

Workgroup Terms of Reference and Membership

CMP447: Removal of designated strategic works from cancellation charges/securitisation

Responsibilities

1. The Workgroup is responsible for assisting the CUSC Modification Panel in the evaluation of CUSC Modification Proposal **CMP447: Removal of designated strategic works from cancellation charges/securitisation** raised by **NESO** at the Modifications Panel meeting on **31 January 2025**. The proposal must be evaluated to consider whether it better facilitates achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives.

Applicable CUSC (non-charging) Objectives

- i) The efficient discharge by the Licensee of the obligations imposed on it by the Act and by this licence*;
- 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;
- iii) Compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency **; and
- iv) Promoting efficiency in the implementation and administration of the CUSC arrangements.

* 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.*

2. It should be noted that additional provisions apply where it is proposed to modify the CUSC Modification provisions, and generally reference should be made to the Electricity System Operator Licence for the full definition of the term.

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Scope of work

3. The Workgroup must consider the issues raised by the Modification Proposal and consider if the proposal identified better facilitates achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives.
4. In addition, the Workgroup shall consider and report on the following specific issues:

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a) Consider EBR implications	
b) Consider timing and process for implementation with regard to ongoing Connection Reform	
c) Consider if a wider approach that takes account to works designated by GEMA might be suitable.	
d) Consider the provision of anonymised data/ worked examples	

5. The Workgroup is responsible for the formulation and evaluation of any Workgroup Alternative CUSC Modifications (WACMs) arising from Group discussions which would, as compared with the Modification Proposal or the current version of the CUSC, better facilitate achieving the Applicable CUSC Objectives in relation to the issue or defect identified.
6. The Workgroup should become conversant with the definition of Workgroup Alternative CUSC Modification which appears in Section 11 (Interpretation and Definitions) of the CUSC. The definition entitles the Group and/or an individual member of the Workgroup to put forward a WACM if the member(s) genuinely

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believes the WACM would better facilitate the achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives as compared with the Modification Proposal. The extent of the support for the Modification Proposal or any WACM arising from the Workgroup's discussions should be clearly described in the final Workgroup Report to the CUSC Modifications Panel.

7. Workgroup members should be mindful of efficiency and propose the fewest number of WACMs possible.
8. All proposed WACMs should include the Proposer(s)'s details within the final Workgroup report, for the avoidance of doubt this includes WACMs which are proposed by the entire Workgroup or subset of members.
9. There is an obligation on the Workgroup to undertake a period of Consultation in accordance with CUSC 8.20. The Workgroup Consultation period shall be for a period of 15 working days as determined by the Modifications Panel.
10. Following the Consultation period, the Workgroup is required to consider all responses including any WG Consultation Alternative Requests. In undertaking an assessment of any WG Consultation Alternative Request, the Workgroup should consider whether it better facilitates the Applicable CUSC Objectives than the current version of the CUSC.

As appropriate, the Workgroup will be required to undertake any further analysis and update the original Modification Proposal and/or WACMs. All responses including any WG Consultation Alternative Requests shall be included within the final report including a summary of the Workgroup's deliberations and conclusions. The report should make it clear where and why the Workgroup chairperson has exercised their right under the CUSC to progress a WG Consultation Alternative Request or a WACM against the majority views of Workgroup members. It should also be explicitly stated where, under these circumstances, the Workgroup chairperson is employed by the same organisation who submitted the WG Consultation Alternative Request.

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11. The Workgroup is to submit its final Workgroup Report to the Modifications Panel Secretary on **12 September 2025** for circulation to Panel Members. The final Workgroup Report conclusions will be presented to the CUSC Modifications Panel meeting on **18 September 2025**.

Membership

12. It is recommended that the Workgroup has the following members:

Role	Name	Representing
Chair	Sarah Williams	NESO Code Administrator
Technical Secretary	Kat Higby	NESO Code Administrator
Proposer	Harvey Tahkar	NESO
Proposer Alternate	Paul Mott	NESO
Workgroup Member	Alan Kelly	Corio Generation
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Varun Mittal	Corio Generation
Workgroup Member	Als Scrope	Northland Power
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Emanuele Dentis	Northland Power
Workgroup Member	Barney Cowin	Blue Float
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Amy Parry	Blue Float
Workgroup Member	Calum MacDonald	Point and Sandwick Trust
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Martyn Bentley	Point and Sandwick Trust
Workgroup Member	Charles Yates	Muir Mhor Offshore Wind Farm Ltd
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Michael Holmes	Muir Mhor Offshore Wind Farm Ltd

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Workgroup Member	Ciaran Fitzgerald	Scottish Power Renewables
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Rosemary McInness	Scottish Power Renewables
Workgroup Member	Damian Clough	SSE
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Garth Graham	SSE
Workgroup Member	Glenn Smith	EDF Energy Renewables
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Binoy Dharsi	EDF Energy Renewables
Workgroup Member	Joe Colebrook	Innova
Workgroup Member	Kirsty Dawson	Statkraft
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Adanna Ugo-okoye	Statkraft
Workgroup Member	Kyle Murchie	Roadnight Taylor
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Catherine Cleary	Roadnight Taylor
Workgroup Member	Lenka Peskova	ESB Generation and Trading
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Anthony Diccio	ESB Generation and Trading
Workgroup Member	Mark McCabe	Boralex Limited
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Glyn Jones	Boralex Limited
Workgroup Member	Matthew Dowds	Muirhall Energy
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Mark Scott	Muirhall Energy
Workgroup Member	Patrick Smart	RES UK & IRELAND LIMITED

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Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Chanura Wijeratne	RES UK & IRELAND LIMITED
Workgroup Member	Paul Youngman	Drax
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Nina Sanghera	Drax
Workgroup Member	Neil Bennett	SSEN Transmission
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Greg Stevenson	SSEN Transmission
Workgroup Member	Richard Blanchfield	Talisk-Magnora Offshore Wind Ltd
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Leon Notkevich	Talisk-Magnora Offshore Wind Ltd
Workgroup Member	Sam Aitchison	Island Green Power
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Robin Prince	Island Green Power
Workgroup Member	Calum Duff	Bowdun Offshore Wind Farm
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	E Lian Diong	Bowdun Offshore Wind Farm
Workgroup Member	Dennis Gowland	Research Relay Ltd
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Chris White	Research Relay Ltd
Workgroup Member	Tim Ellingham	RWE
Workgroup Member (Alternate)	Andrew Allan	RWE
Authority Representative	Christopher Patrick	Ofgem

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NB: A Workgroup must comprise at least 5 members (who may be Panel Members). The roles identified with an asterisk (*) in the table above contribute toward the required quorum, determined in accordance with paragraph 14 below.

13. The Chairperson of the Workgroup and the Modifications Panel Chairperson must agree a number that will be quorum for each Workgroup meeting. The agreed figure for this modification is that at least 5 Workgroup members must participate in a meeting for quorum to be met.

14. A vote is to take place by all eligible Workgroup members on the Modification Proposal and each WACM. The vote shall be decided by simple majority of those present at the meeting at which the vote takes place (whether in person or by teleconference). The Workgroup chairperson shall not have a vote, casting or otherwise. There may be up to three rounds of voting, as follows:

Vote 1: whether each proposal better facilitates the Applicable CUSC Objectives;

Vote 2: where one or more WACMs exist, whether each WACM better facilitates the Applicable CUSC Objectives than the original Modification Proposal;

Vote 3: which option is considered to BEST facilitate achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives. For the avoidance of doubt, this vote should include the existing CUSC baseline as an option.

The results from the vote and the reasons for such voting shall be recorded in the Workgroup report in as much detail as practicable.

15. It is expected that Workgroup members would only abstain from voting under limited circumstances, for example where a member feels that a proposal has been insufficiently developed. Where a member has such concerns, they should raise these with the Workgroup chairperson at the earliest possible opportunity and certainly before the Workgroup vote takes place. Where abstention occurs, the reason should be recorded in the Workgroup report.
16. Workgroup members or their appointed alternate are required to attend a minimum of 50% of the Workgroup meetings to be eligible to participate in the Workgroup vote.

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17. The Technical Secretary shall keep an Attendance Record for the Workgroup meetings and circulate the Attendance Record with the Action Notes after each meeting. This will be attached to the final Workgroup report.
18. The Workgroup membership can be amended from time to time by the CUSC Modifications Panel.

Terms of Reference Version Control

Issue	Date	Summary of Changes / Reasons	Panel Approval Date
1	31/01/2025	Panel approved Terms of Reference ahead of nominations	31/01/2025