

Code Administrator Meeting Summary

Meeting name: Application of Gate 2 Criteria to existing contracted background (Workgroup 14)

Date: 14/08/2024

Contact Details

Chair: Catia Gomes, ESO Code Administrator

Proposer: Alice Taylor, ESO (CMP435), Steve Baker, ESO (CM096)

Key areas of discussion

The Chair opened the meeting with a reminder of the current timeline the project is working to, and a note that Workgroup 15 on 22 August is expected to cover the ESO's updates to the proposed solution following the recent Workgroup Consultation. It was discussed that Alternative Requests would be presented to the Workgroup and discussed in subsequent meetings once the updated solution had been shared (expected week commencing 26 August). Workgroup members expressed an expected need for additional Workgroup time to discuss legal text, especially if there are numerous and complex Alternatives requiring legal text. The Chair assured the group that this had been raised with the ESO for consideration, and assessments would be made based on the number, and nature, of Alternative Requests following the refined Original solution being shared (additional comments on timelines can be found below).

The Chair took the Workgroup through the headline summary of the Workgroup Consultation responses for CM096. A Workgroup member suggested responses were checked again for 'No' replies possibly being incorporated into the N/A tally for whether the Original better facilitated the Applicable Objectives.

In relation to CM096, a Workgroup member (and STC party) noted that some Consultation responses had been received for CM096 which related to the broader package of TMO4+ modifications. It was suggested that Proposers acknowledge feedback in relation to the appropriate modification. This was supported by other Workgroup members.

For the CM096 response summary, Workgroup members suggested that where additional points were relevant to include in the Workgroup Report summary, e.g., a recommendation for ESO to expand on the detail of process and contract changes for TOs as a result of CM096.

The Chair took the Workgroup through the headline summary of the Workgroup Consultation for CMP435. A Workgroup member again suggested responses were checked again for 'No' replies possibly being incorporated into the N/A tally for whether the Original better facilitated the Applicable Objectives.

The Workgroup suggested adjustments to the headline summary slides for clarity of how certain responses had been interpreted and some additional points they felt warranted inclusion for the Workgroup Report. A Workgroup member noted that a response suggesting significant impact on land

agents and legal teams was interesting as it had not been considered by the Workgroup specifically to date, however noted that this was something that was outside of ESO and industry’s control.

Other key points:

- A Workgroup member requested an update from ESO on the pathway of the modifications in relation to the wider Reform package (noting an update pending from the Authority was suggested in a recent CMP434 meeting).
- A Workgroup member shared that an ENA SCG webinar was planned for 29 August, 10am-12noon, and the Chair agreed that plans for Workgroup 16 would be assessed if Workgroup members wanted to attend both.
- A Workgroup member requested an update on whether data (rather than a summary) from the ESO’s Request for Information would be published.

Alternatives:

Once the summary slides were concluded the Chair highlighted the criteria for raising an Alternative Request. The Chairs agreed to share an update of when Alternative Requests received to date would be shared with the Workgroup (pending refinements by Proposers after Code Governance had shared critical friend check feedback).

A Workgroup member asked whether the 50% attendance rule for Alternative/Workgroup voting could be relaxed due to the challenges of attending so many Workgroups (if more were needed). The Chairs agreed to check what is codified in this regard and agreed to share an update of current attendance levels for voting Workgroup members.

Timings:

With Workgroup members suggesting more Workgroups may need to be included within the current timeline milestones, other Workgroup members expressed concern about how these could be accommodated and called for a review (expecting disproportionate impacts possible on smaller businesses and mental health impacts from increased pressures on the group). It was noted that similar discussions in CMP434/CM095 had prompted Workgroup members to share their thoughts with the Chairs on that modification via email. The CMP435/CM096 Chairs offered Workgroup members the same route to share their thoughts via email.

Next Steps

The next Workgroup meeting is to be on Thursday 22 August 2024 where the ESO will update the Workgroup with a high-level summary of refinements on the Original solution.

Actions

Action number	Workgroup Raised	Owner	Action	Comment	Due by	Status
20	WG3	RW, AT	TOs and ESO meeting needed to discuss data available to review capital contributions for 2024	Information to be brought back to the WG and discussed in context of transitional arrangements	Ongoing	Open

21	WG3	ESO Connections Team	When considering transitional arrangements, include guidance for staged projects	To be covered in WG10	WG6	Open
34	WG5	Code Gov, Proposers, SME	Assess the agenda for 16 July (considering time needed to review consultation responses)		Ongoing	Open
36	WG5	Angie	Statement from ESO as to the CAP150 powers and how they are applied /can be applied re: ongoing compliance (include link to CAP150 info on ESO website)		Ongoing	Open
42	WG6	LH	Check with legal as to the clock start dates for new applications considering the point of implementation after an Authority decision (is 15th of November date is legally acceptable as the Gate 1 process only comes to existence 10 Working days after Authority decision?)		Ongoing	Open
44	WG6	RM	Confirmation about whether NESO designation applications, decisions and decision rationales would be published.		Ongoing	Open
55	WG8	PM	Forward looking milestones illustrative examples for staged offers (same and different technologies).		5 th July	Open
56	WG8	MO	Clarification with legal regarding guidance and introduction of any new obligations.		Ongoing	Open
57	WG8	MO	ESO set out the processes and timing for determining liability and security for April 2025 and October 2025.		Ongoing	Open
59	WG8	MO	Provide WG with the list of documents outside the mod, the principles for guidance docs and timelines for the development of methodology documents.		Ongoing	Open
60	WG8	RP	(Replacement for action 35) Provide relevant updates from SCG		Ongoing	Open

61	WG8	PM	Amendments to action 52) ESO to confirm intention for % evidence checks vs 100% checks for CMP376.	WG10	Open
62	WG8	PM	ESO to enquire with Ofgem about them setting % evidence check level.	Ongoing	Open
65	WG9	FS	ESO to look into the data checks between D + T by ESO (data transfer) for criteria/duplication	Ongoing	Open
66	WG9	PM	Self cert letter to ask for explicit declaration if applying for Gate 2 via Distribution and Transmission routes (re duplication checks)	Ongoing	Open
72	WG9	RM/JH	Workgroup request appendix/annex re: transmission connection queue – how many projects impacts re diff tech and dates + information on the RFI for the consultation (majority/minority party)	Ongoing	Open
74	WG10	PM/GG/ RW	To consider wider context of projects for Gate 2 criteria and implementation aspects to map project types and considerations for 'minimum options' suggestions/proposal		Open
77	WG10	MO	Consider how to treat requests to reduce capacity for existing contract projects		Open
78	WG10	AC	Explore difference between treatment of mod app fees vs expression of interest from 5 point plan		Open
79	WG10	MO	Develop a diagram for consultation for alignment of methodologies' timings vs the modifications		Open
80	WG10	MO	Provide further clarity on the nature of the projects designated in 2025, and		Open

			separately those projects would have reserved capacity.		
82	WG11	MO	To update whether/when/what information from RFI will be published (update Tues from Mike or Ruth)	Ongoing	Open
83	WG11	CD/RP	To update WG on securities for offers (re: small/med embedded generators)	Ongoing	Open
84	WG11	PM/HS	To discuss how to make Offshore projects holding offers in scope of the modification	Ongoing	Open
85	WG11	GS	Comeback to WG with Justification on proposals on exempting mod apps from implementation date	Ongoing	Open
86	WG11	MO	Check on use of specific provisional dates for the indicative timeline and add additional text for clarity on what action is needed from users and consequences	Ongoing	Open
87	WG11	MO	Explore how offers referred to Ofgem are dealt with	Ongoing	Open

Attendees (excluding Observers)

Name	Initial	Company	Role
Catia Gomes	CG	Code Administrator, ESO	Chair
Elana Byrne	EB	Code Administrator, ESO	Technical Secretary
Tammy Meek	TM	Code Administrator, ESO	Technical Secretary
Alice Taylor	AT	ESO	Proposer CMP435
Stephen Baker	SB	ESO	Proposer CM096
Andrew Colley	AC	SSE Generation	Workgroup Member Alternate CMP435
Andrew Yates	AY	Statkraft	Workgroup Member Alternate CMP435
Barney Cowin	BC	Statkraft	Workgroup Member CMP435

Claire Hynes	CH	RWE Renewables	Workgroup Member CMP435
Clare Evans	SE	Scottish Power Energy Networks	Workgroup Member CMP435
Darcy Kiernan	DK	NGV	Workgroup Member CMP435
Deborah MacPherson	DM	Scottish Power Renewables	Workgroup Member CMP435
Ed Birkett	EB	Low Carbon	Workgroup Member CMP435
Gareth Williams	SW	Scottish Power Transmission	Workgroup Member CMP435
Garth Graham	GG	SSE Generation	Workgroup Member CMP435 & CM096
Grant Rogers	GR	Qualitas Energy	Workgroup Member CMP435
Greg Stevenson	GS	SSEN Transmission	Workgroup Member CMP435 & CM096
Helen Snodin	HS	Fred Olsen	Workgroup Member CMP435
Jack Purchase	JP	NGED	Workgroup Member CMP435
Jenny Thompson	JT	Statkraft	Workgroup Member CMP435
Joe Colebrook	JC	Innova Renewables	Workgroup Member CMP435
Jonathan Hoggarth	JH	EDF Renewables	Workgroup Member CMP435
Kimbrah Hiorns	KHi	EDF Renewables UK & Ireland	Workgroup Member Alternate CMP435
Kyran Hanks	KH	WWA ltd	Workgroup Member CMP435 & CM096
Luke Scott	LS	Northern Power Grid	Workgroup Member CMP435
Mark Field	MF	Sembcorp Energy	Workgroup Member CMP435
Mireia Barneys	MB	Lightsource BP	Workgroup Member Alternate CMP435
Michelle MacDonald Sandison	MM	SSEN	Workgroup Member CMP435
Niall Stuart	NS	Buchan Offshore Wind	Workgroup Member CMP435
Nina Sharma	NiS	Drax	Workgroup Member Alternate CMP435
Nirmalya Biswas	NB	Northern Powergrid	Workgroup Member CMP435
Paul Jones	PJ	Uniper	Workgroup Member CMP435 & CM096
Paul Youngman	PY	Drax	Workgroup Member CMP435
Philip John	PJ	Epsilon Generation	Workgroup Member CMP435
Ravinder Shan	RS	FRV TH Powertek Limited	Workgroup Member CMP435

Richard Woodward	RW	NGET	Workgroup Member CMP435 & CM096
Rob Smith	RS	ENSO Energy	Workgroup Member CMP435
Robin Prince	RP	Island Green Power	Workgroup Member CMP435
Ross Thompson	RT	UK Power Networks	Workgroup Member CMP435
Sam Aitchison	SA	Island Green Power	Workgroup Member CMP435
Samuel Railton	SR	Centrica	Workgroup Member CMP435 & CM096
Salvatore Zingale	SZ	Ofgem	Authority Representative
Steffan Jones	SJ	Electricity North West Limited	Workgroup Member CMP435
Tim Ellingham	TE	RWE Renewables	Workgroup Member CMP435
Tony Cotton	TC	Energy Technical & Renewable Services	Workgroup Member CMP435 & CM096
Zygimantas Rimkus	ZM	Buchan Offshore Wind	Workgroup Member CMP435