

Codes Standing Groups & Information Forums



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The role of a CUSC Standing Group

- CUSC Modifications Panel have the ability to set up a Standing Group to consider and report to the CUSC Modifications Panel on issues specified by the Modifications Panel
 - Scope of work objectives are detailed in the Terms of Reference relating to:
 - Connection and use of system arrangements in GB
 - Charging Methodologies

Standing Group Governance

- The governance for a CUSC Standing Group can be found in section 8.21 within the CUSC
 - Frequency of Standing Group meetings is defined as necessary by the Standing Group Chair to meet the scope, objectives and timescales as defined by the CUSC Modifications Panel
 - A Standing Group shall comprise of at least (5) persons (who may be Panel members) or nominated by CUSC Parties ensuring that there is appropriate cross section of experience and expertise from across the industry

Current CUSC Standing Groups

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 - **Governance Standing Group** (GSG) – Chaired by Garth Graham, Scottish and Southern Electricity
 - National Grid is Technical Secretary for this group
 - Meetings are held quarterly
 - GSG looks at governance issues raised by the CUSC Modifications Panel

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 - **Balancing Services Standing Group (BSSG)** – Chaired by Mike Edgar, National Grid
 - Technical Secretary for this group is National Grid
 - Meetings are held every 6 weeks
 - BSSG is involved in reviewing contractual arrangements for the procurement of Balancing Services as set out in the CUSC

Information sharing forums

- **Transmission Charging Methodologies (TCMF)**

- Chaired by Pat Hynes, National Grid
- Technical Secretary for this group is National Grid
- Meetings are held every 8 weeks
- TCMF provides a forum for regular communication and discussion of issues relating to the Transmission Charging Methodologies which are detailed in section 14 of the CUSC
- CUSC Panel reviews the Terms of Reference from time to time to ensure an effective Forum is maintained
- Meeting papers and contact details for the TCMF can be accessed on the National Grid website at <http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Charges/TCMF/>

Information sharing forums

■ **Commercial Balancing Services Group (CBSG)**

- Chaired by Mike Edgar, National Grid
- Technical Secretary for this group is National Grid
- Meetings are held every 6 weeks
- CBSG is established by National Grid in order to provide a focal point for the industry, balancing service providers and National Grid to discuss area for development of Commercial Balancing Services
- The CBSG informally reports on the work of the group to the Electricity Operational Forum and CUSC Modifications Panel
- Further information and CBSG Meeting papers can be found at:
<http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Balancing/CommercialBalancingServicesGroup/>

Information Sharing Forums

- **Joint European Standing Group (JESG)**

- Chaired by Barbara Vest, Energy Networks
- Technical Secretary for this group is National Grid
- JESG membership is open to BSC/CUSC parties and those bound by the Grid Code and other GB interested Parties
- Meetings are held monthly
- JESG provides a forum to facilitate information sharing between National Grid (in its roles as National Electricity Transmission System Operator) and other GB Transmission System Operators who are members of the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity (ENTSO-e) and other GB Parties

Information Sharing Forums

■ Electricity Balancing System Group (EBSG)

- Chaired by Shafqat Ali, National Grid
- Technical Secretary for this group is National Grid
- EBSG membership is open to Grid Code Users/BSC Parties and Ofgem
- The scope of this group is limited to Electricity Balancing System, and the Balancing Mechanism and Ancillary Services data and the instructions that support this
- The EBSG will provide updates to the Grid Code Review Panel
- EBSG has a dedicated section under the Grid Code part of the National Grid website which can found at:
<http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/gridcode/workinggroups/ElectricityBalancingSystemGroup/>

How to raise an issue to an existing Standing Group or Information Forum

- How can I raise an issue to be discussed at CUSC Standing Group or Information Forum ?

You can contact the Technical Secretary for the relevant group and the contact details can be found

<http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/Contact/>

- How can I raise a Charging “issue”?

Please email at charging.enquiries@Nationalgrid.com

Contact information

- Meeting papers and presentations for the Standing Groups can be found at the following link
<http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Electricity/Codes/systemcode/workingstandinggroups/>
- If you require any further information please send an email to CUSC.Team@nationalgrid.com