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CUSC Alternative Form – Non Charging

CMP434 Alternative Request 29: Combination of WACM1 and WACM6

Overview: This Alternative Request combines the aspects that are in WACM1 and WACM6 together in combination.

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☒ I/We confirm that this Alternative Request proposes to modify the non - charging section of the CUSC only

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What is the proposed alternative solution?

The proposed alternative combines the proposals that are defined in the following two WACMs:

- **WACM1: Clarification of Embedded Definition**
- **WACM6: Obligation to Codify the Methodologies and Guidance Documents under Connection Reform**

This will codify the Methodologies and Guidance so that they are ultimately under open governance but pragmatically delaying this and also clarify and simplify which projects go through the primary process from the outset.

What is the difference between this and the Original Proposal?

This option is in line with the Original Proposal, except for:

- changing the definition of Embedded schemes that are covered by the Primary Process to be defined by capacity rather than referencing Relevant Small, Medium and Large Power stations; and
- adding an obligation on NESO to codify the Methodologies and Guidance documents within a defined timescale.

What is the impact of this change?

Proposer's Assessment against CUSC Non-Charging Objectives	
Relevant Objective	Identified impact
(a) The efficient discharge by the Licensee of the obligations imposed on it by the Act and the Transmission Licence;	<p>Positive: WACM1 - Defining by capacity will ensure easier administration, implementation and more importantly longer term structure / understanding and governance for the wider stakeholder group</p> <p>WACM6 -This proposal will ensure that the appropriate methodologies and guidance are codified under a single code</p>

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	allowing the ESO to better manage the full range of connection arrangements under the transmission licence.
(b) Facilitating effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity, and (so far as consistent there-with) facilitating such competition in the sale, distribution and purchase of electricity;	<p>Positive: WACM1 - simplicity in the understanding of scope should widen understanding / appreciation across the wider stakeholder group.</p> <p>WACM6 -From the date of the codification of the methodologies and guidance under open governance arrangements in the CUSC, this proposal will reduce the ability for changes unchecked by industry experts to the methodologies that significantly impact upon a projects investment and strategy with no recourse to appeal or ability to propose an open governance change. Codification also ensures that new participants to the market will be able to more easily track their CUSC obligations to the relevant methodologies and guidance under a single code, enabling better competition in the market.</p>

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(c) Compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency *; and	None:
(d) Promoting efficiency in the implementation and administration of the CUSC arrangements.	<p>Positive: WACM1 - simpler definition that allows for greater understanding, reducing the risk of challenge or complaint</p> <p>WACM6 -This proposal simplifies the new transmission connection process by ensuring the obligations linked to this myriad of guidance documents and methodologies are held under one code for simplicity and provide new market entrants with the support of an open governance framework throughout every aspect of the connection process, thus promoting the efficiency in the implementation and administration of the CUSC arrangement</p>
<p>*The Electricity Regulation referred to in objective (c) is Regulation (EU) 2019/943 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 June 2019 on the internal market for electricity (recast) as it has effect immediately before IP completion day as read with the modifications set out in the SI 2020/1006.</p>	

When will this change take place?

Implementation date:

Same as Original proposal



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Implementation approach:

Same as Original proposal

Acronyms, key terms and reference material

Acronym / key term	Meaning
CUSC	Connection and Use of System Code
NESO	National Energy System Operator
WACM	Workgroup Alternative CUSC Modification