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By email

28th August 2015

Dear Abid

CUSC Modifications Panel Views on Urgency for CMP251 ‘Removing the error margin in the cap on total TNUoS recovered by generation and introducing a new charging element to TNUoS to ensure compliance with European Commission Regulation 838/2010’.

On 19th August 2015, British Gas raised CMP251, with a request for the proposal to be treated as an Urgent CUSC Modification Proposal. The CUSC Modifications Panel ("the Panel") considered CMP251 and the associated request for urgency at the CUSC Modifications Panel meeting held on 28th August 2015. This letter sets out the views of the Panel on the request for urgent treatment and the procedure and timetable that the Panel recommends.

Request for Urgency

The Panel considered the request for urgency with reference to Ofgem's Guidance on Code Modification Urgency Criteria. The unanimous view of the Panel is that CMP251 should NOT be treated as an Urgent CUSC Modification Proposal.

- The issue is complex and should be developed properly within a Workgroup without rushing the process.

In the discussion, members of the Panel also noted concerns over granting urgency, set out below;

- Using an urgent process holds an inherent risk of unintended consequences, which may arise due to there being insufficient time for all aspects of a Modification Proposal to be considered;

Procedure and Timetable

Having decided not to recommend urgency to Ofgem, the Panel discussed an appropriate process for CMP251. The Panel agreed that CMP251 would require a Workgroup and subject to Ofgem's decision on Urgency should follow the standard four month Workgroup process.

The Panel Members agreed that the attached timetable should be used; however the Workgroup should be mindful to progress the modification within a timely manner.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions on this letter or the proposed process and timetable. I look forward to receiving your response.

Yours sincerely

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Michael Toms
CUSC Panel Chair

Appendix: Proposed timetable

19 th August 2015	CUSC Modification Proposal and request for Urgency submitted
28 th August 2015	CUSC Panel considers Proposal and request for Urgency
28 th August 2015	Request for Workgroup members (5 Working days)
28 th August 2015	Panel's view on urgency submitted to Ofgem for consideration
2 nd September 2015	Ofgem view on urgency provided
W/C 28th September 2015	Workgroup meeting 1
W/C 12th October 2015	Workgroup meeting 2
27th October 2015	Workgroup Consultation issued (15 Working days)
17th November 2015	Deadline for responses
20th November 2015	Workgroup meeting 3
10th December 2015	Workgroup report issued to CUSC Panel
18th December 2015	Workgroup report presented to CUSC Panel
4 th January 2016	Code Administrator Consultation issued
25 th January 2016	Consultation closes
28th January 2016	Draft FMR published for industry comment
4th February 2016	Deadline for comments
18th February 2016	Draft FMR issued to Panel
26th February 2016	Panel Recommendation Vote
29th February 2016	Final FMR circulated for Panel comment
7th Marh 2016	Deadline for Panel comment
10th March 2016	Final report sent to Authority for decision
14th April 2016	Indicative Authority Decision due
28th April 2016	Implementation Date