

CUSC Special Panel Headline Report 20 May 2020

Connection and Use of System Code (CUSC) Panel

The CUSC Panel Headline Report is produced after every CUSC Panel and aims to provide an overview of the key decisions made. Minutes for this meeting will be published separately.

New Modifications

CMP345 - Defer the additional Covid-19 BSUoS costs

CMP345 seeks to defer the additional BSUoS costs arising from Covid-19 that are incurred in 2020/21 to 2021/22. The Proposer noted that the ESO's most recently issued BSUoS forecast, of 15 May 2020, has identified an additional £500M increase in the cost of managing the electricity transmission system arising from the Covid-19 event. As it stands these will be recovered via BSUoS charges over the next four months (June-September BSUoS bills for May-August).

Panel unanimously recommended that CMP345 should proceed on an urgent timeline and agreed a timeline which balanced the need for pace whilst ensuring industry scrutiny. Proceeding on an urgent basis is subject to Ofgem approval, which has been requested for 22 May 2020.

CMP345 documentation can be located via the following link:

https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc-old/modifications/defer-additional

Workgroup Reports

CMP337 – Impact of DNO Contributions on Actual Project Costs and Expansion Factors and CMP338 - Impact of DNO Contributions on Actual Project Costs and Expansion Factors – New Definition of Cost Adjustment

CMP337 seeks to allow Distribution Network Operators to contribute to the cost of new transmission assets, and allow this contribution to be netted off from the Transmission Owner's actual project costs in a way which maintains the exact pro-rating of costs between local and wider TNUoS charge elements as is currently in place. CMP338 introduces a new definition of "Cost Adjustment" to give effect to CMP337.

Panel unanimously agreed that CMP337/338 has met its Terms of Reference and can proceed to Code Administrator Consultation. Code Administrator Consultation was issued on 20 May 2020 and will close 2pm on 26 May 2020

CMP337 documentation can be located via the following link:

https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc-old/modifications/cmp337-impact-dno

CMP338 documentation can be located via the following link:

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In flight Modifications

CMP333 ' BSUoS - charging Supplier Users on gross demand (TCR)'

The Authority has published a Direction requiring ESO to raise CUSC Modification Proposals to give effect to the TCR Decision. This Modification Proposal will give effect to their decision to levy BSUoS to Suppliers on a gross volumetric basis.

The Code Administrator Consultation for CMP333 closed 15 May 2020. In light of Ofgem's decision on CMP281 on 14 May 2020, Panel unanimously agreed that CMP333 will proceed to a 2nd Code Administrator Consultation once the revised legal text has been agreed by the CMP333 Workgroup.

CMP333 documentation can be found via the following link:

https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc-old/modifications/cmp333-bsuos

Questions or feedback?

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