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Dear Jack,

Please find an accompanying update NESO intends to publish on the connections methodologies that underpin the reformed connections process (TMO4+), subject to Ofgem's agreement.

The update follows a similar format and approach to the updates to the connections methodologies submitted to Ofgem for agreement in March and April 2025.

The purpose of this update is to set out:

- several key process improvements that allow for more efficient implementation of the Gate 2 to the Whole Queue process (G2TWQ);
- several key areas where further clarification of the methodologies is beneficial in order to ensure that the full range of technologies and project types is able to participate fully and with clarity within the G2TWQ process.

Next steps

We are submitting this update to Ofgem and intend to publish it, in order to provide clarity to stakeholders on the approach we are taking to implement G2TWQ. For the avoidance of doubt, we do not consider that these key process improvements or key further clarifications represent material changes to the connections methodologies.

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As such, and subject to Ofgem's agreement, in line with paragraph 2.46(a) of Ofgem's decision on TMO4+¹, we do not intend to consult on these key process improvements or key further clarifications to the connections methodologies.

Subject to Ofgem's agreement, we would like to publish the update alongside a letter of response from Ofgem. We consider that publication of an Ofgem response would reassure stakeholders that the G2TWQ process can continue as planned and in line with the arrangements set out in the methodologies and the update.

We would be happy to discuss anything in this letter or in the update further.

Yours sincerely

Matthew Magill

Director of Connections

¹ <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2025-04/Decision-on-TMO4-Reform-related-Modifications-to-Electricity-Licence-Conditions.pdf>