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Meeting Summary

Transmission Charging Methodologies Forum

Date: 05/03/2026 **Location:** MS Teams
Start: 10:00am **End:** 11:50am

#	Topics to be discussed	
1.	Introduction, meeting objectives and review of previous actions	Alastair Owen, NESO
2.	Storage Sub Group Update	Katie Potter, AFRY
3.	Commitment fee for oversubscribed technologies	Andrew Enzor, Field Energy/Nick Silito, Waters Wye
4.	CMP463: Update on implementation	Andrew Dudkowsky, NESO
5.	Proposal for removing redundant references to ETYS from the CUSC	Paul Mott, NESO
6.	STCP 24-1 Change Proposals	Nick Everitt, NESO
7.	Code Administrator update	Catia Gomes, Code Administrator NESO
8.	AOB and Meeting Close	Alastair Owen, NESO

Discussion and details

These notes are produced as an accompaniment to the slide pack presented which can be found here; <https://www.neso.energy/industry-information/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc/cusc-forum>

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1.	<p>Introduction, meeting objectives and review of previous actions - Alastair Owen, NESO</p> <p>Alastair Owen opened the meeting, providing an overview of the agenda items for discussion and led a review of the action log.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alastair Owen (AO) provided an update on previous actions. For the first 3 actions AO advised that these are dependent on the new connections queue being formed. As soon as the queue has been formed TCMF will be provided with an update. Open action 4 - Nick Everitt (NE) provided an update on this action in today's forum (Agenda item - STCP 24-1 Change Proposals). Open action 5 - Storage Subgroup action. Katie Potter from AFRY provided an update on this action (Agenda item - Storage Sub Group Update) Open action 6 - David Jones (DJ) from Ofgem provided a brief update, noting that further updates will follow.

2. Storage Sub Group Update - Katie Potter, AFRY

Katie Potter (KP) from AFRY Consulting attended TCMF and shared an overview of the analysis undertaken in support of the TNUoS charging storage subgroup. KP noted that the analysis aims to assess the impact of storage assets on transmission network costs specifically looking at storages ability to alleviate constrained circuits that drive reinforcement investment.

KP outlined observations regarding current storage behaviours, advising that the subgroups findings found no clear trend for existing storage assets during constraints. KP noted that the analysis showed assets behind constraints in the north relieved constraints when charging and contributed when discharging, while the opposite was true for assets in the south.

Graham Pannell (GP) & Garth Graham (GG) enquired about the detail behind the data that was presented in the slides and asked for greater clarity for the finalised published report.

GG asked if this work uses the CUSC definition of Electricity Storage Steve Dale (SD) noted that it focuses on Storage as defined in the CUSC.

Chiamaka Nwajagu (CN) asked when will the report be published. SD advised that the interim report is being drafted a present and a publication date hasn't been agreed yet.

Full details on the update can be found on the slides.

3. Commitment fee for oversubscribed technologies - Andrew Enzor, Field Energy/Nick Silito, Waters Wye

Chris Wickins (CW) and Nick Silito (NS) presented a proposal for a new commitment fee to address oversubscription in grid connection reform.

- CW explained the rationale and proposal overview by introducing the issue of oversubscription in battery connection queues and proposed a new commitment fee. CW proposed the fee would apply from five years before connection up to construction initiation, set at £5,000 per MW, and is intended to prioritise viable projects.
- CW stated that they are seeking to obtain urgency for this potential mod when presented at CUSC panel. GG & AO advised that the timeline for an urgent implementation approach may be challenging. Joe Henry (JH) confirmed that the code governance team is aware of the resource challenges and will coordinate accordingly.
- Dennis Gowland (DG) noted that the solution may be over-simplified, and agreed to share further details with the proposer offline.
- Chiamaka Nwajagu (CN) highlighted the need for broader business input due to the proposal's wide-reaching implications. CN also enquired about the treatment of retrospective implementation. CW believed that it would need to be retrospective to be effective..

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4. CMP463: Update on implementation – Andrew Dudkowsky, NESO

Andrew Dudkowsky (AD) provided with an update regarding the implementation of CMP463.

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- Sally Ann Young (SY) inquired whether the legal text presented differs from the version currently included in the CUSC. Joe Henry (JH) clarified that the difference exists because this text will not take effect until April 1st, when the code administrator publishes the latest version of the CUSC.
- Lauren Jauss (LJ) confirmed using specific expansion factors with weighted average cost of capital for RIIO-T2 and asked about the related 2025-26 tariffs. AD clarified that circuits without a SEF tariff in 2025-26 will use the RIIO-T3 final determination.

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5. Proposal for removing redundant references to ETYS from the CUSC - Paul Mott, NESO

Paul Mott (PM) presented a proposal to remove references to the Electricity Ten Year Statement (ETYS) from the CUSC, replacing them with more general terminology.

Questions & Feedback

- GG proposed that the CUSC should specifically reference CSNP (or the relevant licence condition) to promote transparency; GG was concerned that meaning could be lost.
- Nicola Fitchett (NF) (NF) inquired about where to find more information regarding potential changes, including alterations to format or other aspects, under the proposal to move it to the CSNP. We note that the information can be found in the summer 2025 consultation on the CSNP methodology¹ and in the resulting CSNP draft methodology document.²

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6. STCP 24-1 Change Proposals – Nick Everitt, NESO

Nick Everitt (NE), Sarah Chleboun (SC), and Katie Clark (KC) presented slides outlining the proposed changes to STCP 24-1.

- NE proposed adjustments to the STC, such as earlier deadlines for offshore TO revenue submissions, more frequent and detailed data reports, and options for extended forecasts. NE advised that issues and potential solutions have been identified both internally and through external feedback, including from TCMF participants.
- SC presented proposed amendments for offshore transmission owners (OFTOs), notably advancing the deadline for annual revenue submissions. This adjustment aims to facilitate tariff setting processes and enhance data integrity.
- KC shared plans for changes to both offshore and onshore transmission owners, focusing on improved substitute data use, mandatory sensitivity analysis, direct engagement, and more detailed forecasts.

Questions & Feedback

- GG enquired about the publishing forecast templates and narratives, recommending transparency for similar procedures. Nick Everitt and Sarah Chleboun confirmed plans to release more information and invited feedback before drafting any formal changes.

¹ [Strategic energy planning \(SEP\) publications, consultations and updates | National Energy System Operator](#)
² neso.energy/document/363521/download

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7. CUSC Administrator Update – Catia Gomes, Code Administrator NESO

Catia Gomes (CG) gave the code administrator update.

- CG provided updates on new modifications, decisions, implementations, and consultations, as well as information on the upcoming panel meetings and submission deadlines.

Full details on the update can be found on the slides.

8. AOB and Meeting Close - Alastair Owen, NESO

- GG flagged a new modification that he is looking to raise, with the proposal intending to extend the claims window for cost recovery linked to grid code updates.
- David Jones (DJ) of Ofgem delivered an update regarding the RMP delivery plan and the forthcoming publication of a letter inviting industry stakeholders to participate in expert groups. DJ confirmed that the invitation letter is currently undergoing final approval and will be issued in the near future.

The meeting was closed.
