

TAR Enabling Sub Group

Meeting Name	Transmission Access Review (TAR) Enabling Sub Group
Meeting No.	1
Date of Meeting	12 th May 2008
Time	10:00 – 15:00
Venue	AEP Offices, 17 Waterloo Road, London

This note outlines the key action points from the first meeting of the TAR Enabling Sub Group.

1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

1. Apologies for absence were received from Graeme Cooper (Fred Olsen).

2. Sub Group Terms of Reference and group admin

2. The Terms of Reference were reviewed with a number of revisions suggested. The revised versions are to be circulated.
3. HR outlined timescales for the working group: a working group report needs to be finalised by the 19th July.
4. Location of meeting 3, 4th June, is at the EdF Energy office:

EDF Energy
2nd Floor, Cardinal Place
80 Victoria Street
London
SW1E 5JL

5. For future meetings, a meeting slot of 10am-4pm should be allowed for, although it may not always last for the full duration.

3. Decisions made and key points

6. The existing CUSC and charging governance arrangements are being applied unchanged for the TAR. The Sub Group will produce a Working Group report for the panel followed by a consultation. The report will be written during the WG process and be available for comment. It is likely that CAP161 – 166 will each have a separate report.
7. The usual charging governance process is a 28 days consultation. The enabling charging amendment aims to take into account all sub group views into raising the charging mod as opposed to the usual 'National Grid' raises a single mod model and after which comments are sought.
8. The intention is to publish the CUSC consultation and final charging consultations at the same time. Although timescales differ for the two processes: An Authority veto decision must be made within 28 days of a charging conclusion report but CUSC amendments do not have such a deadline for Authority decision. If an Impact Assessment is required (AM suggested this is likely), the timings will change (90 days for charging and 6 weeks for CUSC). A joint access and charging report may be possible although both components have different and specific compulsory content which may result in unnecessary additional complexity for little benefit. Maybe a single overview/ explanatory document.
9. There is an ongoing modification (CAP160) which proposes a change to the CUSC governance process, which may have knock on effects.

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10. A new Zoning Methodology to be considered which may sit outside the existing codes.
11. The Chair and CUSC panel members are to ensure that work is not repeated between Working Groups. All material from meetings will be published on National Grid's TAR website, with clear contact details, e.g. NG or WG members.
12. If consensus cannot be achieved on an issue of debate, it is to be taken away and discussed on a bilateral basis.
13. Detailed analysis will also be taken away rather than just debated in the WG meetings. Ofgem was requested to provide guidance on the level of analysis required during the WG process.
14. It was stressed that people should make every effort to make full use of WG time e.g. arrive on time, stay for the full duration and contribute fully. People should have a sensible attendance in order to vote. The proposed CAP160 mechanism may be applied where the raising of Consultation alternatives is only permitted there is majority support from the Working Group and Chairman.

4. Actions and Next Steps

15. It was agreed to publish a monthly headline report, including progress against work plan. With an intention to be available for the CUSC Panel meeting.
Action: TI
16. Add a standard agenda item of progress within the other WGs
Action: TI
17. Can we distribute the draft ETSO guidelines on average generation transmission tariffs.
Action: TI/CM
18. TAR may result in the raising of several competing modifications, which is unprecedented. HR and Ofgem to discuss how multiple charging mods might be dealt with.
Action: AM
19. Update both ToRs
Action: CM
20. Update Work Plan
Action: TI
21. Confirm location of EdF's offices for meeting three.
Action: TI
22. Review and add to the TAR Risk and Issues log covering all TAR Work Groups
Action: All

5. Date of Next Meeting

23. The next (2nd) Sub Group meeting will be held on Tuesday 27th May 2008 at the AEP Offices in London (SW1Y 4AR). The meeting will commence at 10.00am.
24. The following meeting (3rd) is arranged for 4th June 2008 at the EDF offices in London.

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Appendix 1 – Working Group Attendance

Members Present:

Allan Kelly	AK	Scottish Power
Barbara Vest	BV	Gaz de France
Craig Maloney	CM	National Grid
Dave Wilkerson	DW	Centrica
David Lewis	DL	EDF Energy
Dennis Timmins	DT	RWE npower
Frank Prashad	FP	RWE npower
Hêdd Roberts	HR	Chair
Helen Snodin (alt)	HS	SSE (SRF)
Louise Schmitz	LS	British Energy
Paul Jones	PJ	E.On
Robert Longden	RL	Airtricity
Simon Lord	SL	First Hydro

In Attendance:

Anthony Mungall	AM	Ofgem
Tom Ireland	TI	National Grid
Chris Barrass	CB	Centrica
Qiong Zhou (Jo)	QZ	National Grid

Apologies:

Graeme Cooper	GC	Fred Olsen
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