

Transmission Charging Review Group (TCRG)

## Headline Report – 27 November 2018

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The TCRG Panel Headline Report will be produced after every TCRG and aims to provide an overview of the key decisions made. Minutes for this meeting will be available on request.

#### Action Review

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1. Consider the process of the treatment of customers who request annualised payments where one-off works are shared

This action is covered by a paper created by NGENSO, which is out for review with TCRG attendees. This action is on-going.

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2. GN and DM to think about changes to the charging methodology and what could be done differently

Next steps for this action is for a separate meeting to be organised and an update will be provided at the next TCRG meeting.

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3. GN to think about any specific areas the ESO would expect/encourage TOs to reflect within their statements  
Charging statements were covered during this meeting.
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6. GN to request earlier insight from Ofgem of regional element regarding differences between charging statements and the charging methodology

The correct contact at Ofgem has been found and will be contacted before the next meeting.

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10. GN to circulate a paper before the next TCRG meeting (on treatment of customer payments and one-off works) and arrange a separate discussion with TCRG attendees to discuss the paper

As mentioned above, NGENSO has circulated the paper, which is out for review. A meeting will then be set up once all feedback has been received.

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13. RW and GN to have a chat on what a session on Project Closure could look like

Action has been completed.

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14. GN to collate data on Project Closure to give an idea of the order of magnitude

This action is on-going and is due to be completed by the end of January.

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15. All attendees to take this away and consider for a more detailed discussion at a future TCRG. (Assets moving from connection to infrastructure)

This action is linked to NGENSO's paper. It will be brought to a future TCRG with some examples.

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16. JW to ask Code Admin on workgroup membership. (CUSC materially affected status)

Attendees were informed that TOs are believed to be able to gain materially affected status but can request to be an observer on a workgroup. It was then discussed that NGET should get in contact with Ofgem to clarify

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this, however the usually process for materially affected status would be to send a letter requesting this to The Authority.

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17. VP to share a link that provides more information on this. (72hr DC systems resilience)

Action has been completed.

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18. AOB: Review topic consideration at TCRG and whether breakout groups are needed magnitude

This action is on-going and will be reviewed at a future TCRG.

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## Current Charging and STC issues

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### Charging Statements

The purpose of this item was to make sure all TP charging statements remain in alignment going into the January publishing deadline. It would also include discussion of any changes that are being made by TOs and then gain some feedback from Ofgem who attended the meeting.

Ofgem gave their perspective on this topic. Statements are approved year on year unless there have been any changes. These changes must be justifiable for them to be approved by Ofgem. NGET then took attendees through a couple of points where clarity within the statements would be beneficial for NGESO and the customer.

- User requested backfeed – where the cause of the cost is a request by a user.
- User requested delay - This is where a customer asks for infrastructure and connection assets where reinforcement works are needed.

These were discussed by attendees and it was agreed that NGET would draft some wording on what these options would look like within the charging statements. A link between CUSC modifications CMP288/289 was noted by attendees and that as soon as these were concluded, this should be reflected in the charging statements. Therefore, there may be some reference to it in the coming year's statements.

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### 72 hr DC systems resilience and the policy surrounding funding either via the User or through infrastructure recovery

The link sent round to attendees was for information. The original query was around how we can incorporate the policy for charging customers for 72-hr resilience. Also, it was clarified that this was not a mandatory requirement. An action was noted for this to be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

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### Update on App Fee Review

NGESO gave an updated on the wider App Fee Review that has been taking place. Attendees were made aware of work that has happened to date. Currently, the strategic piece of work is hold and will most likely be picked up in mid-2019. For the next financial year the proposal is to use the same methodology but use different values. There is a placeholder for a bigger piece of work. An attendee noted that the annual charge setting process starts in September so if the strategic work is to be applicable for the following year, the middle of 2019 may be too late. NGESO noted this point and agreed to pass it on to the team who will be taking the work forward.

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### Charging Development Update

An overview was given to attendees of all the current CUSC modification that could possible impact the STC. An RFI has been issued for CMP286. CMP288/289 both due to go out to consultation in December. CMP298 and CMP306 are at the early stages of the CUSC process. CMP298 is on-going through the workgroup process. Lastly, CMP306 has its first workgroup scheduled in for 7<sup>th</sup> December.

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### Charging Futures Update

NGESO provided an update and overview of Charging Futures and the work that is going on as part of this. Attendees were made aware that Ofgem's publication on TCR minded to position is expected soon. Ofgem are also expecting SCR documentation on Access & Forward-Looking charges soon, they are aiming for before Christmas. The Future of Energy Codes publication was discussed as to whether there was overlap with the previously mentioned documents. It was also noted that the next Charging Futures Forum will be held around the 15<sup>th</sup> January which will cover the TCR and Access publications.

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### Potential consequential changes or items to be referred to the relevant code body

Nothing was raised by attendees. However, in the future, Charging Statement wording proposed by NGET may need to be shared with the CMP288/289 Workgroup. Also, anything that may come out of any Ofgem publications

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### Prioritisation exercise

There were no conflicts seen at this time.

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### Agenda topics for next meeting

- Project Closure
- Methodology changes

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### Date of the next meeting

The next TCRG meeting will be held in January 2019 and in London so this can be a face-to-face meeting.

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### AOB

No AOB was raised by attendees.

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### Questions or feedback?

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