

Headline Report – 28 May 2021

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.

Approval of Panel Minutes

The meeting minutes from the CUSC Panels on 22 and 26 March 2021, 16, 21 and 30 April 2021, and 10 and 14 May 2021 were approved at the CUSC Panel meeting on 26 March 2021. These will be uploaded to our website.

Prioritisation Stack

For each Modification in the prioritisation stack, Panel have determined if the Priority is “High”, “Medium to High”, “Medium”, “Low” to “Medium or Low”. Panel continue to review the prioritisation stack on a monthly basis and every quarter hold a more in-depth review (ahead of this review, Proposers will be asked to provide updated justification against the prioritisation criteria). This in-depth review will next be carried out at our July 2021 Panel.

At May 2021 Panel, the CUSC Panel discussed the prioritisation of the following Modifications:

Modification	Comments	Position in Prioritisation Stack
CMP330/CMP374	May 2021 Panel agreed that this should be amalgamated with CMP330 and its position to remain unchanged with the prioritisation stack.	Medium to High
CMP344	Panel noted that Ofgem have requested the Final Modification Report to be updated and returned to them as soon as possible. Some Panel members argued that this should be High in the prioritisation stack as this is where CMP344 was placed previously; however other Panel members noted that CMP344 had a time constraint before. Overall, Panel agreed for this to be Medium to High priority and believed that 2 Workgroups would be needed, which are anticipated to start from ~ July 2021.	Medium to High

The full discussions on each Modification can be found [here](#).

New Modifications

1 new Modification Proposal was presented for consideration.

CMP374 ‘Extending contestability for Transmission Connections’

CMP374 seeks to allow new connectees to construct transmission assets to facilitate their connection to the wider transmission network.

CUSC Panel unanimously agreed that CMP374 should follow standard governance route and proceed to Workgroup. They also agreed to amalgamate CMP374 with [CMP330](#).

CMP374 documentation can be located via the following link:

<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc-old/modifications/cmp374-extending>

New / Pending Authority Decisions

Ofgem provided an update on Modifications that are currently awaiting their decision or have been decided upon since CUSC Panel on 30 April 2021:

Decisions since last normal monthly Panel

Modification	Decision Date
CMP344	Letter from Ofgem received 5 May 2021, sending this back for further work.
CMP373	Decision received 24 May 2021 approving the Original. To be implemented 1 October 2021.

Awaiting Decisions

Ofgem did provide an update at Panel on the Modifications awaiting decision. However, on 25 May 2021, Ofgem had already published a table that provides the expected decision date, or date they intend to publish an impact assessment or consultation, for code modifications/proposals that are with them for decision [here](#) and the CUSC position is summarised below:

Modification	Decision Date
CMP335/336 and CMP343/340	Consultation on CMP343 to be published 10 May 2021. Expected decision dates for all these Modifications is 27 August 2021.
CMP300	4 June 2021
CMP280	8 June 2021
CMP292	30 June 2021

In flight Modifications

Please refer to latest Modification Tracker for an update on each in flight Modification. This is published monthly at <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes> and will be published on 7th of the following month or the next working day thereafter.

Draft Final Modification Reports

CMP326 'Introducing a 'Turbine Availability Factor' for use in Frequency Response Capacity Calculation for Power Park Modules (PPMs)'

CMP326 seeks to introduce a cap on the MW element in the Holding Payment calculation to reflect reduced capability to ramp from de-loaded positions – this will be dependent on proportion of turbines available.

The CUSC Panel on 28 May 2021 unanimously recommended this should be implemented. Final Modification Report will be issued to Panel on 10 June 2021.

CMP326 documentation can be found via the following link:

<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc-old/modifications/cmp326-introducing>

CMP365 'Improvements to CUSC Governance Arrangements'

CMP365 seeks to incorporate a smoother and more efficient process for code modifications that will allow for the best use of industry time.

The CUSC Panel on 28 May 2021 unanimously recommended this should be implemented. Final Modification Report will be issued to Panel on 10 June 2021.

CMP365 documentation can be located via the following link:

<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc-old/modifications/cmp365>

Workgroup Reports

None presented this month

Questions or feedback?

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