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# CUSC Panel

Friday 30 January 2026

Faraday House



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# WELCOME



## Purpose of Panel & Duties of Panel Members

The **Panel** shall be the standing body to carry out the **functions** referred to in CUSC – Section 8 CUSC Modification (8.3.3)

The **Panel** shall endeavour at all time to operate:

- In an **efficient, economical and expeditious manner**, taking account of the complexity, importance and urgency of particular CUSC Modification Proposals; and
- With a view to ensuring that the CUSC facilitates **achievement of the Applicable CUSC Objectives**.

### Duties of Panel Members & Alternates (8.3.4)

1. Shall act **impartially** and in accordance with the requirements of the **CUSC**; and
2. Shall not have any **conflicts of interest**.

Shall not be representative of, and shall act without undue regard to the particular interests of the persons or body of persons by whom he/she was appointed as Panel Member and any Related Person from time to time.

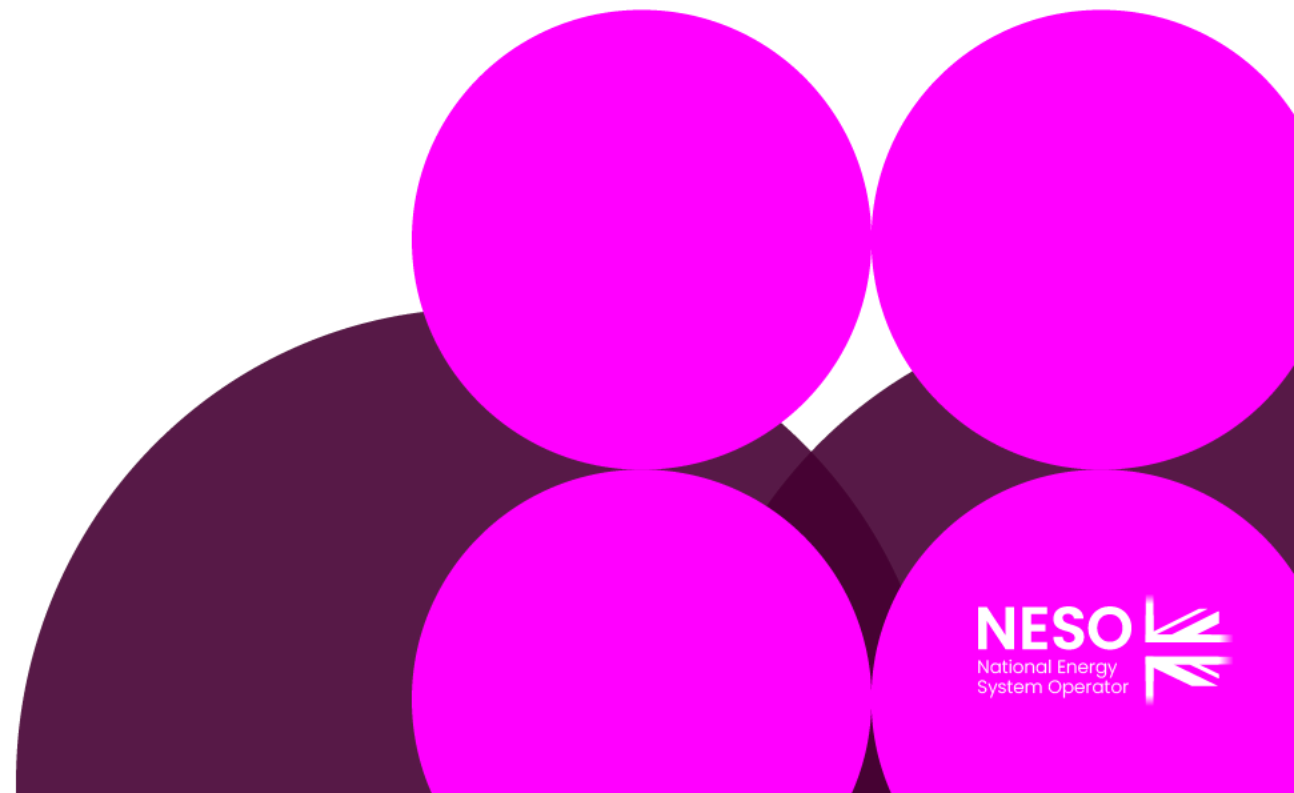
## Approval of Panel Minutes

Approval of Panel Minutes from the meeting held on 28 November and 12 December 2025

## Action Log

- Action 182

## Chair's Update



# Authority Decisions and Update (as at 22 January 2026)

## Decisions Received since last Panel Meeting

Modification	Decisions	Implementation Date
<b>CMP447</b> 'Removal of designated strategic works from cancellation charges/securitisation'	On 07 January 2026, the Authority approved the Original solution	21 January 2026

The Authority's publication on decisions can be found on their website below:

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/code-modificationmodification-proposals-ofgem-decision-expected-publication-dates-timetable>

# Authority Decisions and Update (as of 22 January 2026)

## Decisions Pending

Modification	Final Modification Report Received	Expected Decision Date
<b>CMP315</b> 'TNUoS Review of the expansion constant and the elements of the transmission system charged for' and <b>CMP375</b> 'Enduring Expansion Constant & Expansion Factor Review'	07 February 2024	TBC pending update on National Pricing Reform (previously 07 February 2025)
<b>CMP316</b> 'TNUoS Charging Methodology for Co-located Generation'	08 August 2025	10 December 2025 (previously October 2025)
<b>CMP330&amp;CMP374</b> '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
<b>CMP344</b> 'Clarification of Transmission Licensee revenue recovery and the treatment of revenue adjustments in the Charging Methodology'	09 July 2025	10 December 2025 (previously October 2025)
<b>CMP397</b> 'Consequential changes required to CUSC Exhibits B and D to reflect CMP316 (Co-Located Generation Sites)'	12 June 2024	10 December 2025 (previously October 2025)
<b>CMP448</b> 'Introducing a Progression Commitment Fee to the Gate 2 Connections Queue '	04 July 2025	08 December 2025 (previously November 2025)
<b>CMP453</b> 'To Bill BSUoS on a net basis at BSC Trading Units'	11 November 2025	TBC
<b>CMP462</b> Provision for Alternate Panel Members	12 December 2025	TBC
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## Inflight Modification Updates

- CMP456: Cost recovery for legacy plant in relation to GC0168 and CMP466: CMP456 Consequential Charging Modification
- CMP460: Improving Transmission Connection Asset Charging
- CMP465: Construction Progression Milestones (M5-M8) Neutrality

## **CMP456: Cost recovery for legacy plant in relation to GC0168 and CMP466: CMP456 Consequential Charging Modification Timeline Update**

	Workgroup Report issued to Panel	DFMR issued to Panel	FMR issued to Ofgem	Decision Date	Implementation Date
Previous timeline	24 April 2026	26 June 2026	10 July 2026	TBC	TBC
New timeline	22 May 2026	27 July 2026	12 August 2026	TBC	TBC

**Rationale:** Built extra time into to the timeline to account for the turn around of two reports – as the modifications are running together. Kept the same number of Workgroup meetings suggested by Panel.

### **Workgroups Remaining: 4**

#### CMP456 and CMP466– the asks of Panel

- **AGREE** revised timeline



# CMP456: Cost recovery for legacy plant in relation to GC0168 and CMP466: CMP456 Consequential Charging **Modification Terms of Reference**

The Workgroup would like reflect the following within their Terms of Reference:

Amended Workgroup Terms of Reference	
a) Consider EBR implications	

CMP456 and CMP466- the asks of Panel  
•**AGREE** the Terms of Reference

# CMP460: Improving Transmission Connection Asset Charging Request to change Terms of Reference

The Workgroup would like reflect the following within their Terms of Reference:

## Amended Workgroup Terms of Reference

b) Consider the development and interactions with any **relevant** DCUSA modifications when identifying a solution

CMP460- the asks of Panel

- **AGREE** the amended points within Terms of Reference

## CMP465: Construction Progression Milestones( M5 – M8) Neutrality Withdrawal

The Proposer withdrew their support for CMP465 on 15 January 2026. A withdrawal window was opened up for 5 Business Days from this date.

No parties came forward to become the Proposer for this Modification.

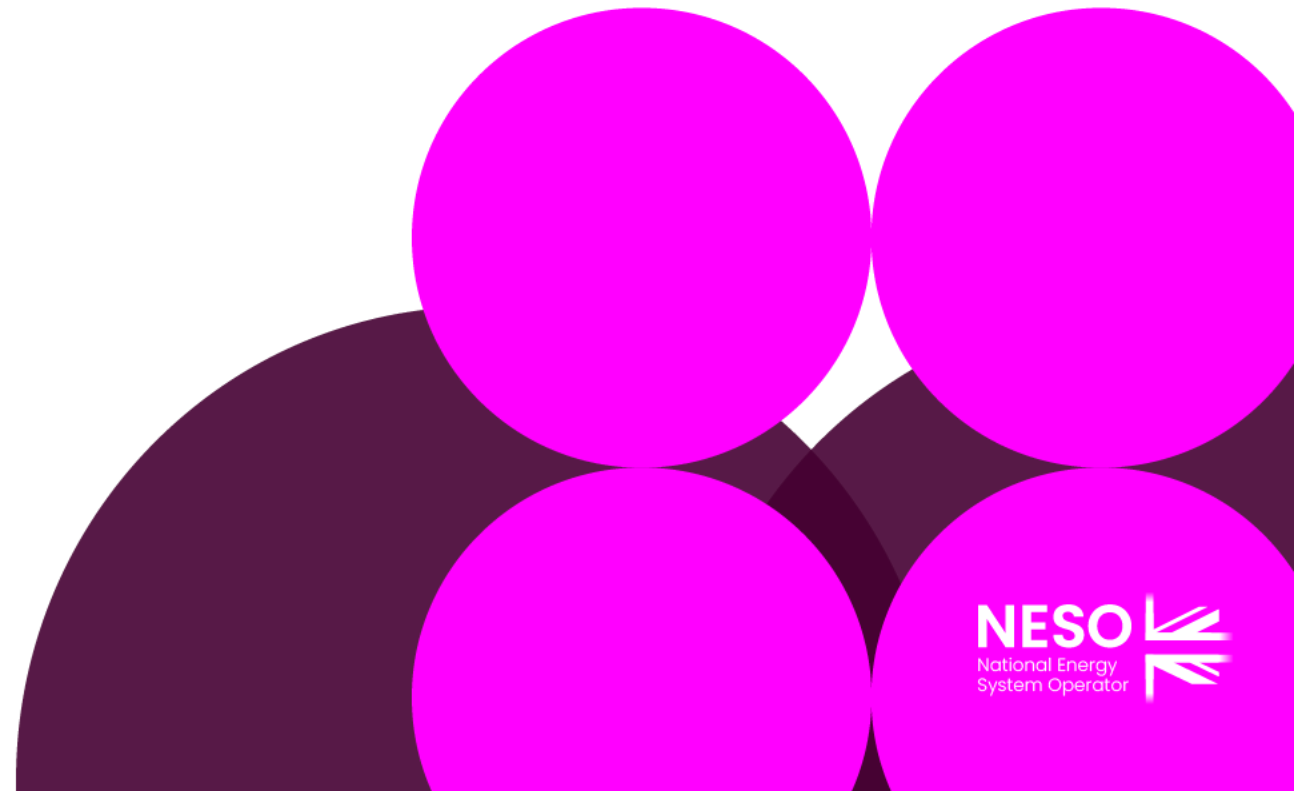
### CMP465– the asks of Panel

- **AGREE** that the Modification can be withdrawn



## Panel Modification Tracker

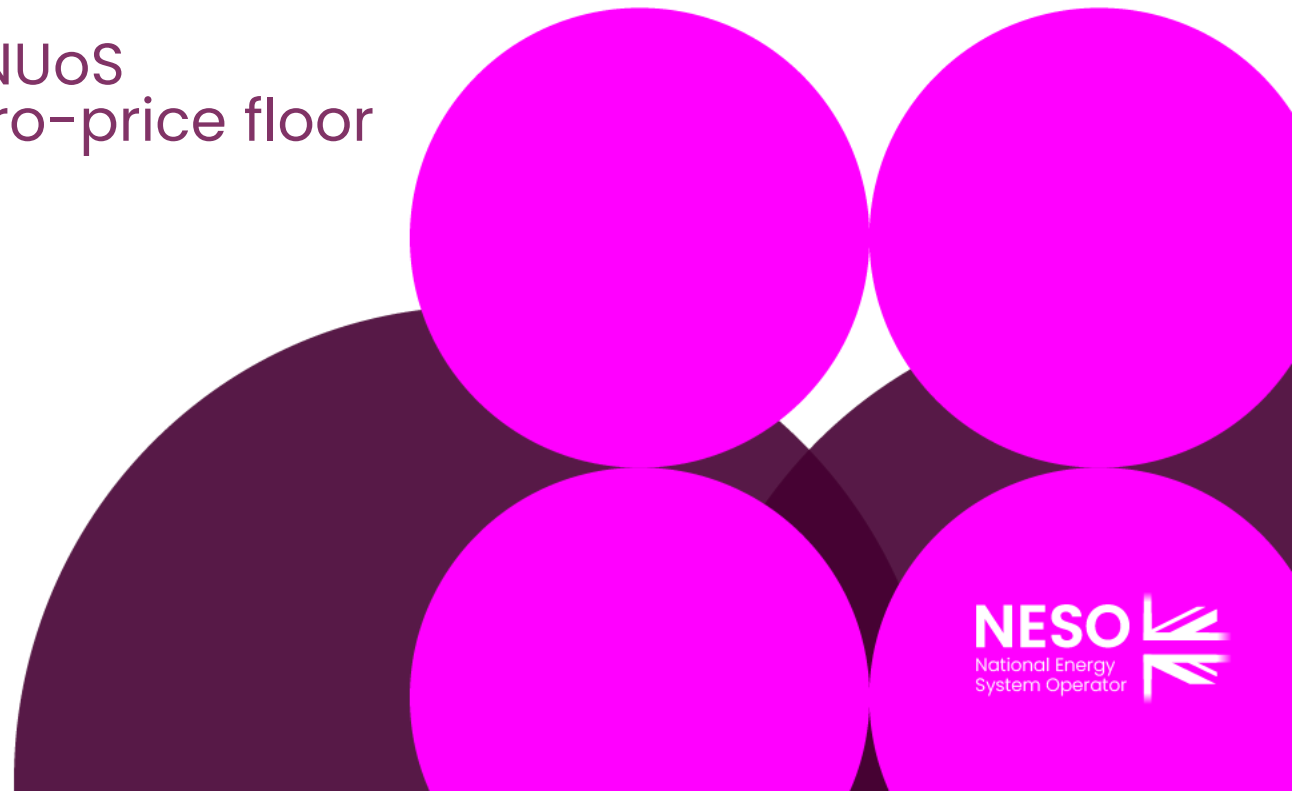
Catia Gomes, Code  
Administrator



## Workgroup Reports

CMP440 Re-introduction of Demand TNUoS locational signals by removal of the zero-price floor

Kat Higby, (Workgroup Chair)



# Solution(s) and Workgroup Vote

## **Solution/summary of solutions:**

- The original solution proposes removing the zero-price floor from Final Demand TNUoS locational Demand tariffs, levying negative Demand charges on actual energy consumption over 4–7pm all year for both Peak and Year-Round Tariffs. This aims to restore locational investment signals without incentivising unhelpful consumption at times of high national Demand. .
- The WACM1 solution differs from the original in the following ways:
  - In zones where the total Demand locational signal is negative, a p/kWh tariff is charged across total annual Demand rather than 4–7pm only.
  - In each negative charging zone, a single common rate is calculated for Non-Half Hourly (NHH) and Half Hourly (HH), rather than a different p/kWh rate for each.

## **Summary of Workgroup Vote:**

- The Workgroup concluded by majority (5 out of 6 votes) that the original and WACM1 better facilitated the Applicable Objectives than the Baseline. The preferred option by majority was WACM1.

# Terms of Reference

The Workgroup conclude that they have met their Terms of Reference, and the references can be located below:

Workgroup Term of Reference	Location in Workgroup Report
a) Consider EBR implications	Page 49
b) Consider whether the peak charge should apply to winter or all year	Original solution applies 4-7pm all year round (pages 09-13). WACM1 applies to all periods of the year (pages 14-23).
c) Consider whether the Year-Round charge should apply all day of just 4-7pm?	Original solution applies 4-7pm all year round (pages 09-13). WACM1 applies to all periods of the year (pages 14-23).
d) Consider whether positive and negative Demand charges should be charged differently i.e. Keep the existing methodology for positive Demand charges?	Pages 42 and 43
e) Consider what the methodology should be for conversion from £/kW to p/kWh? (Inclusive of any practical impact on the design choices).	Pages 29-41

# CMP440 Asks of Panel

- **AGREE** that the Workgroup have met their Terms of Reference
- **AGREE** that this Modification can proceed to Code Administrator Consultation
- **NOTE** that this Modification does not impact the Electricity Balancing Regulation (EBR) Article 18 terms and conditions held within the CUSC?
- **NOTE** the ongoing timeline



# CMP440 Next Steps

Milestone	Date
Code Administrator Consultation (15 Business Days)	09 February 2026 to 5pm on 03 March 2026
Draft Final Modification Report issued to Panel	19 March 2026
Draft Final Modification Report presented to Panel	27 March 2026
Final Modification Report issued to Panel to check votes recorded correctly (5 Business Days)	02 April 2026
Submission of Final Modification Report to Ofgem	09 April 2026
Ofgem decision date	30 September 2026
Implementation Date	01 April 2027

## Discussions on Prioritisation

- CARRY OUT deep-dive assessment

## Standing Groups

*Updates on all standing groups relevant to CUSC Panel e.g. potential for future governance changes or modifications*

### TCMF – NESO Panel Member

- Previous meeting – 08 January 2026 [Meeting materials and Headline Report](#)
- Next meeting – 05 February 2026

## European Updates

*Updates on all European developments relevant to CUSC panel e.g. potential for future governance changes or modifications*

- Joint European Stakeholder Group – Garth Graham
  - 13 January 2026 – Meeting cancelled
  - Next meeting – 10 February 2026

## Updates on other industry codes

05 December 2025 SQSS [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

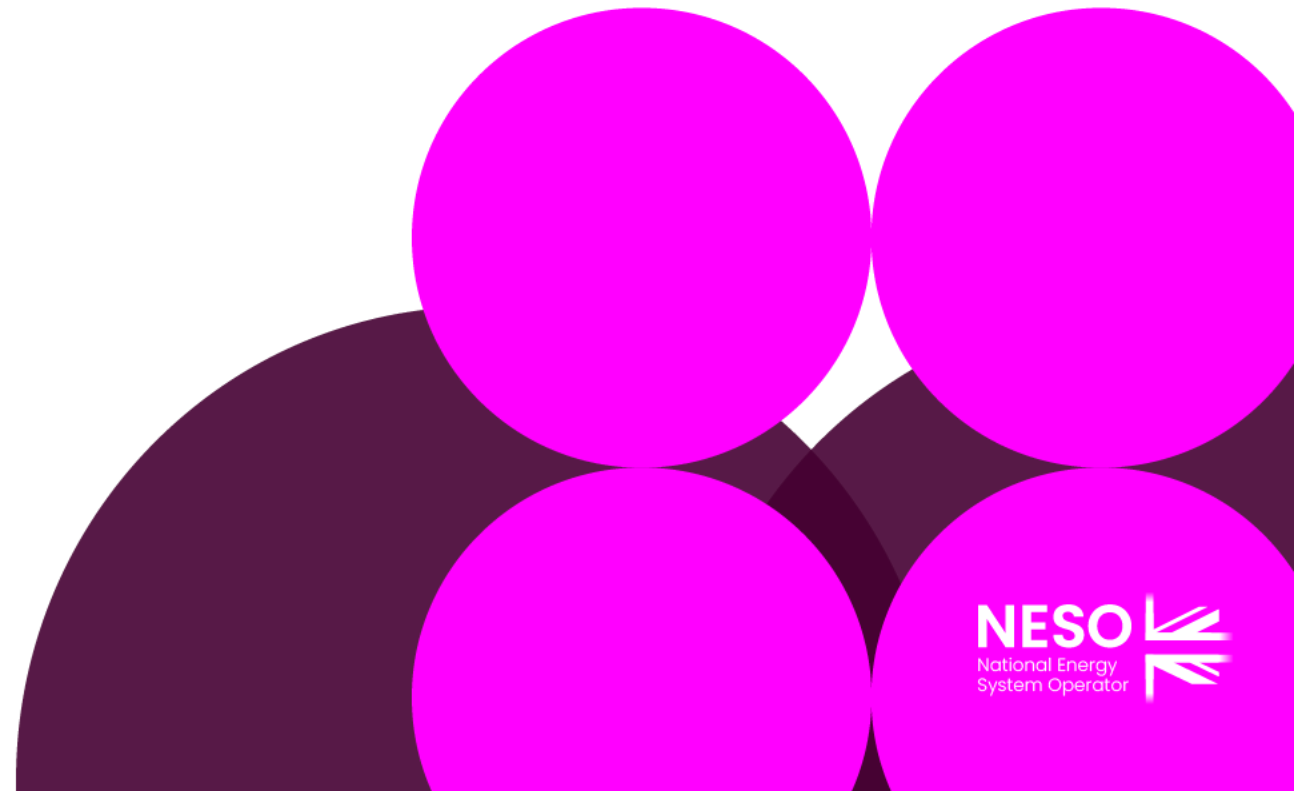
10 December 2025 STC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

11 December 2025 Grid Code Review [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)



# Relevant Interruptions Claim Report

(January, April, July, October)



## Any other business

- Demand Connection Guidance – Ofgem

# Activities ahead of the next Panel Meeting

<b>Transmission Charging Methodologies Forum</b>	05 February 2026
<b>Modification Proposal Deadline for February Panel</b>	12 February 2026
<b>Papers Day</b>	19 February 2026
<b>Panel Meeting</b>	27 February 2026 Teams

# Close

**Anthony Pygram**

Independent Chair, CUSC Panel