

Minutes

Meeting name	Charging Delivery Body - Meeting 8
Time	10am – 1pm
Date of meeting	8 th August 2018
Location	Ofgem's Office, Canary Wharf, London

Attendees

Name	Initials	Organisation
Charging Delivery Body Members		
Andy Burgess	(AB)	Chair – Ofgem
Bali Virk	(BV)	Technical Secretary - National Grid (Lead Secretariat)
Angelo Fitzhenry	(AF)	ElectraLink (Code Administrator)
Andy Jenkins	(AJ)	Northern Powergrid
John Twomey	(JT)	National Grid (Code Administrator)
Louise Schmitz	(LS)	National Grid (Electricity System Operator)
Nigel Bessant	(NB)	Scottish & Southern Electricity Networks
Nicholas Rubin	(NR)	Elexon (Code Administrator)
Oliver Day	(OD)	UK Power Networks
Paul McGimpsey	(PMcG)	SP Distribution and SP Manweb
Rob Marshall	(RM)	National Grid (Lead Secretariat)/National Grid (Electricity System Operator)
Tony McEntee	(TMcE)	Electricity North West
Ofgem Attendees		
Chris Brown	(CB)	Ofgem
Andrew Self	(AS)	Ofgem – part meeting
Paul Guillon	(PG)	Ofgem
Stephen Perry	(SP)	Ofgem
Scott Sandles	(SS)	Ofgem – part meeting
Apologies		
Lee Wells	(LW)	Northern Powergrid
Edda Dirks	(ED)	Ofgem
Simon Yeo	(SY)	Western Power Distribution
Observers		
Andy Hadland	(AH)	Arenko Group
Daniel Bean	(DB)	ESPUG

1 Introductions & apologies

- 1.1 Andy Hadland from Arenko Group and Daniel Bean from ESPUG were introduced to the group as observers of the Charging Delivery Body (CDB).
- 1.2 Andy Jenkins, Northern Powergrid, was introduced as Lee Wells' alternate for the meeting.
- 1.3 Apologies were received from Edda Dirks, Ofgem, Lee Wells, Northern Power Grid and Simon Yeo from Western Power Distribution.

2 Review of the Charging Delivery Body Actions Log

- 2.1 CDB members noted that all actions have been completed bar one. CDB02 is to discuss how effectively the CDB is achieving its objectives. This will be covered at the September CDB meeting.

3 Targeted Charging Review update

- 3.1 AS updated CDB members with the progress of the Targeted Charging Review (TCR) and confirmed that Ofgem are currently preparing with the Lead Secretariat a Webinar before the Charging Futures Forum (CFF) on the 5th September, which would give industry an update on their work so far. The Webinar would also be recorded and available on the Charging Futures website.

[Note: Plans to publish an Open letter updating industry on TCR progress in addition to the Webinar was also discussed in the CDB but it was ultimately decided that the Webinar would be the best way to update industry participants].

- 3.2 A TCR update will also be provided at the Charging Futures forum, which will include an overview of timelines and the TCR Webinar.
- 3.3 AS confirmed that Ofgem would narrow down a set of preferred options and will consult on them with the industry in late autumn. When the Responses are received, Ofgem would then make a final decision in the Spring 2019, then make direction(s) for industry modifications.
- 3.4 LS stated that the CDB could support Ofgem in understanding the requirements for system changes. AS agreed that going forward this may be a route to coordinate the potential changes for the Electricity System Operator (ESO) and Distribution Network Owners (DNO) AS agreed to investigate this further.

Action CDB67: AS to consider how the CDB can coordinate system changes for TCR, Access Reform and modifications

4 Access & Forward-looking Charging Reform update

- 4.1 SP presented an overview of the "Getting more out of our electricity networks by reforming Access and Forward-looking Charging arrangements" consultation which was published on the 23rd July and closes on the 18th September.
- 4.2 The CDB discussed how it could support the SCR process and engagement with the relevant industry panels.
- 4.3 A key challenge is duplication of effort when similar code modifications are raised. LS highlighted that the CDB does not currently have any formal powers to prioritise or issue directions in relation to new and ongoing change proposals, though code panels do. The CDB

considered a range of approaches and agreed that these are to be further discussed at its next meeting.

- 4.4 The CDB also discussed how to progress work that fell outside of Ofgem's proposed review, for the example reforming Balancing Services Use of System (BSUoS) charges and Transmission Network Use of System (TNUoS) charges.
- 4.5 CDB members noted that Code Panels are prioritising modifications but asked if Ofgem could feed into this process at panel meetings. AB agreed to provide this feedback to the Ofgem code panel representatives. It was agreed that the role of the CDB would be discussed at the September meeting under outstanding action CDB02.
- 4.6 CDB members thanked the Lead Secretariat for supporting the consultation launch with a Podcast and Webinar. NR asked if the unanswered questions from the webinar could be addressed to avoid duplications at the Forum. Ofgem agreed to investigate this further.

Action CDB68: Ofgem to consider how to respond to webinar questions

5 Charging Futures Forum

- 5.1 RM presented a draft Agenda for the Charging Futures Forum (CFF) for discussion.
- 5.2 As usual, there will be an opportunity to learn, ask and contribute. The main focus will be "Getting more out of our electricity networks by reforming Access and Forward Looking charging arrangements" consultation. A TCR update will also be given as well as a brief RIIO2 presentation, highlighting links with the charging reform work.
- 5.3 With regards to the charging drop-in desk, colour-coded badges for the different charging experts were suggested. AB asked if the Lead Secretariat could explore this based on feedback received at past forums.

Action CDB69: Lead Secretariat to investigate options for the drop-in desk for the Forum

6 Updates on New Charging Modifications

- 6.1 **Connection and Use of System Code (CUSC)** – currently there are fifteen CUSC Charging Modifications in flight. CB confirmed decisions for CMP250/251/CMP75 would be received in the next couple of weeks.
- 6.2 JT stated that CMP286/CMP287 request for information was sent to industry and this had been received and are now progressing in the workgroup phase.
- 6.3 JT stated that the CUSC Code Administrator has a heavy workload, and that the Charging Coordination Guidance has helped with Charging Modifications, but the CDB will need to consider its role going forwards. This could include setting up an agile group to meet offline to discuss new charging modifications. This potential option can be further discussed under Action CDB02 at the CDB meeting on the 27th September.
- 6.4 **Distribution Connection and Use of System Agreement (DCUSA)** - AF updated CDB members on the ten DCUSA Change Proposals in flight. It was highlighted that decisions for DCPs 306 and 311 were received with an implementation date of April 2020. Two further Change Proposals are with Ofgem for decision which then leaves six Change Proposals ongoing.

7 Updates on charging reform related initiatives

- 7.1 Open Networks Project** – PMcG informed the CDB that Open Networks Project Future Worlds have launched an eight-week consultation.
- 7.2** Two stakeholder events are taking place in August in Edinburgh and London, focusing on five potential models, and the Open Networks Project will look to provide an evidence pack to BEIS and Ofgem on its final conclusions.
- 7.3** Further information and the consultation can be found in the following link:
<http://www.energynetworks.org/electricity/futures/open-networks-project/future-worlds/future-worlds-consultation.html>
- 7.4 User Commitment Open Letter** – JT stated that the ESO had received nine responses to this and presented a summary of the themes received mainly about the process rather than the framework itself. Users are looking for consistency across transmission and distribution. AB highlighted that there is a link with the Access reform work. JT confirmed his team are currently approaching respondents to seek permission to publish their responses.

8 Key Messages to be shared with Code Panel Meetings

- 8.1** Code Administrators to ask Code Panels how they see the role of the CDB and discuss the feedback at the CDB meeting at the September meeting when reviewing the objectives of the CDB.
- 8.2** Stakeholders to be invited to sign up to the TCR webinar.
- 8.3** Ofgem to encourage Ofgem representatives to challenge new modifications that are raised and may be in the scope of the TCR or “Getting more out of our electricity networks by reforming Access and Forward Looking charging arrangements” consultation.

9 Charging Futures meeting dates

- 9.1** It was agreed that the next CDB meeting will take place on Thursday 27th September at National Grid’s office, Strand, London. The meeting will commence at 1pm to 4pm.
- 9.2** CDB members discussed a virtual CDB meeting to be held in November with a view to potentially holding the next Charging Futures Forum in January 2019.

10 Any Other Business

- 10.1** NR asked the Chair if we should consider Independent Distribution Network Operators (IDNOs) to be represented at the CDB meetings, as their system impacts for them too, but recognised that this is the case for many industry parties. AB stated that this could be investigated further when reviewing the CDB objectives at the 27th September meeting.