Open letter: Offshore Charging Methodology Damian Clough, National Grid



Open Letter: Offshore Charging

- We have published an Open Letter in the following location.
- Purpose is to provide clarity of current process.

Open Letter Summary

- OFTO allowed revenue is set for a 20 year period.
 - Can be subject to adjustments such as IAEs
- Offshore Local tariffs are collected as part of TNUoS
 - Local substation and local circuit tariffs only paid by offshore generators.
 - Set at the point of asset transfer and increased annually by inflation only.
 - Then revised at the start of each price control period

Open Letter Summary

- As local tariffs are set, any changes in revenue (positive or negative) are not reflected.
- To ensure this happens an adjustment is made at the start of each price control.
 - Section 14 of the CUSC 14.15.80 to 14.15.84
- This will take effect from 2021/2022 and will be spread over the duration of the next price control period (RIIO-T2).



Open Letter: Feedback or Queries

- Any feedback or queries please email:
 - charging.enquiries@nationalgrid.com

Open letter consultation: Investment Ahead of TEC guidance document

John Brookes, National Grid

Summary

- On 1st June 2017 National Grid issued an open letter consultation to seek views on changes being proposed to the Investment Ahead of TEC guidance note.
- Seven responses were received; one being a joint response from Scottish Renewables and Renewable UK.

Summary

- The other responses received were from;
 - Innogy Renewables UK Limited
 - ScottishPower
 - EDP Renewables
 - EDF Energy plc
 - DONG Energy UK
 - Uniper Energy

Questions

- 1. Do you agree with the principle that inefficient costs related to early transmission investment, which occurs as a result of a Customer request, should be recovered from the customer who makes the request?
- 2. What are your views on the changes we are proposing to the guidance note and methodologies?
- 3. What are your views on the benefits of publishing separate guidance notes for each of the two charges currently outlined in the guidance document?
- 4. Are there any further changes you would like to see made to the guidance note?

Responses

- 1. Respondents broadly agree with the principle; when it supports cost reflectivity and is under appropriate circumstance.
- View on changes largely called out that guidance is not sufficient to apply a charge. Reiterating the different interpretation of CUSC between NG and those who responded.
- 3. There was widespread agreement that backfeed should be dealt with separately to ensure the correct treatment of both charges.
- 4. Common theme around the need for evidence of cost impact and the benefit of transparent spend profiles relevant to a charge.

Options being considered

- Feedback received is being considered in making further changes to the guidance document. Intention is to make available to industry in September.
- Modification to be brought forward in the near future; responses are being used to inform the defect and original proposal.