowerPoint Presentation \(nationalgrideso.com\)](https://nationalgrideso.com)

Meeting Opening – Dan Arrowsmith, ESO

DA opened the meeting, providing an overview of the agenda items for discussion and led a review of the action log.

ESO Connections update - Alex Curtis, ESO

AC shared an ESO Connections update. See slides for more details.

LW asked how many new connections have been completed this year. AC agreed to take away and bring an update to a future TCMF.

GG asked for this information to include data going back a few years and for it to be presented by project numbers and by Gigawatt connected.

RL suggested that it would also be valuable to see ESO information on expectations on connections against performance against that.

ACTION 24-10: AC share data on new connections that have been completed this year.

CMP419 and CMP426 next steps – Martin Cahill, ESO

MC shared a CMP419 and CMP426 update. See slides for more details.

PY asked for clarification that the new modification spawning from CMP419 would be looking at onshore zones based on Electricity Ten Year Statement (ETYS). MC confirmed this intention. PY questioned whether the original CMP419 defect is still valid and suggested that it may need to be withdrawn with two new modifications being raised instead of one. HH shared thoughts that with careful wording of the new modification, the need to raise two new modifications could be avoided. MC commented that the onshore zoning modification would probably progress quicker. RL commented that the proposals should be coherent, and the principles should be consistent. LW questioned the timing and interaction with REMA, stating it was a good idea, but the timing seemed off. LW also highlighted that industry is currently stretched. DA pointed out that the ESO is not party to all discussions concerning REMA. HH acknowledged points on REMA interaction and industry pressures but explained that this work is long overdue and Locational TNUoS will still be required, REMA outputs are several years away. JT highlighted uncertainty for investment around the timing and transition. JT flagged that the OTNR subgroup report is due soon and to avoid any replication. GG commented that the same principles are followed for onshore/offshore and for the different TNUoS zones, highlighting that TNUoS zones don't differentiate between onshore and offshore. MC commented that with a more meshed system and with non-radial falling into a grey area, decisions on where these sit are required.

Market-wide Half- Hourly Settlement (MHHS) update – Keren Kelly and Neil Dewar, ESO

KK and ND shared a Market-wide Half- Hourly Settlement (MHHS) update. See slides for more details.

No comments.

Does Embedded Generation need a BEGA – Nick Sillito, Innovergy

NS shared thoughts on “Does Embedded Generation need a BEGA”. See slides for more details.

Several stakeholders agreed with the logic of the proposed solution.

LW commented that NS has correctly identified this defect and the proposal is much needed. LW highlighted previous ESO acknowledgement of this defect. LW asked for the ESO not to underestimate how a big an issue this is for industry. LW commented that if the ESO has a reason to keep BEGA's, at the very least the document needs redrafting.

TC mentioned that unsure if the driver for this comes from The CUSC and suggested looking across the piece and the relationship with the BSC.

HH highlighted [GC0117](#) which is currently with Ofgem for a decision asking for any crossover to be considered, as if approved it would change who requires a BEGA.

Ofgem verbal update – Harriet Harmon, Ofgem

HH shared an Ofgem verbal update. Highlighting that now the NESO financial arrangements have been confirmed by the new UK government, decisions on the BSUoS related modifications [CMP408](#) and [CMP415](#) can be made by the Authority.

GD asked if since non final demand had been removed from paying BSUoS, had the disconnect between BSUoS and the Residual Cashflow Reallocation Cashflow (RCRC) been reviewed?

HH commented that this had not currently been reviewed by Ofgem.

SD shared that initial provisional work had been done by the ESO, but this work is not ready to share yet.

HH shared that Ofgem have taken a first look at their post CUSC hiatus priorities alongside the legislative framework in terms of REMA and Net Zero 2030 Labour manifesto commitments. HH explained things are subject to change and still unsure where the focus will be but will keep industry informed as things

progress in coming weeks. HH acknowledged the current level of work going on and industry concerns around this.

RL asked if the CUSC panel prioritisation was going to be changed in terms of its assessment criteria. HH shared that this conversation had already started with the panel. HH also shared that how modifications are linked to bigger programmes of work for example REMA or OTNR for example was currently missing.

LW flagged that Ofgem understanding of what industry and in particular small parties are doing outside of this space and that regulation should only be a small part of business. HH acknowledged this.

Code Administrator Update – Catia Gomes, ESO

CG shared a Code Administrator update. See slides for more details.

GG highlighted the expectation that the Workgroup consultations for the Connections Reform Modifications [CMP434](#), [CMP435](#), [CM095](#) and [CM096](#) should be opening in the next few weeks.

Location Demand signals – Lauren Jauss, RWE, TNUoS Task Force member

LJ gave a presentation on Location Demand signals on behalf of the TNUoS Task Force. See slides for more details.

GD commented that the proposal ticks all the boxes. GD shared that if the demand TNUoS model, incremental model is correct, it should be replicating what happens for Generation on the demand side. GD suggested using new DUoS model tariff to DNO's at GSP's between the distribution and transmission networks.

AOB

TC queried what is happening with regards to [CMP376: Inclusion of Queue Management process within the CUSC](#) which was passed last year. TC explained that all users were given six months to make a mod app if they wanted to change their dates. If they didn't, they would then get variations which would put queue management into their agreements based upon where things stood at that time. We're now 2 1/2 months on from that six-month deadline, when can users expect to get their documents and their ATV's so they can put their milestones in.

ACTION 24-11: DA clarify when users will receive documents / ATVs.

GG asked for post implementation analysis of [CMP376: Inclusion of Queue Management process within the CUSC](#). Detailing how volumes have changed and over what timeframes broken down by months.

ACTION 24-12: DA post implementation analysis of CMP376: Inclusion of Queue Management process within the CUSC.

Action Item Log

Action items: In progress

ID	Description	Owner	Notes	Target Date	Status
24-10 July 9	Share data on new connections that have been completed this year.	AC		August	New
24-11 July 9	Clarify when users will receive documents / ATVs.	DA		August	New
24-12	Post implementation analysis of CMP376: Inclusion of	DA		TBC	New

July 9 Queue Management process within the CUSC.

Action items: Completed

ID	Description	Owner	Notes	Target Date	Status
24-6 Feb 29	Update TCMF with progress on potential CUSC defect on double counting of Cancellation Liability and Security presented by Tony Cotton at TCMF 1 February 2024.	CG	<p>TC expressed dissatisfaction with progress. CG confirmed action was progressing and will catch up with TC offline. Action to remain open.</p> <p>MC detailed that a few conversations with ESO Connections Team and with TO's have taken place. The consensus is the defect doesn't have a big impact currently as opportunities for double counting are very rare. Going forward the defect would be best addressed in CMP417.</p> <p>TC broadly concurred with this but expressed, there is still a problem with the CUSC as written currently as double counting could occur.</p> <p>TC and MC agreed to take offline. Action to remain open with further update to be presented at TCMF when appropriate. TC agreed to close action.</p>	May 24	Closed
24-10 May 9	CMP328 update.	AC	<p>CMP328, which proposed to introduce a Distribution Impact Assessment (DIA) process, was initially withdrawn by the original Proposer (SSE) on 16th April 2024. SPEN has subsequently requested to become the new Proposer of CMP328 on 23rd April 2024, which will require the mod to address previous send-back comments from Ofgem. A mod cannot be raised with 'substantially the same effect' while CMP328 is ongoing. ESO is now actively engaging DNOs and other stakeholders to explore how a DIA process could</p>	June 24	Closed

be implemented in alignment with connections reform. This is in parallel with our ongoing work on tactical actions to address issues in the Third Party Works process faced by transmission connections customers.
