Connection Management Framework – Process Document: Summary of changes from V3.0 to V4.0

1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose of the document

1.2 Terms used in this document

- minor wording change: adding "modification" as this is broader than "enhancement"
- new definition of Large Load = 50 MW or greater

1.3 Context of the CMF

- updated version superseded from V2 to V3

2 Transpower's connection process

2.1 Open access

- new clause setting out the requirements for Large Load

2.2 Connect and manage

- new clause noting Transpower's approach to prioritising that resources are allocated to load and other non-generation projects based on their strategic importance and urgency

3 Connection management framework

3.1 Eligibility

- new clauses noting the inclusion of load and other non-generation projects

3.2 Application

- updated to cover customers who require a modification of Transpower's assets as well as those that require a connection

3.3 Generation and Energy Storage Pipeline and Application Fee

- minor changes to wording to tighten definitions

3.4 Load and Other Non-Generation Pipeline and Application Fee

- new section

3.5 Additional Pipeline and Application Fee Information

- tightened definition to be clear that the Application Fee is used to offset the cost of works and services provided under a TWA at the end of the project

3.6 Investigation and milestones

- minor changes to wording to refer to commissioning (of the connection, as specified in the TWA)

3.7 Transpower may accelerate Generation and Energy Storage projects under limited circumstances

- change to wording to ensure that this refers exclusively to generation and energy storage projects

3.8 Transpower assessment of priority for Load and Other Non-Generation projects

- new section, that sets out our present practice

4 Governance and fee refundability

5 Useful links

Appendix 1: Generation and Energy Storage CMF Application Form

1.1 Introduction

- consistent use of terminology: application form, guidance notes, investigation

1.2 Purpose

1.3 Process

- "Pipeline" in defined in this application form as "generation and energy storage pipeline"

2.1 Details of applicant

2.2 High level projects details

2.3 Technical support

2.4 Conceptual design

2.5 Connection feasibility and transmission capacity assessment

2.6 Funding strategy and market dispatch assessment

- new section

2.7 Property rights

2.8 Environmental approvals
2.9 Stakeholder engagement
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1.4 Requirements of Application
2.1 Details of applicant
2.2 High-level project details
2.3 Technical support
2.4 Conceptual design
2.5 Connection feasibility and transmission capacity assessment
- no changes other than updating a reference and making consistent use of "generation and energy storage" throughout

2.6 Funding strategy and market dispatch assessment
- new section

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2.11 Timing
2.12 OIO approval
- no changes other than those noted above

Appendix 3: Load and Other Non-Generation CMF Application Form
- new

Appendix A: Application Fee Terms and Conditions
- new

Appendix 4: Load and Other Non-Generation CMF Application Guidance Notes
- new