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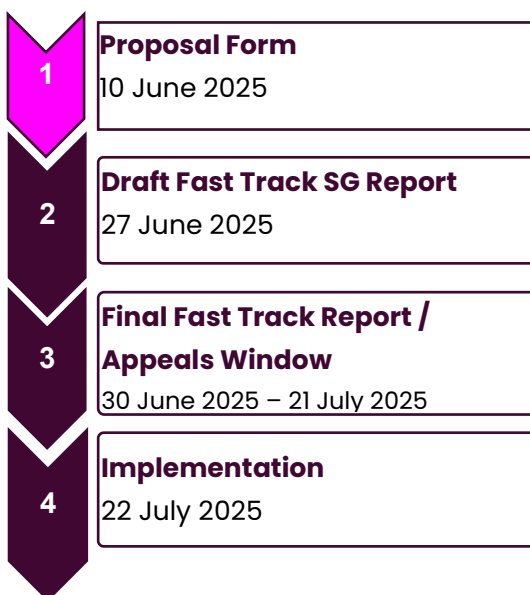
CUSC Modification Proposal Form

CMP455:

Minor Amendments to the CUSC following implementation of CMP434/ CMP435

Overview: Following the Authority's decision approving CMP434/CMP435 on 15 April 2025, a number of minor clarifications are required to CUSC Sections 2, 6, 11, 18, Exhibit U, Schedule 2 Exhibit 3 and Schedule 2 Exhibit 3A.

Modification process & timetable



Status summary: The Proposer has raised a modification and is seeking a decision from the Panel on the governance route to be taken.

This modification is expected to have a: Low impact

CUSC Schedule 1 Signatories, National Energy System Operator

Proposer's recommendation of governance route

Fast-track Self-Governance modification

Who can I talk to about the change?

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What is the issue?

On 15 April 2025, the Authority approved modifications CMP434 – Implementing Connections Reform and CMP435 – Application of Gate 2 Criteria to existing contracted background. A number of very minor clarifications to the drafted text and some typographical changes have been identified since the Final Modification Report was published. Therefore, for the sake of clarity for all industry participants this Modification proposes to update and align them as set out further below.

Why change?

In order for the approved processes to be clearly understood by all Users, these very minor changes will ensure consistency, clarity and understanding of the CUSC.

What is the Proposer's solution?

Amend and align, the following existing references and definitions that are already in CUSC in Sections 2, 6, 11, 18, Exhibit U, Schedule 2 Exhibit 3 and Schedule 2 Exhibit 3A.

Legal text

The full legal text can be found in **Annex 01**. The following sections will be amended as described:

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CUSC Reference	Why the change is needed
Section 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2.13.1 – Reference to ‘Other Offshore Projects’ should be corrected to ‘Offshore Projects’ 2.13.3.2 – the ‘and’ in ‘Gated Application and Offer Process’ should be in bold
Section 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All references to ‘Large Embedded Power Station’ should be corrected to ‘Embedded Large Power Station’ All references to ‘Modification Notices’ should be corrected to ‘Modification Notification’ Clause 6.5.5.10 contains a cross reference to clause 6.5.5.4 but this clause is now ‘not used’, so should be corrected to 6.5.5.1
Section 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ‘Exisiting’ in the ‘Project’ definition should be unbolded and uncapitalised Colour change of text to black for definitions for ‘Advancement’, ‘Advancement Request’, ‘CMP434’, ‘CMP434 Implementation Date’, ‘CMP434 Gate 1 Agreement’, ‘CMP434 Gate 2 Agreement’, ‘CMP435’, ‘CMP435 Implementation Date’ ‘Connections Network Design Methodology’, ‘EA Information’, ‘EA Register’, ‘Gate 1 Agreements’, ‘Gate 1 Application’, ‘Gate 1 ATV’, ‘Gate 1 Conditional Clause’, ‘Gate 1 Existing Agreements’, ‘Gate 1 Offer’, ‘Gate 1 Notification’, ‘Gate 2 Agreements’, ‘Gate 2 Application’, ‘Gate 2 Criteria’, ‘Gate 2 Criteria Methodology’, ‘Gate 2 Existing Agreements’, ‘Gate 2 Offer’, ‘Gate 2 Modification Offer’, ‘Gated Agreements’, ‘Gated Applicant’, ‘Gated Application’, ‘Gated Application and Offer Process’, ‘Gated Application Window’, ‘Gated Application Window and Offer Run’, ‘Gated Design Process’, ‘Gated Modification’, ‘Gated Modification Application’, ‘Gated Modification Guidance’, ‘Gated Modification Offer’, ‘Gated Process for Projects with Existing Agreements’, ‘Gated Timetable’, ‘Project’ A space is required between the definitions of ‘Gated Application and Offer Process’ and ‘Gated Application Window’ The font size for definitions of ‘CMP434’, and ‘CMP434 Implementation Date’ should be corrected The ‘Gate 2 Criteria Methodology’ definition should be corrected by removing; (referred to in the ESO Licence as the ‘Connections Criteria Methodology’)

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 'Gate 1 Conditional Clause' definition should be corrected by removing (b) 'Connections Network Design Methodology' should be moved to the correct alphabetical order 'Installed Capacity' definition should be corrected by changing "Transmission Energy Capacity" to "Transmission Entry Capacity"
Section 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clause numbers should be unbolded throughout the document The reference to 18.7.2.3 within 18.16.2.1 should be corrected to 18.16.2.3. 'Security Arrangement' should be unbolded and uncapitalised 'Gated Application and Offer Process Run' should be corrected to 'Gated Application Window and Offer Run'
Exhibit U	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All references to 'Modification Offer' should be corrected to 'Gated Modification Offer'
Schedule 2 Exhibit 3	<p>Part One</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recitals Clause (G) should be corrected by including an open square bracket 'Gate 2 Date' definition should be corrected by including an open square bracket and removing a hyphen 'Reservation Expiry Date' definition should be corrected by including Colour change of text to black for 7.5 <p>Part Two</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recitals Clause (G) should be corrected by removing an open square bracket Recitals Clause G should be corrected by including a full stop at the end of the sentence. Colour change of text to black for 7.2 Clause 7.2 should be corrected by including an open square bracket Clause 7.2 numbering should be corrected from 7.5.1 – 7.5.3 to 7.2.1 – 7.2.3
Schedule 2 Exhibit 3A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colour change of text to black for 7.4 Clause 7.4 should be corrected by unbolding the bold square brackets

What is the impact of this change?

This change is low impact to CUSC Schedule 1 Parties and to The Company. It will enable better clarity in the intent of the legal text and remove potential ambiguity in the CUSC following the implementation of CMP434 and CMP435.

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Proposer's assessment against CUSC Non-Charging Objectives

Relevant Objective	Identified impact
(i) The efficient discharge by the Licensee of the obligations imposed on it by the Act and by this licence*;	Neutral
(ii) Facilitating effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity, and (so far as consistent therewith) facilitating such competition in the sale, distribution and purchase of electricity;	Neutral
(iii) Compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency **; and	Neutral
(iv) Promoting efficiency in the implementation and administration of the CUSC arrangements.	Positive This modification will ensure that all relevant text and definitions within CUSC are slightly clearer and easier to follow as a result of <u>CMP434</u> and <u>CMP435</u>

* See *Electricity System Operator Licence*

**The Electricity Regulation referred to in objective (iii) 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.

Proposer's assessment of the impact of the modification on the stakeholder / consumer benefit categories

Stakeholder / consumer benefit categories	Identified impact
Improved safety and reliability of the system	Neutral

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Lower bills than would otherwise be the case	Neutral
Benefits for society as a whole	Neutral
Reduced environmental damage	Neutral
Improved quality of service	Positive This modification ensures the CUSC text and definitions resultant of modifications <u>CMP434</u> and <u>CMP435</u> are more clearly defined aiding User understanding and removing potential ambiguity.

When will this change take place?

Implementation date:

22 July 2025

Date decision required by

Decision required by the CUSC Panel on 27 June 2025.

Implementation approach

N/A

Proposer's justification for governance route

Governance route: Fast-track Self- Governance modification.

This modification amends existing text and definitions in CUSC and should not need to be assessed by a Workgroup due to discussions already had during CMP434/CMP435 Workgroup meetings. The most efficient way to implement this modification is by using the Fast Track Self Governance arrangements contained within the CUSC as this would be the most efficient use of industry time and resource.

In the view of the Proposer, the modification meets the fast Track Self Governance Criteria as it relates to what is an administrative change and further facilitates the Authority's approval of two CUSC modifications. It is proposed that this modification will update CUSC in the areas outlined above by resolving a number of highlighted administrative and typographical errors, therefore removing future ambiguity for Users and will help facilitate the first Window as part of CMP434/CMP435.

Interactions

☒ CUSC ☐ BSC ☒ STC ☐ SQSS
☐ European Network Codes ☐ EBR Article 18 T&Cs¹ ☐ Other modifications ☐ Other

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This modification should impact CUSC users and The Company only as a result of CMP434 and CMP435. There is a similar clarification Modification being raised in STC due to CM095 being approved.

Acronyms, key terms and reference material

Acronym / key term	Meaning
BSC	Balancing and Settlement Code
CUSC	Connection and Use of System Code
EBR	Electricity Balancing Regulation
NETS	National Electricity Transmission System
GC	Grid Code
STC	System Operator Transmission Owner Code
SQSS	Security and Quality of Supply Standards
T&Cs	Terms and Conditions

Reference material

The modification pages, including all documents and decision letters from the Authority, can be found here:

- [CMP434 Implementing Connections Reform | National Energy System Operator](#)
- [CMP435 Application of Gate 2 Criteria to existing contracted background | National Energy System Operator](#)

Annexes

Annex	Information
Annex 01	CMP455 Legal Text