

Headline Report – 22 March 2024

Connection and Use of System Code (CUSC) Panel

The Headline Report is produced after every Panel and aims to provide an overview of the key decisions made. Minutes for this meeting will be published separately.

Approval of Panel Minutes

The meeting minutes from the Panel on [09 February 2024](#) and [23 February 2024](#) were approved and these have been uploaded to our website.

New Modifications

The following new Modification Proposal was presented to the Panel:

CMP432 ‘Improve “Locational Onshore Security Factor” for TNUoS Wider Tariffs’

This modification seeks to improve the cost reflectivity of the “Locational Onshore Security Factor” used in calculating Wider TNUoS tariffs, in order for charges to better reflect the way Transmission Owners plan for a secure future network based on the Security and Quality of Supply Standard requirements.

The Panel unanimously agreed that CMP432 should follow the Standard Governance route and proceed to a Workgroup. The Panel drafted the Terms of Reference for the Workgroup.

CMP432 documentation can be found [here](#)

New / Pending Authority Decisions

Decisions since the last Panel

Modification	Decision	Implementation Date
CMP398 ‘GC0156 Cost Recovery mechanism for CUSC Parties’	On 29/02/2024 the Authority approved WACM1.	14/03/2024
CMP412 ‘CMP398 Consequential Charging Modification’	On 29/02/2024 the Authority approved the Original solution.	14/03/2024
CMP427 ‘Update to the Transmission Connection Application Process for Onshore Applicants’	On 15/03/2024 the Authority approved the Original solution.	28/03/2024

Awaiting Decisions

Modification	FMR submitted	Expected Decision Date
CMP286 ‘Improving TNUoS Predictability Through Increased Notice of the Target Revenue used in the TNUoS Tariff Setting Process’	08/02/2024	30/04/2024

CMP315 ‘TNUoS Review of the expansion constant and the elements of the transmission system charged for’ and CMP375 ‘Enduring Expansion Constant & Expansion Factor Review’	07/02/2024	30/09/2024
CMP330&CMP374 ‘Allowing new Transmission Connected parties to build Connection Assets greater than 2km in length and Extending contestability for Transmission Connections’	10/08/2023	08/05/2024
CMP392 ‘Transparency and legal certainty as to the calculation of TNUoS in conformance with the Limiting Regulation’	13/10/2023	30/04/2024
CMP396 ‘Re-introduction Of BSUoS on Interconnector Lead Parties’	05/01/2024	31/05/2024
CMP408 ‘Allowing consideration of a different notice period for BSUoS tariff settings’	13/10/2023	TBC
CMP411 ‘Introduction of Anticipatory Investment (AI) within the Section 14 charging methodologies’	05/01/2024	28/03/2024
CMP414 ‘CMP330/CMP374 Consequential Modification’	10/08/2023	08/05/2024
CMP415 ‘Amending the Fixed Price Period from 6 to 12 months’	13/10/2023	TBC

Ofgem publish a table that provides the expected decision date, or date they intend to publish an impact assessment or consultation, for code modifications/proposals that are with them for decision. This was last updated on 23 February 2024 and is published [here](#).

Prioritisation Stack

The Panel discussed the prioritisation of the following Modifications:

Modification	Panel Comments	Position in Prioritisation Stack
CMP432 ‘Improve “Locational Onshore Security Factor” for TNUoS Wider Tariffs’	The Panel placed the new modification as fourth on the prioritisation stack based on its complexity, importance and the required timescales.	Medium

Every quarter the CUSC Panel hold a more in-depth review, the next in-depth review scheduled for the Special Panel on 12 April 2024.

The latest prioritisation stack can be found [here](#)

In flight Modifications

Modification Withdrawal: **CMP287** [Improving TNUoS Predictability Through Increased Notice of Inputs Used in the TNUoS Tariff Setting Process](#)

The Panel agreed to the withdrawal of the modification under CUSC 8.16.10(c).

Second Code Administrator Consultation Update: **CMP316**: [TNUoS Arrangements for Co-located Generation Sites](#)

The Panel agreed that CMP316 can proceed to a Second Code Administrator Consultation in line with the timeline as submitted within the Panel Papers.

Code Administrator Consultation Update: **CMP403 and CMP404**: [Introducing Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners & Transmission Service Providers \(Section 14 and 11\)](#)

The Panel approved the new timeline to ensure that the Code Administrator Consultations align with the GC0159 timeline.

The next [Modification Tracker](#) will be published on 08 Month 2024.

Workgroup Reports

The following Workgroup Report was presented to the Panel:

CMP393 'Using Imports and Exports to Calculate Annual Load Factor for Electricity Storage'

This modification proposes to alter the definition of Annual Load Factor (ALF) with respect to electricity storage, taking into account imports as well as exports. Here, 'electricity storage' refers to all storage that has booked Transmission Entry Capacity (i.e., pumped and battery).

The Panel agreed that the Terms of Reference have been met and agreed for CMP393 to proceed to Code Administrator Consultation. The Code Administrator Consultation will be published on 03 April 2024 and this will close on 01 May 2024.

CMP393 documentation can be found [here](#)

Draft Final Modification Reports

There were no Draft Final Modification Reports presented to the Panel.

Other

The Authority have recently published two consultations on Energy Code Reform:

- An [Ofgem consultation](#) on the implementation of Energy Code Reform (closing date 23 April 2024).
- A joint [DESNZ/Ofgem consultation](#) on Code Manager licence and Code Manger selection regulations (closing date 5 May 2024).

The Authority will be hosting a webinar on **Tuesday 26 March 2024**, from **10.00-12.00** which will summarise the key proposals for both consultations. There will also be an opportunity for attendees to ask any clarification questions on the content of the consultations.

The webinar is open to any organisation or individual interested in the consultations, please contact industrycodes@ofgem.gov.uk to register your interest.

Key Activities ahead of next panel

Transmission Charging Methodologies Forum: 04 April 2024

Modification Proposal Deadline for April Panel: 11 April 2024

Papers Day: 18 April 2024

Questions or feedback?

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