

## 1. DUoS Charges for Phased Capacity Sites

- 1.1 During the October DCMDG meeting, members discussed option related to an issue of how to interpret Paragraphs 1.86 to 1.90 of Schedule 22 in terms of understanding what DUoS charges should be applicable for Phased Capacity Sites. It was noted that, specifically the current drafting of paragraphs 1.88 and 1.89 of Schedule 22 was not clear and members discussed ways this could be amended so as to provide readers with the additional help in interpreting the text better.
- 1.2 Two main ideas were put forward during the last meeting and an action was taken for these to be set out for consideration during the next meeting. The suggestions were for the inclusion of a table, using the example scenario already contained in the text, that could show the phasing alongside residual charging band allocation across the relevant time period and/or to make a small amendment to the text to make it clearer.
- 1.3 Both options have been added to the below extract of the relevant paragraphs for further consideration by members:

### ***Phased Capacity Site***

- 1.86 *If a Customer has a requirement for capacity to increase over a period of time, then a phased Required Capacity can be agreed. The phased Required Capacity will be documented in the Connection Agreement for the connection.*
- 1.87 *The DNO will use the phased Required Capacity to assess the needs of the Distribution System and what, if any, Reinforcement is required. Any Reinforcement will be charged in accordance with the Charging Methodology for a Demand Connection or Generation Connection, as appropriate.*
- 1.88 *The DNO will use the phased Required Capacity, updated in the Connection Agreement and as applicable at the relevant time, as the Maximum Capacity for the purposes of calculating the Customer's Use of System Charges.*
- 1.89 *By agreeing a phased Required Capacity, the Customer is committing to pay, from Energisation of the connection, Use of System Charges based upon the residual charging band allocated in accordance with DCUSA Schedule 32 (Residual Charging Bands) based on the Required Capacity ~~(for that ramping phase)for the complete development~~. For example, if the connection will be ramped from 1MVA to 5MVA over 10 years, the Customer is committing to pay Use of System Charges for a 5MVA connection in line with the ramped profile (i.e. when the capacity is ramped to 5MVA in year 10).*

<u>Development Phase Year</u>	<u>Phased Required Capacity</u>	<u>Applicable Residual Charging Band*</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>1MVA</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>3</u>	<u>2MVA</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>6</u>	<u>4MVA</u>	<u>3</u>
<u>10</u>	<u>5MVA</u>	<u>4</u>

\*Illustrative only

1.90 During the Development Phase a review may be undertaken annually on or around the anniversary of the date of Energisation of the connection. The results of that review will be discussed, and we may require reasonable changes to the phasing as a result of that review.

1.4 If agreed, the next step would be for a volunteer to raise a Change Proposal (CP) to address this issue.