

A photograph of a forest with tall, thin trees. A glowing yellow path winds through the trees, starting from the bottom left and curving towards the center. The path is composed of several parallel lines of light. The forest floor is covered in moss and small plants. The lighting is soft and natural, suggesting a sunny day.

# Back to Basics Charging



# Our Charges

## BSUoS

Balancing Services  
Use of System  
Charges  
~ £3.8bn Revenue \*

## TNUoS

Transmission Network  
Use of System Charges  
~ £4.4bn TO Revenue \*

## AAHEDC Charges

*Assistance for Areas with  
High Electricity  
Distribution Costs  
~ £110m SHEPD  
Revenue \**

## Connection Charges

*Charges for connecting to  
the transmission network  
(inc one-off + cap cons)  
~ £400m TO Revenue \**

\* Forecasts for FY23/24, as Feb 2023

BSUoS

## What are BSUoS charges and who pays them?

### What is the charge for?

- To recover the cost of balancing the system

### How is it charged?

- Half hourly £/MWh applied proportionately on your portfolio share

### Who pays?

- Suppliers
- Generators (until April 2023)

## Recent Changes to BSUoS

Came into effect 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023

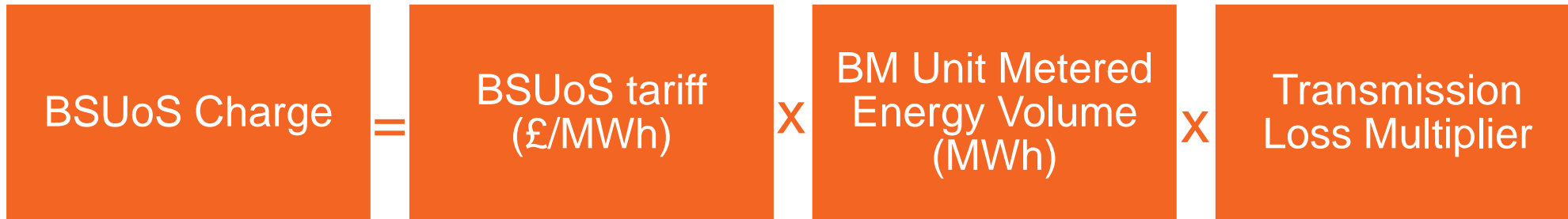
### CMP308

- Removal of BSUoS charges from Generation
- Charges to be levied on final demand only

### CMP361/362

- Introduction of an ex ante fixed BSUoS tariff
- No current BSUoS fund (insuring against tariffs needing to be reset in fixed period)
- Over/under recovery collected through future fixed tariffs

## How is BSUoS calculated?



### Before 1 April 2023:

- Previously BSUoS tariffs were set on a half-hourly basis, changing in each settlement period
- Total balancing cost for each period was divided by total volume to give a tariff
- BSUoS is split across demand and generation

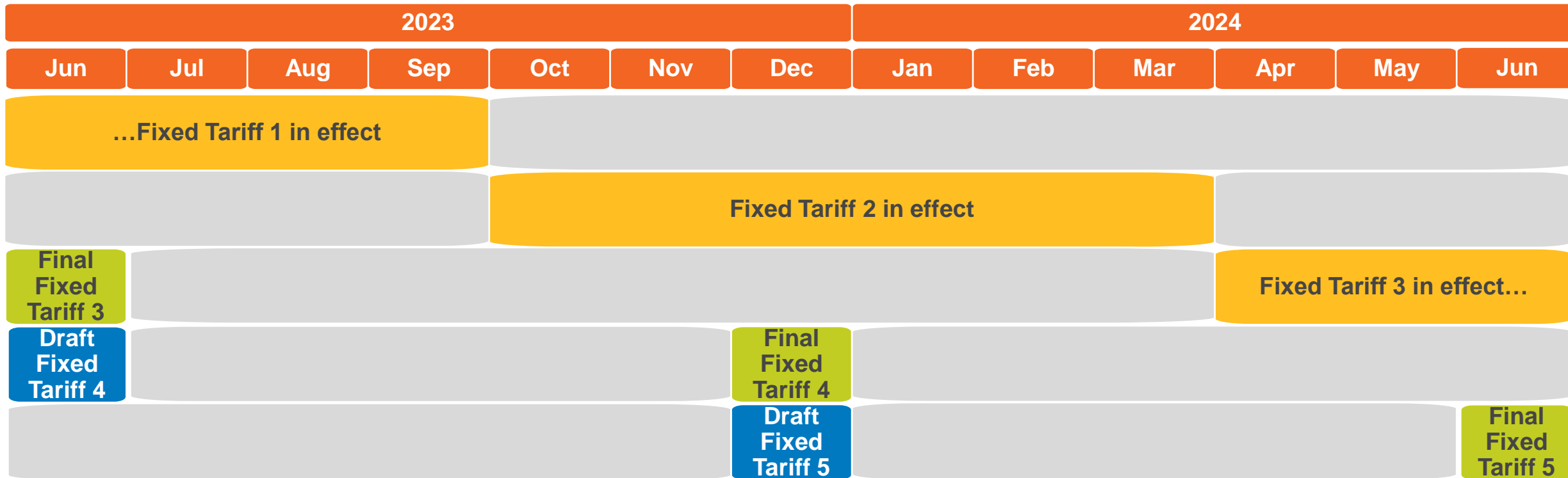
Financial Year 2023/24 - Tariff 1	
Description	Final Tariff
Balancing Costs (Central) £m	1387
Internal Costs £m	215.95
CMP395 Recovery	Included in Balancing Costs
Winter Security of Supply £m	87.5
Total BSUoS £m	1690.45
Estimated BSUoS Volume TWh	126.1
<b>BSUoS Tariff £/MWh</b>	<b>£13.41</b>

### After 1 April 2023:

- Since the introduction of CMP361, tariffs are set 9 months in advance and fixed for 6 months, meaning that the tariffs are set on forecast data rather than actuals
- Two fixed tariffs are created per charging year
- ESO Forecast cost elements and Final Demand Volumes to set the BSUoS tariff
- Tariffs are applied using the same calculation
- BSUoS is now only split across demand
- Over/under recovery against forecast included in future fixed tariffs

# BSUoS Tariff Setting Timetable

- Tariffs are set 9 months in advance
- Two tariffs are set each year Apr-Sep & Oct-Mar



## What are the costs that need to be recovered by BSUoS?

### Balancing Mechanism Costs

- Buying Electricity to Balance the System

### Ancillary Services Costs

- Services procured to balance demand/supply and ensuring security/quality

### ESO Internal Allowances

- Allowed Internal Costs recovered

### Energy Trading Costs

- Costs of trading actions taken ahead of the BM

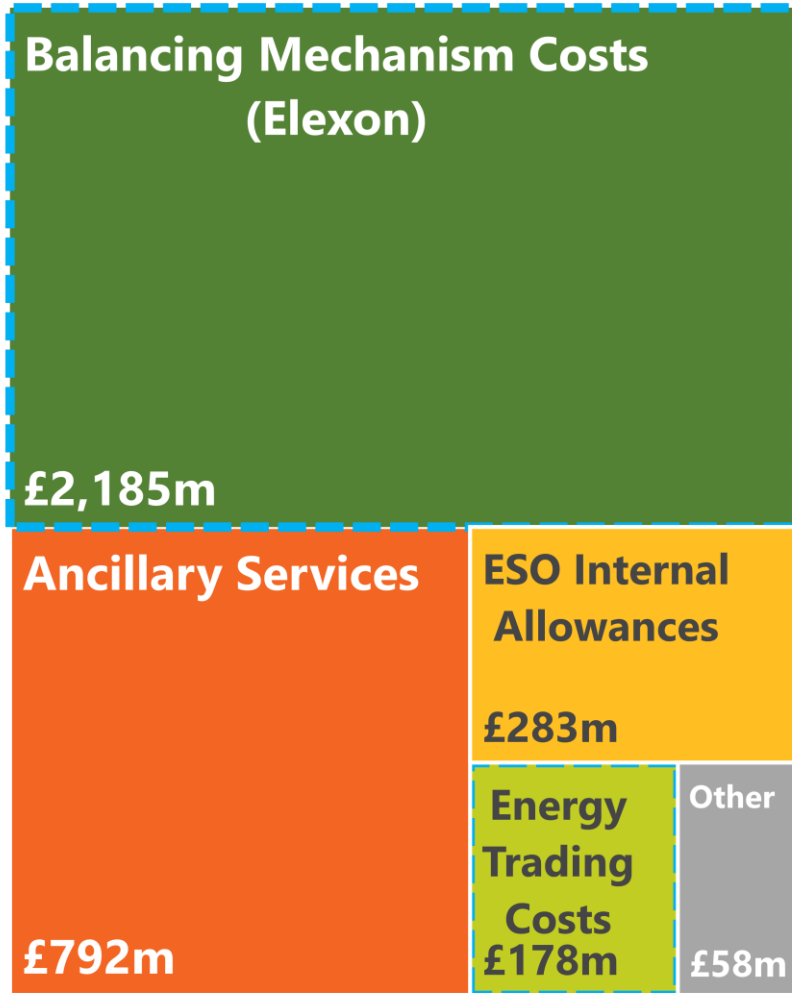
### ESO Incentive Costs

- Payment to/from ESO through incentive schemes

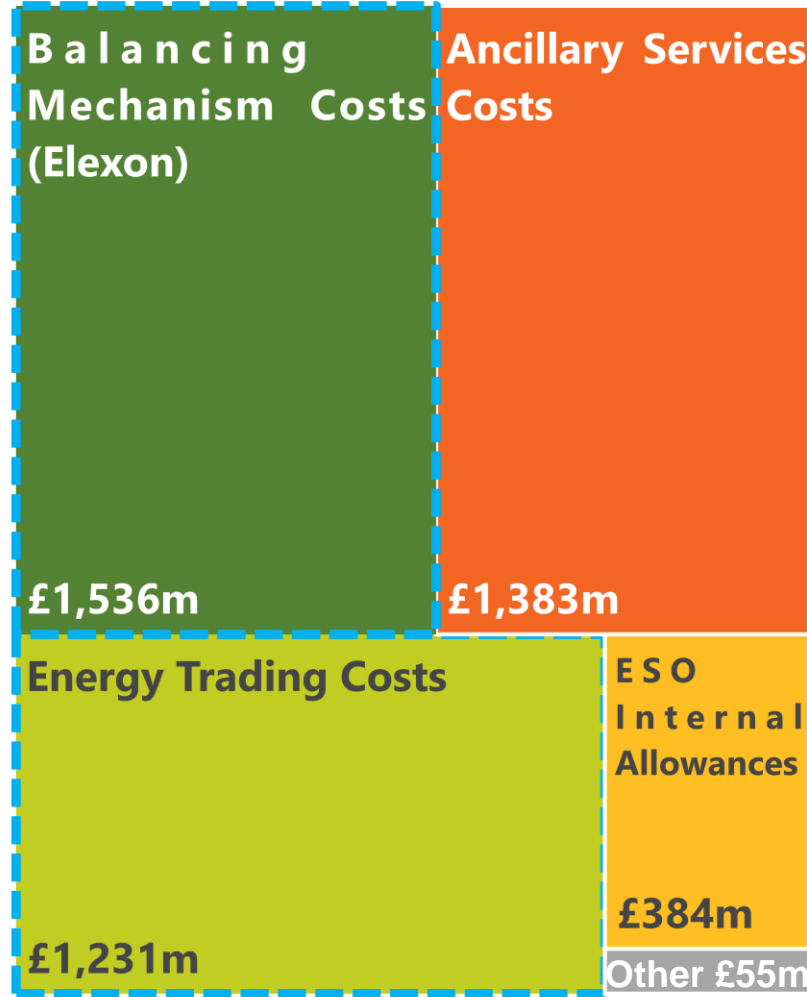


# Cost Allocations

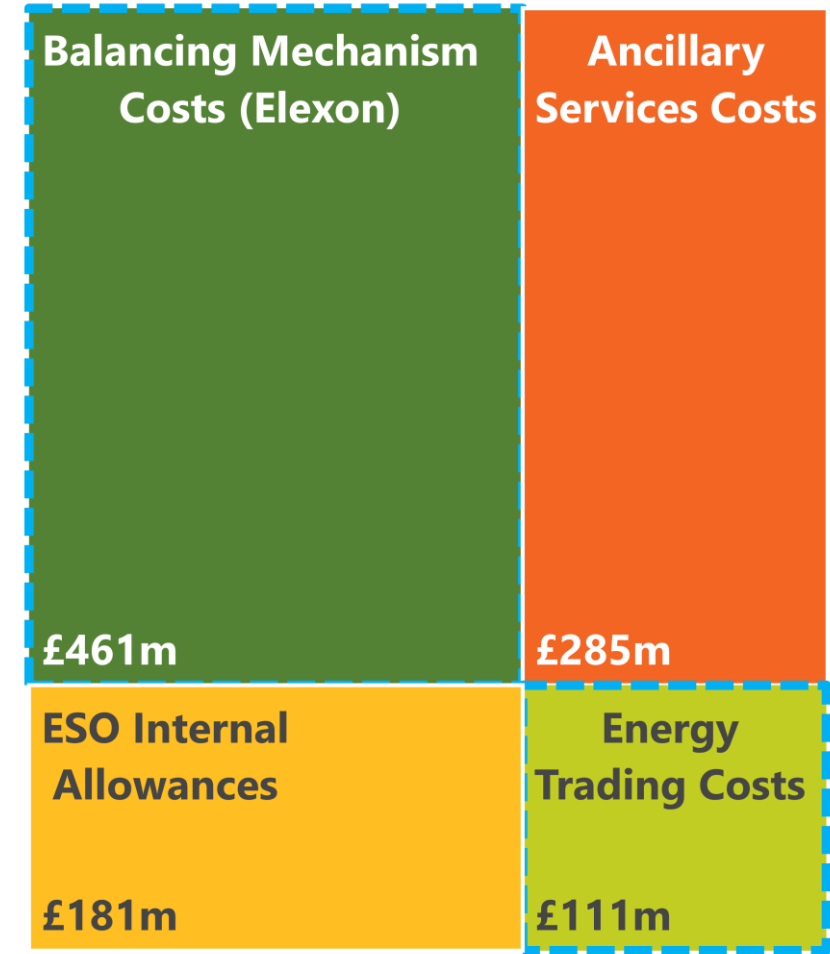
2021/22 BSUoS charges (£3.5bn)



2022/23 BSUoS charges (£4.6bn)



2023/24 (*Apr-Aug*) BSUoS Charges (£1.03bn)



TNUoS

## What is TNUoS?

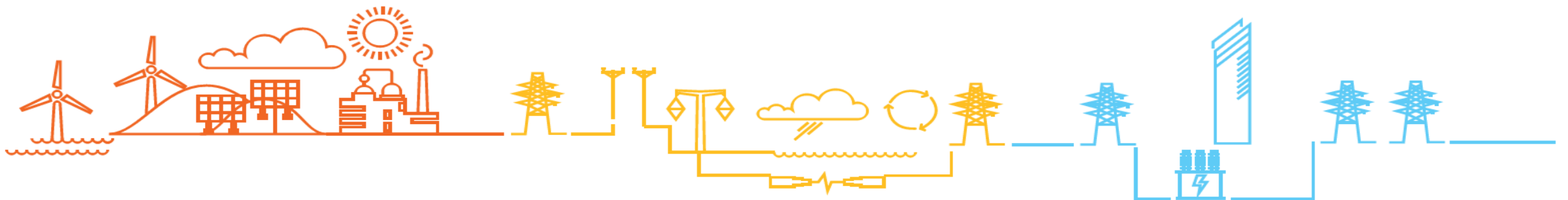
TNUoS is the Transmission Network Use of System charge and recovers the allowed revenue for Transmission Owners for the cost of building and maintaining transmission infrastructure.

**Locational charge:** reflects the incremental cost of power being added to/taken off the system at different geographical points

**A Residual charge for demand (Transmission Demand Residual TDR) and an adjustment tariff for generation :**

what is not recovered under the Locational charge is recovered in this pair of charges, which have two purposes :

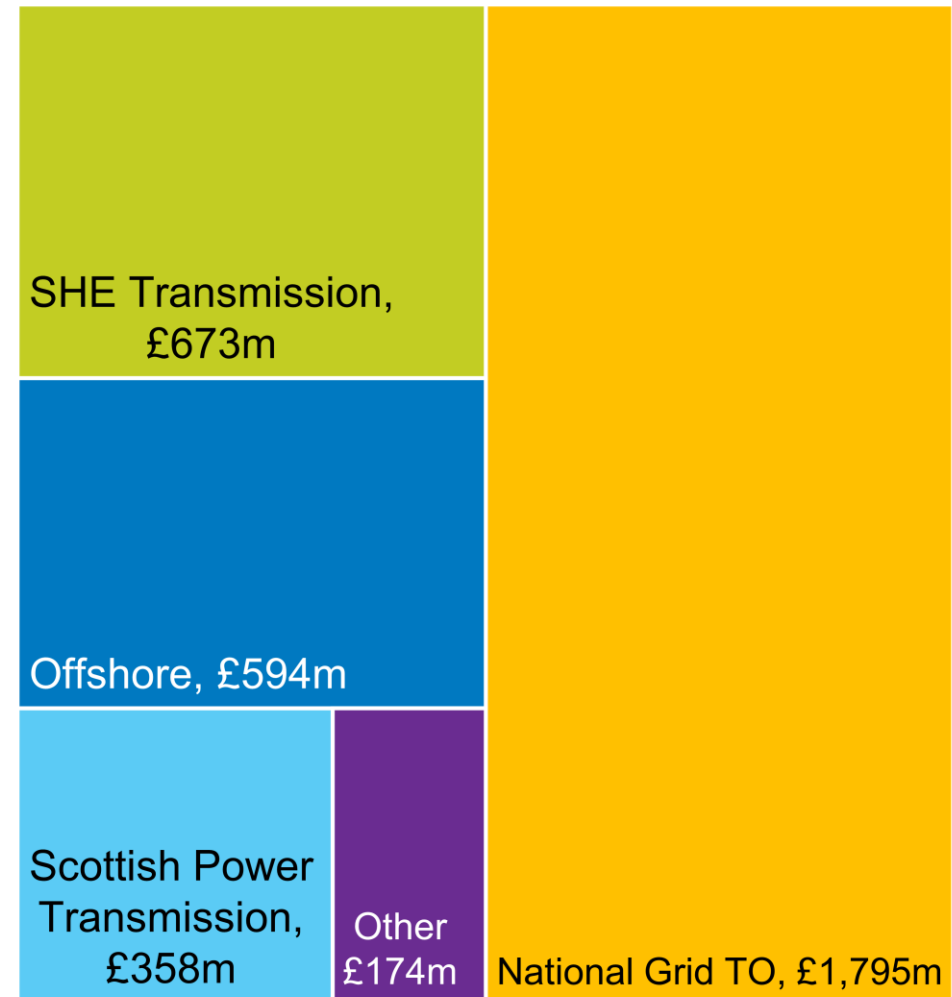
1. Ensure that that the TOs recover their total allowed revenues under price control (locational charges, unadjusted, will fall far short of that)
2. Ensure that the amount of TNUoS collected from generation as a class (with certain legal exclusions) is less than €2.50/MWh as an annual average overall (UK retained law - EC838/2010).



## What makes up the TNUoS Charge?

### Recover revenue for:

- Onshore TOs
  - National Grid Electricity Transmission
  - Scottish Power Transmission
  - Scottish Hydro Electricity Transmission
- Offshore TOs
- Other



Figures from [Final TNUoS Tariffs for 2022/23](#) - only in the excel "tables" (table 15) not in the PDF which has less detail



## Who pays TNUoS? – Generators

**Generators** that are directly connected to the transmission network & Embedded generators  $\geq 100\text{MW}$  TEC are chargeable

Generation TNUoS is charged on the basis of Transmission Entry Capacity (TEC) – see later slide for detail

Generators are also liable for Demand TNUoS if they take net demand during the Triad

## Who pays TNUoS? – Demand Locational

All licenced suppliers are liable for TNUoS charges, for their *gross demand* from the transmission network in one of the following 3 categories. This doesn't collect the right amount from demand overall towards the TOs' allowed revenues, bearing in mind that there is a cap on how much generators pay. So, there is also a residual charge on demand.

**Half-Hourly** metered demand pays demand locationals on the basis of Triads

**Non Half-Hourly** demand locationals, total 4pm-7pm annual consumption

**Embedded Export** credited for export over Triads

**Residual demand charge – see later slides**

## Who pays TNUoS? – Demand Residuals

- Changes were directed by Ofgem to the recovery of the demand residual (the part of the total TNUoS paid by demand that is not recovered by the application of locational demand charges) after the Targeted Charging Review (TCR) Significant Code Review (SCR)
- From 1/4/23, the transmission demand residual (TDR) has no longer been recovered via triads
- Residual charges are deemed to be ‘cost recovery’ and so shouldn’t send a behavioural signal or be avoidable
- A ‘banded’ method, which results in a £/site/day charge, was directed by Ofgem for both DUoS and TNUoS

## Embedded Export Tariff

- The Embedded Export Tariff is another element of TNUoS
- The EET is paid to exporting HH demand customers and embedded generators (<100MW), based on the HH metered export volume during the triads
- The EET's value is based on an estimate of the real value to the cost of the transmission system of them being embedded

### Embedded Export

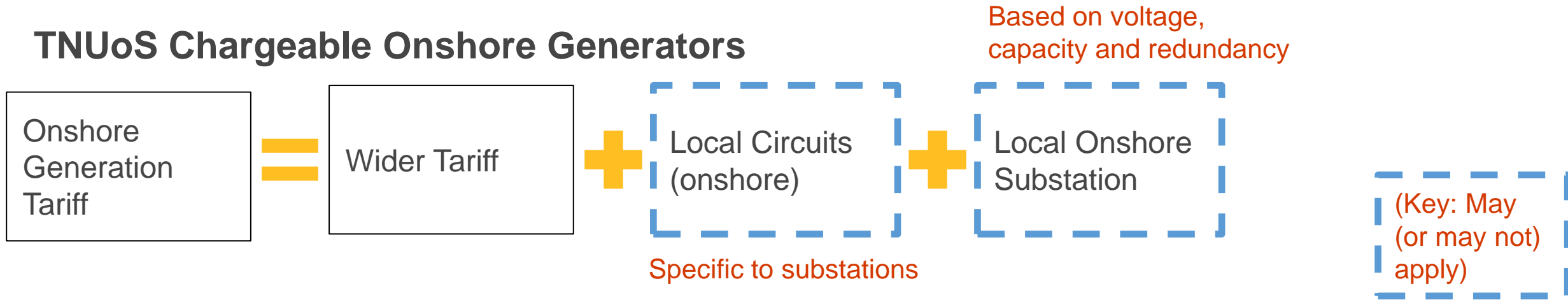
Credited a £/kW tariff for average export over the Triads



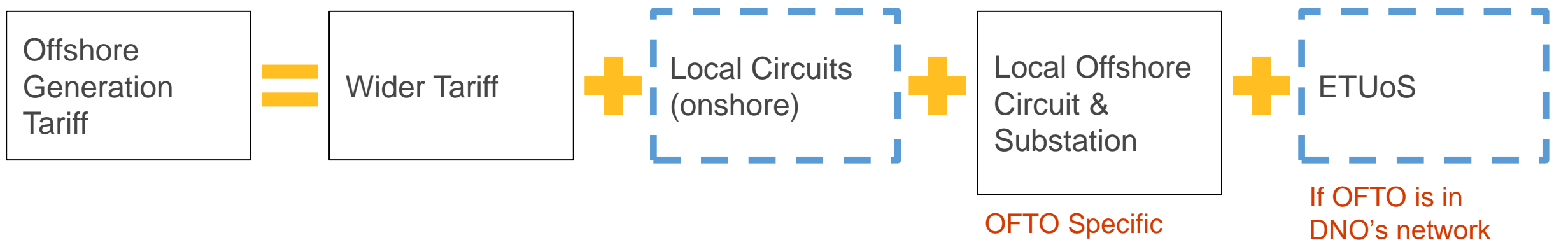


# Final Generation Tariff

## TNUoS Chargeable Onshore Generators



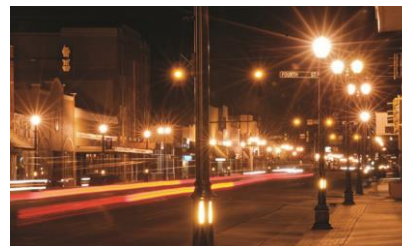
## Directly connected offshore generators



## Triads – What are they?

- Three half hour settlement periods of highest GB net demand
- Separated by a minimum of 10 clear days
- Determined after the event using settlement metering data reported in March
- Excludes interconnector demand but includes pumping and station demand

**November**

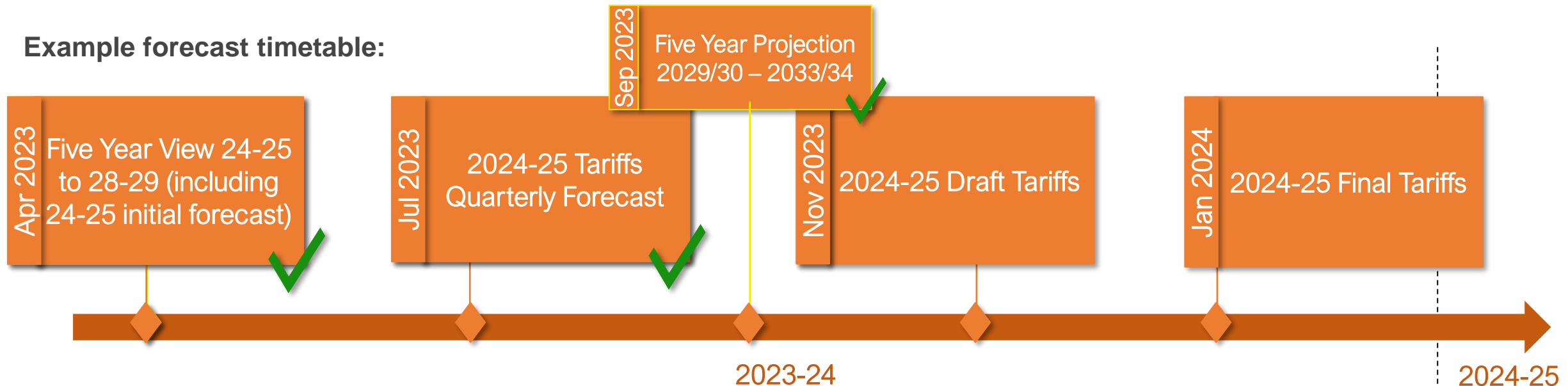


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## Tariff Timetable

ESO has a licence and Connection and Use of System Code (CUSC) obligation to publish quarterly TNUoS forecasts and a 5 year review annually, to enable market participants to make efficient operational and investment decisions.

### Example forecast timetable:



- The tariff forecasts are refined throughout the year
- The 5 year projection (2029/30 – 2033/24) is in addition to quarterly publications as detailed above
- The Final Tariffs are published by 31st January and take effect from the following 1st April
- The forecast timetable for each year is published by the end of the preceding January

## How to Track, and try to Change, Charging

- Charging is defined in section 14 of the CUSC. Any CUSC party can raise a CUSC change proposal (“mod”); so, can anyone else if they get Ofgem’s permission
- Ideas for new mods are commonly brought first to the monthly Transmission Charging Methodology Forum (TCMF) typically first Thursday of the month - Further details can be found on the ESO [website](#)
- Longer term reforms to TNUoS are being considered by a charging “task force”; more on reform later in the day. It has its own website
- Charging queries to: [TNUoS.Queries@nationalgrideso.com](mailto:TNUoS.Queries@nationalgrideso.com) / [BSUoS.Queries@nationalgrideso.com](mailto:BSUoS.Queries@nationalgrideso.com)
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