

STC Panel

Wednesday 26 August 2026

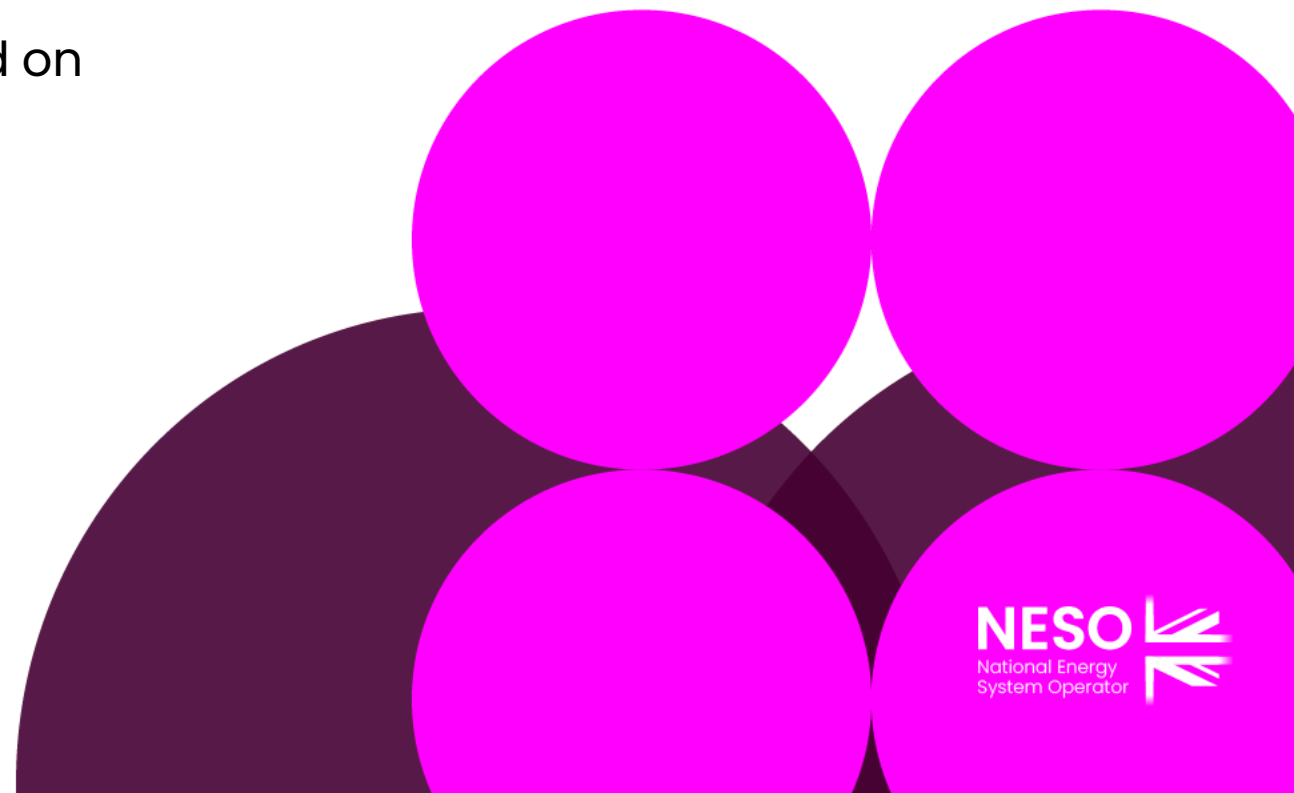
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Approval of Panel Minutes

Approval of Panel Minutes from the meeting held on 29 July 2026.



Actions Log

- Actions to review

Actions

Action number	Panel raised	Action	Owner	Comments	Due by	Status
09	June 26	Speak with the Connections team to provide an update (written or verbal) on the resolution of the final sums issue and why a modification is no longer needed, ideally at the next STC Panel meeting.	CN	Weekly discussions ongoing. Current preference is a non-code solution via a direct agreement, although a modification may still be required if that approach does not prove viable.	Ongoing	Open
12	June 26	Proposal Forms Update: Share the updated proposal forms for STC and STCP modifications reflecting the new prioritisation requirements and links to SDS guidance with STC Panel members.	Code Governance	Updated proposal forms have been circulated and are available online.	July	Propose to Close
13	June 26	CMP471/STCP Modification Timeline Coordination: Engage with the CMP471 workgroup to ensure the proposed timeline for the consequential STCP modification PM0159 aligns and schedule a Special STC Panel meeting if needed.	Code Governance	Decision awaited on the updated CMP471 timeline from the Authority before alignment can be assessed and communicated.	Ongoing	Open

Chair's Update

- Horizon Scan
- Authority Decisions

STC Panel Horizon Scanning

Expected Panel	Mod reference	Title	Proposer	Company	Type	Governance Route	Associated Mods	Description	Status
TBC	TBC	Dynamic Line Rating	Stuart McLarnon	NESO	STCP	N/A	None	STCP 4-4 will be looked at to make sure that upcoming Dynamic Line Rating changes are compatible with STCPs.	To be raised
TBC	TBC	Further connections reform mods	TBC	NESO	TBC	TBC	TBC	We are confirming the forward programme of work and will keep STC Panel updated on future mods.	To be raised
TBC	TBC	ESRS	Tony Johnson	NESO	STC	TBC	GC0156	Consequential STC Mod to GC0156, raised in Feb 26. Discussed in March Panel	To be raised
TBC	TBC	Update to the SBN Template	Folasade Adenola	NESO	STCP	TBC	Not yet known	STCP 18 -1 Update to the SBN Template to facilitate efficient communication with TOs (ongoing work taking place with TOs)	To be raised
TBC	PM0157	Meter Polarity	Tom Goss	NESO	STCP	N/A	GC0182	April Panel: Panel agreed PM0157 has a material impact. July Panel: PM0157 is paused temporarily whilst the final version legal text and Electrical Standard for GC0182 has been agreed.	Paused

Authority Decisions and Updates as of 17 August 2026

Decisions Pending:

Modification	Final Modification Report submitted	Expected Decision Date
<u>CM078</u> : Connections Triggering Distribution Impact Assessment	07 June 2022	TBC subject to CMP328 send back
<u>CM093</u> : Extending the principles of the User Commitment Methodology to Final Sums Methodology as a consequence of CUSC Modification – CMP417	16 July 2026	TBC
<u>CM097</u> : Electromagnetic Transient (EMT) and Root Mean Square (RMS) Model Submission for Transmission Owners (TOs)	16 July 2026	TBC
<u>PM0147</u> : PM0147 RMS and EMT Model Sharing Process (STCP 12-2 Issue 01) National Energy System Operator	16 July 2026	TBC

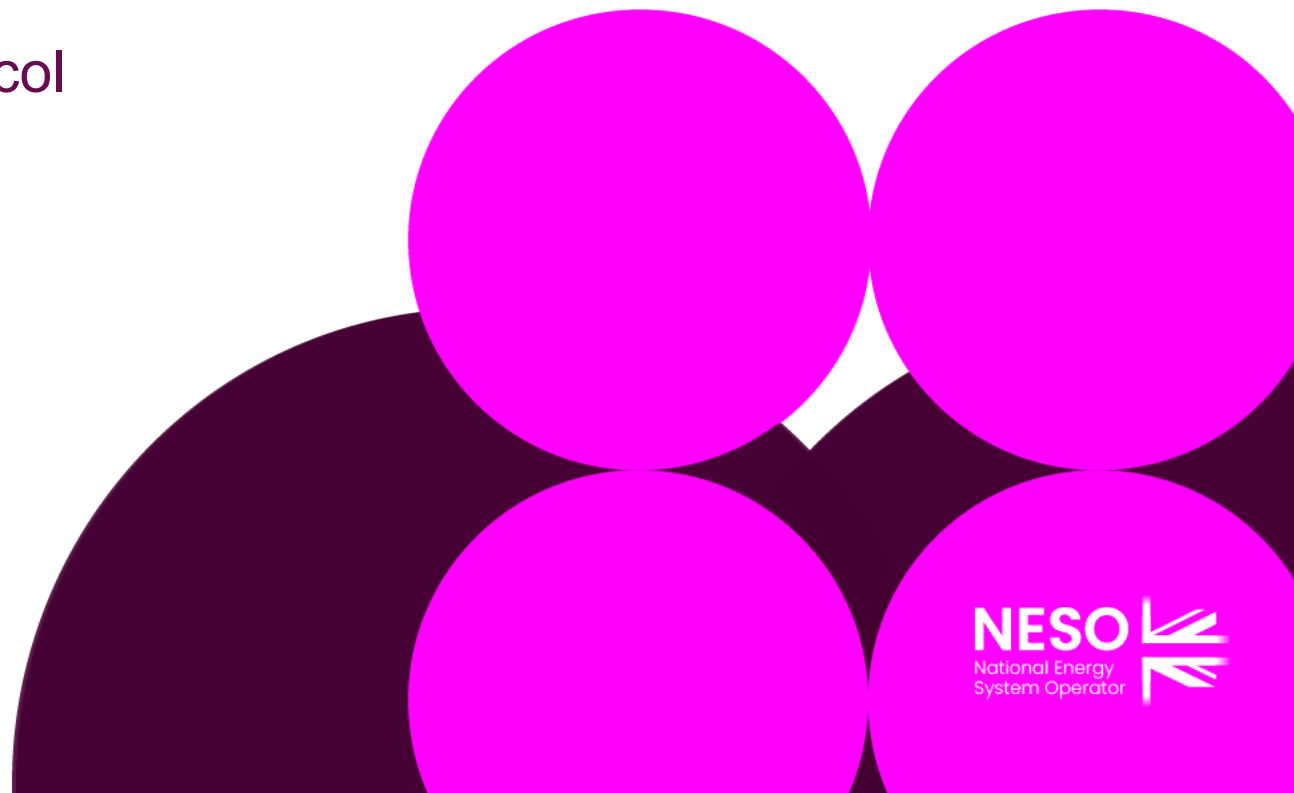
The Authority's publication on decisions can be found on their website below:

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New STC Procedure

PM0158: Changes to TNUoS Timings Protocol

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PM0158 Summary

PM0158 looks to update the process for provision of revenue forecasts from Transmission Owners and Operators to NESO for the use in TNUoS Tariff forecast calculations.

- It seeks to address tight timescales, limited forecast detail as well as increased complexity and volume of data, which currently creates pressure and raises the risk of errors in final tariffs.
- The main proposal is to bring most final OFTO revenue submissions forward from 25 January to 15 January, while retaining 25 January where December price-index data is required.
- It could allow NESO to use substitute data where this would provide more accurate information in early modeling.
- NESO could request additional forecasts, including forecasts beyond FY+6 and high/low sensitivity forecasts, with 60 days' notice.
- The change also proposes regular commentary from onshore Transmission Owners to improve transparency for industry.
- The modification is assessed as medium impact and material, requiring an Authority decision and changes to parties' systems. It is intended to improve forecasting, reduce process risk and support Suppliers' and Generators' planning.

Summary of Change Proposals

Offshore TOs

1. Timing of Submission

Offshore and Onshore TOs

1. Frequency of Submissions
2. Forecast Date Range
3. Use of Substitute Data

Onshore TOs

1. Sensitivities
2. Increased Engagement with Industry

Timing of OFTO Submission

Background

- STCP24-1 submission deadline for Final Y+1 revenues is the 25 January (or next Business Day).

Issue

- The late deadline for submission (latest being 27 January) increases time pressure for Final Tariffs and increases the risk of error due to last minute changes to the inputs.

Proposal

- Update STCP24-1 and STCP 14-1 to amend the submission deadline dependent on the price index required

for the 2023 Transmission Network Use of System (TNUS) tariff setting process.

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Date By	5 th Business Day in August	5 th Business Day in October	12 th November	30 th November	7 th January	14 th January	25 th January	31 st January
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Frequency of Submissions

Background

- We receive revenue submissions twice a year, in line with STCP24-1.

Issue

- Industry have requested more frequent updates of the 5YV of revenue.

Proposal

- Amend STCP24-1 to include provision that additional forecast can be requested with 60 days notice.

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Forecast Date Range

Background

- STCP24-1 requires submission of revenue forecasts for the Financial Year Y+1 and following Five Financial Years from Y+2 onwards.

Issue

- Industry request longer-term projections of TNUoS Tariffs for Financial Modelling, however forecasts beyond FY + 6 are beyond the scope of STCP24-1.

Proposal

- Amend STCP24-1 to include provision that longer-term projections can be requested with 60-day notice period.
- Different submission templates for 5 year and longer-term projection for varying levels of granularity.

3.2 Forecast Revenue Information Provision

- 3.2.1 As part of the GB Transmission quarterly forecast of total revenues, it is necessary for all the TOs in GB to provide The Company with certain detailed information in order to enable the publication of the forecast revenue for all TOs.
- 3.2.2 The data required for the forecast are the values of the specific Licence Terms for each TO and are to be provided utilising the template, Appendix B.
- 3.2.3 Each TO will separately forecast their revenue for Financial Year Y+1, and each of the following five Financial Years from Financial Year Y+2 onwards (i.e. Y+2, Y+3, Y+4, Y+5 and Y+6) on a nominal price basis (money of the day).
- 3.2.4 The Company will, as part of its published quarterly forecast report, provide a view of inflation.
- 3.2.5 All financial values will be supplied to the nearest £100k.
- 3.2.6 A narrative for the forecast figures will be provided by each TO.
- 3.2.7 Each TO will provide contact details with respect to answering any query with regards to their data.
- 3.2.8 The Company shall provide all necessary assistance in response to any reasonable query from the TOs regarding the publication of the data.
- 3.2.9 Each TO shall provide all necessary assistance in response to any reasonable query from The Company regarding the data submitted by that TO.

3.3 Forecast Revenue & TNUoS Tariff Publication

- 3.3.1 The Company will use reasonable endeavours to collate and publish the forecast TNUoS revenues and tariffs on The Company website according to the timetable that is published by The Company by 31st January each year. The forecasts include initial, updated, draft and final TNUoS revenues and tariffs for the Y+1 and a five year view for Y+2 onwards i.e. Y+2, Y+3, Y+4, Y+5 and Y+6.
- 3.3.2 The forecast revenue information specific to each TO will be separately detailed within the report and will include the narrative on changes provided by the TO.
- 3.3.3 The Company will produce a forecast revenue summary split by Transmission Owner for existing TOs.
- 3.3.4 The Company shall, where possible, provide a forecast of future revenues for potential future TOs within the report.

Substitute Data

Background

- STCP24-1 only allows the use of substitute data in the case where no data has been received from the TOs for TNUoS Tariffs.

Issue

- In instances where alternative data would provide an improved “Best View” for use in TNUoS Tariff forecasts, NESO is currently unable to use an alternative source without TO agreement or through an STCP derogation.
- Example; RIIO-ET3 Draft Determinations vs January 2025 Revenue Submissions.

Proposal

- Amend STCP24-1 to allow NESO to use alternative data source if deemed necessary to provide best view for industry.

STCP24-1

4 Use of Substitute Data

- 4.1.1 Where a TO forecast has not been updated under this or other STC procedures then The Company may use the most recent forecast provided adjusted for movements in actual and forecast inflation. Therefore The Company initial and updated publications (in accordance with 3.3.1) will be based on the TO's January forecast pursuant to this procedure. The Draft TNUoS tariffs published by The Company will be based on the TOs' October forecast pursuant to this procedure. The final publication of TNUoS tariffs by The Company will be based on a combination of the final TO forecast pursuant to this procedure and more up to date information available pursuant to other STC Procedures.
- 4.1.2 Where no data is provided by a TO, The Company shall use, for the purposes of GB forecast revenue, substitute data. The Company shall indicate, within the published report, that no data has been received and that substitute data has been used and how that data has been derived.

STCP 14-1

4 Use of Substitute Data

- 4.1.1 Where no data is provided by the TO or the data is subject to dispute, The Company shall use, for the purposes of calculating the transmission charges to apply to its customers, the data that it believes to be the most accurate until The Company is satisfied with the data provided or any dispute has been resolved.
- 4.1.2 For the avoidance of doubt, the use of substitute data as referred to in paragraph 4.1.1 will not affect the invoicing of The Company by the TO for the purposes defined in STCP 13-1.
- 4.1.3 Where The Company has used substitute data, The Company shall notify the relevant TO(s).
- 4.1.4 If applicable, once any dispute has been resolved, charges shall be revised on the basis of the appropriate data.

Sensitivities

Background

- STCP24-1 requires submission of a single revenue forecast for the years ahead.
- We get frequent questions from industry regarding the potential changes in revenue between tariff publications.

Issue

- Historically there have been some large changes between forecasts in the lead up to final tariffs.
- By providing a low/central/high case to industry, this gives an early warning of the magnitude of potential change if there are uncertainties that may impact future tariffs.

Proposal

- Amend STCP24-1 to request the provision of a low and high sensitivity forecast for allowed revenues, to provide industry with a view of any potential future changes.

Engagement with Industry

Background

- Frequent feedback from industry indicates a need for additional information on drivers and assumptions in allowed revenue forecasts and other changes.

Issue

- Increasingly receiving requests for deeper information relating to onshore revenues and TO attendance at NESO Tariff webinars, similar to Distribution Network Provision of Cost Information meetings.

Proposal

- Recommend similar set up to DCUSA, requesting oral commentary to be provided to understand data presented, and any changes since the last tables were prepared.

35A. PROVISION OF COST INFORMATION

- 35.A.1 This Clause 35A shall only apply where the Company is a DNO Party.
- 35.A.2 By the fifth Working Day of May, August, November and February in each year, the Company shall complete a copy of table 1 in Schedule 15 and send the completed table to the Secretariat.
- 35.A.3 By the fifth Working Day of May, August, November and February in each year, the Company shall complete a copy of table 2 in Schedule 15 and send the completed table to the Secretariat.
- 35.A.4 By the fifth Working Day of May, August, November and February in each year, the Company shall complete a copy of table 3 in Schedule 15 and send the completed table to the Secretariat.
- 35.A.5 On each occasion that the Company sends a completed table to the Secretariat pursuant to Clause 35A.2, the Company shall also send an accompanying written commentary to assist in the understanding of the data presented within the table (including an explanation of the reasons behind any changes made to estimates since the last such table was prepared).
- 35.A.6 The Secretariat shall, within three Working Days of receiving each table and commentary provided pursuant to this Clause 35A, publish such table and commentary on the Website.
- 35.A.7 The Company shall ensure that, within 20 Working Days of sending a table 2 to the Secretariat in accordance with Clause 35A.3, a meeting is convened (which may be held by telephone conference) to which all Supplier Parties and IDNO Parties are invited. At such meeting, the Company shall provide an oral commentary to assist those attending to understand the data presented within the most recently submitted tables 1, 2 and 3 (including an explanation of the reasons behind any changes made to estimates since the last such tables were prepared). The Company shall ensure that the Supplier Parties and the IDNO Parties attending the meeting are given the opportunity to ask questions regarding the tables, and the Company shall use reasonable endeavours to provide a response to those questions.

<https://document.dcusa.co.uk/dcusa-document/142/584205?view=search&search=provision+of+cost+information>

STCP Governance Overview

If a change is developed which has the potential to materially amend an existing STCP the proposer is obligated to seek Panel's views on materiality before proceeding.

When considering the proposed changes to the STCPs, the first ask on voting members is whether you agree that the change is material.

- If not, then approved/rejected as has been done in the past;
- If material, then the proposer of the change would need to seek Ofgem's written approval to proceed, and to clarify who should approve the change.

Ofgem can then decide either:

- It is acceptable for the Panel to approve/reject the STCP changes (as has been done in the past; or
- They will make the decision themselves.

PM0158 Asks of Panel

- On 24 June 2026 Panel agreed that this modification had material impact.
- Ofgem have confirmed that they wish to give final decision.
- **Provide** recommendation vote
- **AGREE** the implementation next steps
- **NOTE** that the Implementation Date will be 10 working days post Authority decision.

Inflight Modification Updates

Withdrawal:

CM079: Consideration of STC/STCP changes in relation to CMP330/374

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The Proposer withdrew their support for CM079 on 23 July 2026. A withdrawal window was opened for 5 Business Days from this date.

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

CM079 – the asks of Panel

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

Updates on other industry codes

28 July 2026 SQSS [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

30 July 2026 Grid Code Review [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

31 July 2026 CUSC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

Any Other Business

Activities ahead of the next STC Panel Meeting

Modification Proposal Deadline for August STC Panel	15 September 2026
Papers Day	22 September 2026
STC Panel Meeting	30 September 2026

Close

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