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STCP Modification Proposal Form

PM0139: STCP 19-6 Update: Updating submission dates for application fee charges

Overview: Adjustments of submission dates for Application Fee charges between Onshore TOs and ESO to reflect best practice ways of working.

Modification process & timetable

Initial STCP Proposal
1 12 March 2024

Approved STCP Proposal 27 March 2024

Implementation 12 April 2024

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Status summary: The Proposer has raised a modification and is seeking a decision from the Panel on whether the modification should be implemented.

This modification is expected to have a: Low impact

Transmission Owners, System Operator

Proposer's assessment of materiality	Not a material change – STC Panel approval			
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What is the issue?

STCP19-6 sets out dates for the submission of daily-charge out rates and fixed price application fees.

The dates currently listed in the procedure do not reflect best practice agreed between relevant parties, which ensure fully cost reflective charges to be set.

Currently the procedure as drafted, expects Application Fee charges to be submitted on 30th October each year. However, this would lead to inaccurate charges being set as the Onshore TOs are reliant on Consumer Price Index - Housing figures published by the Office of National Statistics and other Price Control financial variables which are published in November each year.

Why change?

In our view, the process for setting Application Fee charges can be improved by:

- a) Giving ESO early sight of possible fee type changes and for these to be agreed in good time.
- b) Adjusted the date for submission of final charges by the Onshore TOs to ESO until such time that relevant input data is obtained and in good time for ESO to make external publication deadlines.

This modification would in our view permit the most efficient and effective process for Application Fee charges to be set.

What is the proposer's solution?

- Add a provision (3.1.2 in the legal text below) which requires coordination between ESO and the Onshore TOs on any adjustments needed to the suite of application fee types.
- Change the date for final submission of Application Fee charges by the Onshore TOs from 30th October to 25th January (as per provisions 3.1.3 and 3.1.4).

Legal text Please see Annex 1 Procedure 3

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What is the impact of this change?

Proposer's assessment against STC Objectives				
Relevant Objective	Identified impact			
(a) efficient discharge of the obligations imposed upon transmission licensees by transmission licences and the Act	Positive Ensures the Transmission Owners can set accurate and cost reflective charges			
(b) development, maintenance and operation of an efficient, economical and coordinated system of electricity transmission	Neutral			
(c) facilitating effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity, and (so far as consistent therewith) facilitating such competition in the distribution of electricity	Neutral			
(d) protection of the security and quality of supply and safe operation of the national electricity transmission system insofar as it relates to interactions between transmission licensees	Neutral			
(e) promotion of good industry practice and efficiency in the implementation and administration of the arrangements described in the STC	Positive Ensures alignment on submission timelines and data requirements between TOs and the ESO			
(f) facilitation of access to the national electricity transmission system for generation not yet connected to the national electricity transmission system or distribution system;	Neutral			
(g) compliance with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decision of the European Commission and/or the Agency.	Neutral			



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Proposer's assessment against the STCP change requirements ¹	Proposer's assessment
(a) the amendment or addition does not impair, frustrate or invalidate the provisions of the Code	Requirement met
(b) the amendment or addition does not impose new obligations or liabilities or restrictions of a material nature on Relevant Parties which are not subsidiary to the rights and obligations of the Relevant Parties under the Code	Requirement met
(c) the amendment or addition is not inconsistent or in conflict with the Code, Transmission Licence Conditions or other relevant statutory requirements	Requirement met
(d) the Relevant Party Representatives deem that the amendment or addition is appropriate to support compliance with the Code	Requirement met

When will this change take place?

Implementation date 12/04/2024

Implementation approach N/A

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¹ STCP changes may only be made if they meet the requirements in Section B, 7.3.2



Interactions

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□Grid Code □European Network Codes	□BSC □Other modifications	□CUSC □Other	□SQSS				
No interactions							
Acronyms, key terms and reference material							
Acronym / key term	Meaning						
TO	Transmission Owner						
ESO	Energy System Operator						
STCP	System Operator Transmission Owner Code Procedures						

Reference material

Annex 1 – Legal Text