

Minutes

Meeting name Special CUSC Modifications Panel

Meeting number 212

Date of meeting 17 August 2017

Location WebEx

Attendees

| Name | Initials | Position |
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| Mike Toms | MT | Panel Chair |
| John Martin | JM | Code Administrator (alternate) |
| Christine Brown | СВ | Panel Secretary (alternate) |
| Louise Schmitz | LS | National Grid Panel Member |
| Cem Suleyman | CS | Users' Panel Member |
| Paul Mott | PM | Users' Panel Member |
| Garth Graham | GG | Users' Panel Member |
| Robert Longden | RL | Consumer Panel Member (alternate) |
| Charlie Friel | CF | Authority Representative (alternate) |
| Claire Kerr | CK | ELEXON (alternate) |
| James Anderson | JA | Users' Panel Member |

1 Introductions and Apologies for Absence

Apologies were provided by Paul Jones (PJ), Nicholas Rubin (NR), Kyle Martin (KM), Simon Lord (SL), Andy Pace (AP), Nadir Hafeez (NH), Caroline Wright (CW) and Heena Chauhan (HC).

All presentations given at this CUSC Modifications Panel meeting can be found in the CUSC Panel area on the National Grid website:

http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Electricity-codes/CUSC/Panel-information/

2 CMP268 second Authority send back

- 6698. CMP268 'Recognition of sharing by Conventional Carbon plant of Not-Shared Year-Round circuits'. CMP268 proposes to change the charging methodology to more appropriately recognise of the impact of "Conventional Carbon" generation on transmission network investment costs in areas with low diversity of generation ideally ahead of the December 2016 Capacity Auction.
- 6699. LS thanked the Panel for convening at such short notice. She stated that she requested a Special CUSC Panel in response to the send back letter from the Authority. She noted that there was a need for a timely response and that we should be using all reasonable endeavours as stated in the send back letter. Furthermore she noted that she would like to talk through the work that National

Grid had completed internally explaining she was comfortable that the work could be completed quickly should the Panel be content with that approach. Lastly she explained that in order for this modification to be implemented for April 2018 National Grid require a confirmed position from the Authority noting the words chosen in the send back letter of 'furthering the CUSC objectives' it was possible that implementation would be required for April 18. LS also highlighted that customers would also benefit from the confirmed position as soon as possible.

- 6700. LS stated that National Grid had carried out work internally pulling together additional legal text which deals directly with the request and that they have looked at additional terms so that ambiguity is removed. She was confident that they were in a position to fulfil the request and noted that she had also spoken to the Proposer of the modification to ensure that they were confident also.
- 6701. MT asked LS whether she was content without carrying out a further Consultation. LS stated that she was content that National Grid had fulfilled their action and that the next steps would be up to the Panel to decide on.
- 6702. LS explained that there was nothing of substance and that nothing within the Final Modification Report that had been issued to the Authority that had been amended. LS went onto explain that the only amendments to the legal text are to ensure that when reading the legal text independently of the FMR that they would align.
- 6703. JM stated that the Code Administrator recommended a small Consultation as outlined within the slides presented.
- 6704. GG questioned whether the Code Administrator Consultation could be issued on the day of the Special CUSC Panel (17 August 2017) for 4.5 days so that the Panel could review the responses at the Panel meeting due to take place on the 25 August 2017. He noted that the responses would just be around the amendment to the legal text rather than the merit of the modification and as such the Panel should be in a position to review in the time suggested. All Panel members agreed with this approach. The Code Administrator Consultation will therefore be issued for 4.5 days beginning on the 17 August 2017 and closing at midday on Thursday 24 August 2017.
- 6705. MT asked the Panel whether they had any further questions or observations that they would like to discuss. RL stated that the word Carbon had been used numerous times throughout the revised text and wanted to have confirmation that they were all adequately defined. LS confirmed that they had all been checked in response to the send back letter. She confirmed that the new drafting made it so that a Generator could not fall into more than one category. She explained that it would be impossible to remove Carbon entirely due to that the fact that it was inherent due to Project Transmit but understood that this resulted in Section 14 of the CUSC being a difficult read. LS also informed the Panel that National Grid was working on an ongoing piece for accessibility for Network Users.
- 6706. GG stated that he had spoken to the Proposer from SSE ahead of the meeting and thanked National Grid and the Code Administrator for their work in getting this work concluded as directed by the Authority.

6707. LS explained to the Panel that she had worked with the Proposer to ensure the intent of the FMR was met by the revisions made to the legal text. RL questioned whether this was a unique example of legal text errors to whether this was a wider issue. LS stated that she was already working on a piece of work internally with the Code Administrator on legal text for modifications and noted that this send back gives further evidence of the need to expedite this work as soon as possible.

10 Next meeting

6708. The next normal Panel meeting will take place on **25 August 2017** via teleconference.