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# CUSC Panel 23 May 2025

## CUSC Panel Minutes

**Date:** 23/05/2025      **Location:** Microsoft Teams

**Start:** 10:00 AM      **End:** 12:35PM

## Participants

| Attendee             | Initials | Representing                                  |
|----------------------|----------|---|
| Trisha McAuley       | TM       | Independent Panel Chair                       |
| Catia Gomes          | CG       | Panel Secretary, Code Administrator           |
| Ren Walker           | RW       | Panel Technical Secretary, Code Administrator |
| Andrew Enzor         | AE       | Users' Panel Member                           |
| Andy Pace            | AP       | Consumers' Panel Member                       |
| Binoy Dharsi         | BD       | Users' Panel Member                           |
| Garth Graham         | GG       | Users' Panel Member                           |
| Joe Colebrook        | JC       | Users' Panel Member                           |
| Mark Duffield        | MD       | Users' Panel Member Alternate                 |
| Kyran Hanks          | KH       | Users' Panel Member                           |
| Paul Jones           | PJ       | Users' Panel Member                           |
| Daniel Arrowsmith    | DA       | NESO Panel Member                             |
| Nadir Hafeez         | NH       | Authority Representative                      |
| Harriet Harmon       | HH       | Authority Representative                      |
| Rashmi Radhakrishnan | RR       | Elexon Observer                               |

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## Apologies

| Attendee | Initials | Representing        |
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| Joe Dunn | JD       | Users' Panel Member |

## Presenters

| Attendee       | Initials | Representing                      |
|----------------|----------|-----------------------------------|
| Lisa Waters    | LW       | Waters Wye                        |
| Matthew Foster | MF       | Triton Power – Proposer of CMP453 |
| Scott Keen     | SK       | Triton Power                      |

## Observers

| Attendee | Initials | Representing |
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## 1. Introductions, Apologies and Declarations of Interest

12878. Apologies were received from Joe Dunn.

12879. The following declarations of interest were recorded:

- GG advised that his organisation is a 50% shareholder of Triton Power (the Proposer).
- KH confirmed that he helped draft the CMP453 modification proposal.

## 2. Minutes from previous meeting

12880. The meeting minutes from 28 April were approved. The minutes from the Panel held on 02 May and Special Panel on 15 May will be subject to approval at the meeting on 27 June 2025.

## 3. Review of actions log

12881. The CUSC Panel reviewed the open actions from the meeting held on 02 May, which can be found on the Actions Log. The Panel discussed open action 182 and agreed that this should remain open until a CUSC Modification has been raised.

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## 4. Chair's update

12882. No updates from the Chair.

## 5. Authority Decisions

12883. NH provided an update on Modifications that have been decided upon, together with those currently awaiting their decision.

### Decisions since last CUSC Panel

12884. NH confirmed the following decisions have been made since the last CUSC Panel.

| Modification  | Decision                                     | Implementation Date |
|---|--|---------------------|
| <a href="#">CMP446</a> 'Increasing the lower threshold in England and Wales for Evaluation of Transmission Impact Assessment (TIA)' | On 12 May 2025 the Authority approved WACM 1 | 13 May 2025         |

### Awaiting Decisions

| Modification   | FMR submitted    | Expected Decision Date                               |
|--|------------------|--|
| <a href="#">CMP315</a> 'TNUoS Review of the expansion constant and the elements of the transmission system charged for' and <a href="#">CMP375</a> 'Enduring Expansion Constant & Expansion Factor Review' | 07 February 2024 | TBC<br>(previously 07 February 2025)                 |
| <a href="#">CMP330&amp;CMP374</a> 'Allowing new Transmission Connected parties to build Connection Assets greater than 2km in length and Extending contestability for Transmission Connections'            | 10 August 2023   | TBC subject to CMP414 send back                      |
| <a href="#">CMP397</a> 'Consequential changes required to CUSC Exhibits B and D to reflect CMP316 (Co-located Generation Sites)'   | 12 June 2024     | 30 September 2025 (previously 24 January 2025)       |
| <a href="#">CMP418</a> 'Refine the allocation of Dynamic Reactive Compensation Equipment (DRCE) costs at OFTO transfer'  | 11 March 2025    | TBC  |
| <a href="#">CMP441</a> 'Reducing the credit risk of supplying non-embedded hydrogen Electrolysers'   | 23 December 2024 | TBC (Minded to consultation to be published in June) |
| <a href="#">CMP444</a> 'Introducing a cap and floor to wider generation TNUoS charges'   | 28 March 2025    | 01 July 2025   |

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## Other Updates

12885. NH advised the Panel that on 11 March, the Authority published their decision to carry out the selection of the code managers for the REC and the BSC on a non-competitive basis. NH stated that the Authority has invited the RECCo and Elexon to submit a licensing assessment form, following the process that was consulted on in November last year. NH confirmed the Authority will be publishing a decision document in response to that consultation in due course.

## 6. New modifications

12886. One new modification was presented to the Panel.

### **CMP453 To bill BSUoS on a met basis at BSC Trading Units**

12887. MF delivered a presentation on CMP453 to the Panel. MF explained that this modification seeks to move to gross billing of BSUoS means that customers forming part of a BSC Trading Unit are paying BSUoS when the net flows at the point of connection are exports, so the customers are not using the system and should not pay BSUoS.

12888. The Panel also discussed the proposed timeline for CMP453, noting that the proposed implementation date is 01 April 2026. CG advised the Panel that under CMP292, a decision would be required by 30 September. HH stated that the date of 30 September is a target date, not a requirement, therefore this wouldn't preclude a decision or implementation.

12889. The Panel held discussions on the proposed governance route and by majority agreed that CMP453 should follow the Standard governance route proceed to a Workgroup. The Panel agreed to approve the Terms of Reference for CMP453 Workgroup via circulation.

## 7. In flight modification updates

12890. CG talked the Panel through the progression of the in-flight modifications. The in-flight modifications can be found within the CUSC Panel papers pack via the following link: [Modification Tracker](#)

### **CMP316: TNUoS Arrangements for Co-located Generation Sites**

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12891. The Panel approved the new timeline for CMP316, along with an agreement for a Special CUSC Panel meeting on 07 August to ensure that the Final Modification Report is submitted to the Authority in time for implementation (if approved).

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

12892. The Panel approved the new timeline as submitted within the Panel Papers subject to NESO gathering evidence on how best to address timing concerns from industry participants. A further update will be provided by NESO at TCMF on 05 June 2025.

### **CMP445: Pro-rating first year TNUoS for Generators**

12893. CG presented the proposed amendments to the Terms of Reference to the Panel. The Panel approved the amended Terms of Reference as submitted within the Panel Papers and also provided some wording for the Workgroup to consider in their report in relation to ToR c).

The next Modification Tracker will be published on 07 June.

## **8. Workgroup Reports**

12894. No Workgroup Reports were presented to the Panel.

## **9. Draft Final Modification Reports**

12895. No Draft Final Modification Reports were presented to the Panel.

## **10. Discussion on Prioritisation**

12896. The Panel carried out a monthly review of the prioritisation stack, taking into consideration feedback from industry participants, the CUSC Panel agreed the following changes to the prioritisation stack:

| Modification  | Panel Comments  | Position in Prioritisation Stack |
|---|---|----------------------------------|
| <u>CMP453</u> 'To Bill BSUoS on a net basis at BSC Trading Units' | The Panel unanimously agreed that based on the prioritisation criteria, CMP453 should be placed high. | High                             |

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12897. The Panel will continue to review the prioritisation stack on a monthly basis, taking into account feedback from industry. As work on the current modifications concludes and industry capacity is released, the Panel will prioritise and review other modifications accordingly.

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

## 11. Standing Groups

### Transmission Charging Methodology Forum (TCMF)

12898. DA informed Panel that the TCMF meeting was held on 08 May. The meeting materials can be found via the following link: [Transmission Charging Methodology Forum](#)

## 12. European Updates

### Joint European Stakeholder Group (JESG)

12899. GG confirmed that the JESG meeting due to be held on 13 May was cancelled. The next JESG meeting will be held on 10 June.

## 13. Update on other Industry Codes

12900. The Panel papers and Headline Report for the following meetings can be found at the below links:

- 06 May 2025 Special SQSS [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)
- 21 May 2025 Grid Code Review [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)
- 22 May 2025 STC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

## 14. Relevant Interruptions Claim Report

12901. No further updates for the Panel.

## 15. Governance

12902. No further updates for the Panel.

## 16. Horizon Scan

12903. CG presented the Horizon Scan to the Panel. The Panel had no further comments on this.

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## 17. Code Administrator Update

12904. No further updates for the Panel.

## 18. Any Other Business (AOB)

### Independent Chairperson – Process overview

12905. CG provided the Panel with an overview of the process for the appointment of the new Independent Chairperson. CG explained that Panel Members can be involved with the interview panel and then a recommendation will be put forward to the Authority for approval. CG stated that while the recruitment process is underway for the Independent Chairperson, a Senior Manager from NESO will act as the interim Independent Chair, this is in line with Section 8.7.1. CG confirmed that the Independent Chairperson will be recruited for both the CUSC and Grid Code Review Panel.

## 19. Close

12906. The Chair thanked the Panel for their time and contribution and brought the meeting to a close. The CUSC Panel Members took the opportunity to thank TM for everything she has done as the Independent Panel Chair over the past 7.5 years and wished her the best of luck for the future.

**The next CUSC Panel meeting will be held on 27 June.**

**New Modification Proposals to be submitted by 12 June.**

**CUSC Panel Papers Day is 19 June.**