

AUTHORITY DIRECTION TO CONSULT ON A REVISED IMPLEMENTATION DATE FOR P286

MEETING NAME BSC Panel

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Purpose of paper Decision

Classification Public

Summary This paper presents the responses to the Panel's consultation on a proposed revised Implementation Date for P286 and invites the Panel to approve a revised date to send to the Authority.

1. Overview of P286

- 1.1 [Proposed Modification P286 'Revised treatment of RCRC for generation BM Units'](#) was raised by National Grid on 25 May 2012. It proposes to exclude generation BM Units from RCRC payments or charges should [Connection and Use of System Code \(CUSC\) Modification Proposal \(CMP\) 201 'Removal of BSUoS Charges from Generators'](#) be approved.
- 1.2 At its meeting on 13 December 2012, the BSC Panel unanimously recommended to the Authority that P286 should be approved ([Panel 206/08](#)).
- 1.3 On 7 March 2014, the Authority issued a direction to the Panel to consult on a revised proposed Implementation Date for P286. The Authority believes that P286 is contingent on CMP201, and that, as it did not expect to reach a decision on CMP201 on or before the final decision date for P286 of 31 March 2014, a new date should be sought.
- 1.4 At its meeting on 20 March 2014, the Panel proposed a revised Implementation Date for P286 of **1 April 2017** if the Authority's decision is received on or before 31 March 2015. This proposed date was then issued for industry consultation.

2. Consultation responses

- 2.1 We received four responses to the industry consultation on the Panel's proposed revised Implementation Date, none of which disagreed with the proposed date. You can find the full responses received in Attachment A.
- 2.2 One respondent noted that, while the two year lead time allowed by the proposed date aligned with that for the CMP201 Original Solution, which was the CUSC Panel's preferred approach, the Authority could choose to approve CMP201 with a three or five year lead time. They believed that if this was to happen, implementing P286 before CMP201 would unfairly penalise generators. We consider that, given the CUSC Panel's preference for a two year lead time and that the Authority is minded to reject CMP201, the proposed Implementation Date is the most appropriate approach. If the Authority was to approve CMP201 with a longer lead time, or was unable to make a decision on CMP201 before 31 March 2015, it can request a further revision to the P286 Implementation Date from the BSC Panel.
- 2.3 Another respondent noted that the proposed approach was consistent with the previous Implementation Dates for P286, but reiterated their previous views that a longer lead time may be more preferable.

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3. Next steps

- 3.1 Following consultation, the Panel will recommend its revised proposed Implementation Date to the Authority (F2.11.19).
- 3.2 If the Authority accepts the revised proposed Implementation Date, it will notify the Panel of this decision and the revised date will replace that originally submitted as part of the Final Modification Report (F2.11.20).

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 We invite you to:
 - **CONFIRM** a revised proposed Implementation Date for P286 of:
 - 1 April 2017 if the Authority's decision is received on or before 31 March 2015; and
 - **NOTE** that we will issue the Panel's revised date to the Authority to replace that originally submitted in the P286 Final Modification Report.

Appendices

None

Attachments

Attachment A – Consultation Responses

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