

Responsibility during connection (onshore not contested vs offshore)

Step	Description	Responsibility Onshore (Not Contested)	Responsibility Offshore (Generator built)
1. Optioneering	Find and review possible options for connection	Connectee	
2. Application	Formal request from connectee to progress preferred option(s)	Connectee	
3. Offer & Acceptance	Offer provided to satisfy the application as much as possible	ESO & TO (Provide) Connectee (Review)	
4. Detailed Design	Further development of the design	TO	Connectee (Offshore) TO (Onshore)
5. Planning	Obtain planning permission for the final route	TO	Connectee (Offshore) TO (Onshore)
6. Procurement	Arranging contractors and ordering equipment	TO	Connectee (Offshore) TO (Onshore)
7. Construction	Building the connection as per the detailed design and planning requirements	TO	Connectee (Offshore) TO (Onshore)
8. Commissioning	Testing the built connection to ensure it is fit for purpose	ESO, TO & Connectee	
9. Transfer	Transfer of the Offshore transmission network to an OFTO	N/A	Connectee & Ofgem
10. Operation	Ongoing operation and maintenance.	ESO and TO	ESO & OFTO (Offshore) ESO & TO (Onshore)

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1 - 3	No change from previous slide	No change from previous slide	
4. Detailed Design	Further development of the design	TO	
5. Planning	Obtain planning permission for the final route	TO	
5a. TO Approval	TO Approval of plant, materials, contractors, drawings etc	N/A	Connectee (Providing) TO (Approving)
6. Procurement	Arranging contractors and ordering equipment	TO	TO (non-contested works) Connectee (contested works)
7. Construction	Building the connection as per the detailed design and planning requirements	TO	TO (non-contested works) Connectee (contested works)
8. Commissioning	Testing the built connection to ensure it is fit for purpose	ESO, TO & Connectee	
8a. Quality Assurance & Rectification	Activities (including witness testing) to ensure assets are built to the required standard and to correct if needed.	N/A	Connectee (build contested works and defect resolution) TO (build non-contested and test contested works)
9. Transfer	Transfer of the contested works to TO via adoption agreement.	N/A	Connectee & TO
10. Operation	Ongoing operation and maintenance.	ESO and TO	