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Code Administrator Meeting

Summary

Workgroup Meeting 13: CMP448 Introducing a Progression Commitment Fee to the Gate 2 Connections Queue

Date: 29/05/2025

Contact Details

Chair: Joseph Henry, joseph.henry2@nationalenergyso.com

Proposer: Ash Adams, ashley.adams2@nationalenergyso.com

Key areas of discussion

The Chair outlined the meeting agenda, which included a review of the query and action log, legal text review, review Terms of Reference, review Workgroup Report and hold the Workgroup vote.

Action and Query Log

The Workgroup reviewed the action and query log and closed off actions which had been completed.

Consumer Impact Analysis

The Proposer presented updated slides on consumer impact analysis, incorporating additional years and specific WACC per technology, which were reviewed and accepted by the Workgroup and closed off this action.

Legal Text Review

The NESO legal SME presented updates to the legal text, including changes to the PCF activation threshold and provisions for staged projects, which were discussed and agreed upon by the Workgroup at the previous meeting. The updates involved removing unnecessary wording and clarifying the process for the PCF activation threshold, introducing provisions to ensure correct PCF calculation for staged projects, and allowing NESO to issue updated cancellation charge statements and release security held for the PCF.

Terms of Reference Review

The Workgroup reviewed the Terms of Reference to ensure all points, including EBR implications, connection timelines, and the impact on distribution-connected projects,

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were covered in the work group report. The Workgroup agreed that all Terms of reference had been addressed and documented in the report.

Workgroup Report Review

The Workgroup reviewed the comments received on the Workgroup Report and made the necessary changes. The Workgroup agreed the report accurately reflects the discussions and decisions made throughout the Workgroup process.

WACM2 Discussion

The Workgroup had an extensive discussion on the WACM2 proposal, focusing on the process for tech reduction and termination, including the need for a mod app, formal notification, and the implications of timing on the PCF calculation. Following further discussions, it was agreed that WACM2 would remain as intended with a 90-day notification period, and the legal text would be redrafted to reflect this, ensuring clarity and alignment with the original intent.

Next Steps

- The final Workgroup meeting will be held on 30 May 2025 to agree the legal text and hold the Workgroup vote.

Actions

For the full action log, click [here](#).

4	WG1	AA	NESO to clarify if the new regime will be reflected and operated through the connection portal.	WG11	Closed
8	WG2	AA	Produce further scenarios on when the PCF is triggered and the timeframe between the acceptance signature and the counter signature	WG13	Open
15	WG6	JH	To revisit slide 10 of the pack, adjust and clarify with Workgroup.	WG11	Closed
24	WG7	AA	NESO to provide consumer impact analysis in line with Query No 22.	WG12	Closed

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Attendees

Name	Initial	Company	Role
Joe Henry	JH	NESO	Chair
Ren Walker	RW	NESO	Tech Sec
Ash Adams	AA	NESO	Proposer
Andrew Allan	AAL	RWE	Workgroup Member
Amy - Isabella Wells	AIW	NGET	Workgroup Member
Andrew Yates	AY	Statkraft	Workgroup Member
Barney Cowin	BC	Bluefloat Energy/Nadara Partnership	Workgroup Member
Brian Hoy	BH	ENWL	Workgroup Member
Catherine Cleary	CC	Roadnight Taylor	Workgroup Member
Claire Hynes	CH	RWE Supply and Trading GmbH	Workgroup Member
Rosemary McInness	RMI	ScottishPower Renewables	Workgroup Alternate
Dennis Gowland	DG	Research Relay Ltd	Workgroup Member
Andy Colley	AC	SSE Generation	Workgroup Alternate
Gareth Williams	GW	SP Energy Networks	Workgroup Member
Grahame Neale	GN	Lightsource BP	Workgroup Member
Grant Rogers	GR	Qualitas Energy	Workgroup Member
Jack Purchase	JP	NGED	Workgroup Member
Jamie McDougall	JMD	SP Energy Networks	Workgroup Member
James Jackson	JJ	Orsted	Workgroup Member
Joe Colebrook	JC	Innova	Workgroup Member

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Kimbrah Hiorns	KH	EDF Renewables	Workgroup Alternate
Nina Sanghera	NS	Drax	Workgroup Member
Robin Prince	RP	Island Green Power	Workgroup Member
Rob Smith	RS	ENSO Energy	Workgroup Member
Charles Williams	CW	Wind2	Workgroup Observer
Euan Norrington	EN	SSE Renewables	Workgroup Observer
Kyle Smith	KS	Energy Networks	Workgroup Observer
Jamie Hardy	JH	Accenture	SME
Daniel Ffrechh Mullen	DFM	Ofgem	Authority Representative