

CUSC Alternative Form

CMP330 Alternative Request:

CMP330 ‘Allowing new Transmission Connected Parties to build Connection Assets greater than 2km in length’

Overview: This alternative solution is to remove the 2km limit used in the definition of connection assets for 132kV network asset only. This WACM is different to the original proposal that removed the 2km limit on connection assets for all transmission voltage levels.

Proposer: Andy Pace, Energy Potential

Guidance for Alternative Proposers

Who can raise an Alternative? Any CUSC or BSC Party, or Citizens Advice can raise an Alternative Request in response to the Workgroup Consultation.

How do Alternative Requests become formal Workgroup Alternative Modifications?

The Workgroup will carry out a Vote on Alternatives Requests. If the majority of the Workgroup members or the Workgroup Chair believe the Alternative Request will better facilitate the Applicable Objectives than the current version of the Code, the Workgroup will develop it as a Workgroup Alternative Modification.

Who develops the legal text for Alternatives? ESO will develop the Legal text for all Workgroup Alternative Modifications and will liaise with the Alternative Proposer to do so.

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What is the proposed alternative solution?

This alternative solution is to remove the 2km limit used in the definition of connection assets for 132kV network asset only.

What is the difference between this and the Original Proposal?

This WACM is different to the original proposal that removed the 2km limit on connection assets for all transmission voltage levels. The impact of this change is to reduce the scope of the change proposal to 132kV transmission network only.

What is the impact of this change?

Proposer's Assessment against CUSC Charging Objectives

Relevant Objective	Identified impact
(a) That compliance with the use of system charging methodology facilitates effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity and (so far as is consistent therewith) facilitates competition in the sale, distribution and purchase of electricity;	Positive - the removal of the 2km limit creates flexibility for new connectees at 132kV who can potentially connect more quickly and at lower cost than would otherwise be the case. This therefore facilitates competition in the generation and supply of electricity
(b) That compliance with the use of system charging methodology results in charges which reflect, as far as is reasonably practicable, the costs (excluding any payments between transmission licensees which are made under and accordance with the STC) incurred by transmission licensees in their transmission businesses and which are compatible with standard licence condition C26 requirements of a connect and manage connection);	Positive - The use of system charging methodology will be amended to ensure that those connectees whose connection assets exceed 2km at 132kV are charged cost reflectively for those assets, including second comer provisions, where applicable.
(c) That, so far as is consistent with sub-paragraphs (a) and (b), the use of system charging methodology, as far as is reasonably practicable, properly takes account of the developments in transmission licensees' transmission businesses;	Positive - The extension of contestability proposed under this change modification improves competition in the construction of new connections at 132kV. This is consistent with the development of transmission licensees' transmission businesses where the number of connections is increasing due to the GB zero carbon target.

(d) Compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency *; and	None
(e) Promoting efficiency in the implementation and administration of the system charging methodology.	None
*Objective (d) refers specifically to European Regulation 2009/714/EC. Reference to the Agency is to the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (ACER).	

When will this change take place?

Implementation date:

- The implementation timescales will be the same as the original proposal (01-Apr-2022)

Implementation approach:

The systems/ processes to be amended are the same as for the original proposal.

Acronyms, key terms and reference material

Acronym / key term	Meaning

Reference material:

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