CMP242: Charging arrangements for interlinked offshore transmission solutions connecting to a single onshore substation

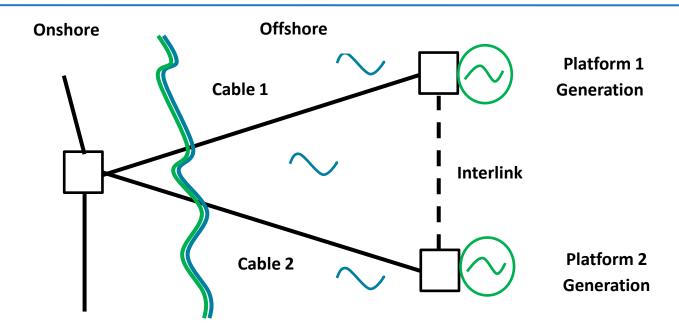






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Background



- Multiple generators access the MITS via a single onshore substation.
- Additional transmission circuit installed between platforms.
 - Provides a level of security with the interlink being held in open standby until a circuit to shore becomes unavailable.
 - May result in no additional transmission capacity.

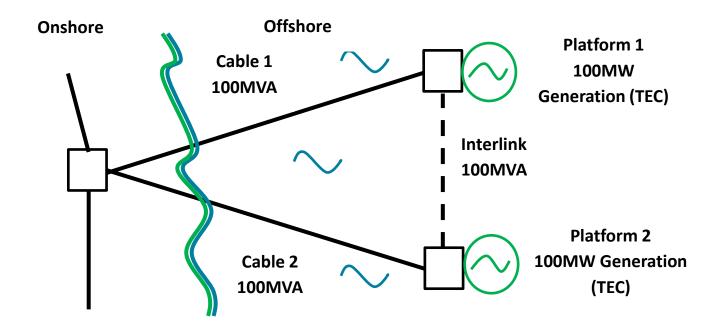
Summary of Defect

- Under the current charging methodology, the cost of providing the additional security would not be reflected in the local circuit charge.
 - The interlinking circuit is normally held in open stand-by.
- Some offshore developers are considering developing interlinks for some of their forthcoming projects.
 - Therefore there is a need to develop an appropriate cost reflective charge for the resulting links.

Proposed CUSC Modification

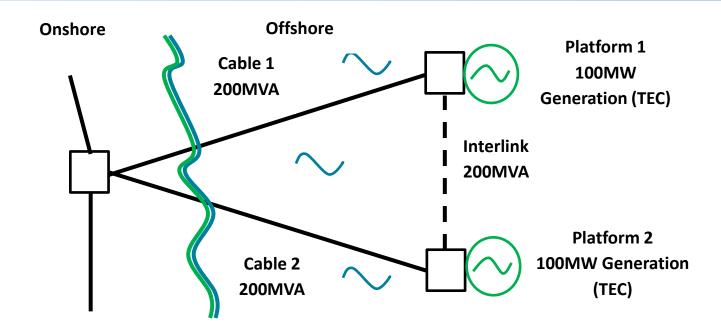
- This proposal seeks to Modify the TNUoS charging methodology within Section 14 of the CUSC to ensure that:
 - Circuits that interlink platforms connecting to the same onshore substation are charged cost reflectively; and
 - Charges take account of any additional capacity that can be utilised on export cables to shore through use of such an interlink.
- It is proposed that the solution applies the principles shown on the following slides.

Principle 1



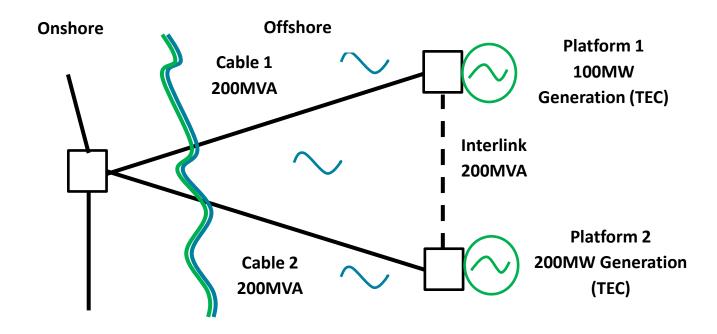
The charge for capacity on an interlinking circuit that can be utilised by generation on both sides of the link is set such that each party pays an amount representing an equal proportion of the associated OFTO revenue.

Principle 2



- Where an interlink provides a generator with additional redundancy via the links to shore charges for this should be equivalent level to the charge offered for a double circuit radial link.
- Treatment of scenarios where the costs/lengths to shore from each platform differ needs to be considered.

Principle 3



The Local circuit charge for an offshore generator should reflect additional capacity/security on export cables to shore that is made available through use of an interlinking circuit.

Justification against Applicable CUSC Objectives

- Ensures that the TNUoS charging methodology takes account of interlinked offshore transmission solutions.
 - Better facilitating applicable objective (c) Taking account of transmission business developments.
- Will result in generation charges that reflect the cost of transmission assets provided as part of an interlinked solution.
 - Better facilitating applicable objective (b) Cost reflectivity.
- As a result the OFTO revenue associated will be targeted to the generator using the interlink rather than being incorporated within the residual charge to all generation
 - Better facilitating applicable objective (a) Competition.

CMP242 Progression

- The Panel is asked to agree:
 - Whether CMP242 should be progressed through Selfgovernance
 - How to progress CMP242
 - Workgroup
 - Code Administrator Consultation

CMP242 Indicative timetable (Workgroup)

10 th April 2015	Deadline for comments on Terms of Reference / nominations for Workgroup membership
W/C 20 th April 2015	Workgroup meeting 1
W/C 4 th May 2015	Workgroup meeting 2
14 th May 2015	Workgroup consultation issued for 1 week Workgroup comment
21 st May 2015	Deadline for comment
26 th May 2015	Workgroup Consultation published
16 th June 2015	Deadline for responses
W/C 22 nd June 2015	Workgroup meeting 3
W/C 6 th July 2015	Workgroup meeting 4
13 th July 2015	Circulate draft Workgroup Report
20 th July 2015	Deadline for comment
23 rd July 2015	Submit final Workgroup Report to Panel
31 st July 2015	Present Workgroup Report at CUSC Modifications Panel

CMP242 Indicative timetable (Workgroup)

4 th August 2015	Code Administrator Consultation issued (15 Working days)
25 th August 2015	Deadline for responses
27th August 2015	Draft CUSC Modification Report issued for Industry comment
4 th September 2015	Deadline for comment
17 th September 2015	Draft CUSC Modification Report issued to CUSC Panel
25 th September 2015	CUSC Panel recommendation vote
29th September 2015	Draft FMR circulated for comment
6 th October 2015	Deadline for responses
8 th October 2015	Final CUSC Modification Report sent to Authority

CMP242 Indicative timetable (CA Consultation)

2 nd April 2015	Code Administrator Consultation issued (20 Working days)
5 th May 2015	Deadline for responses
7 th May 2015	Draft CUSC Modification Report issued for Industry comment
14 th May 2015	Deadline for comment
21st May 2015	Draft CUSC Modification Report issued to CUSC Panel
29 th May 2015	CUSC Panel recommendation vote
1 st June 2015	Draft FMR circulated for comment
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