

UNC 0628:

Mod Title: Standard Design Connections : PARCA
process



Proposer: National Grid

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Why change?



- Project CLoCC is an Network Innovation Competition (NIC) project with objectives to reduce the **time** and **cost** of NTS connections
- Currently the Planning and Advanced Reservation of Capacity Agreement (PARCA) process takes up to 6 months to complete for Stage 1.
- Project CLoCC is introducing new Standard Connection Designs which will introduce a quicker Connection Offer.
- Feedback received that customers want to have certainty over capacity when they sign a connection offer.
- Mod 0628 is to align the PARCA process for a Standard Connection Design customer, where capacity can be substituted, to make the timescales fit better with the revised connection Offer timescales.

Solution



- Project CLoCC will deliver a Capacity Indicator via an online connection portal.
- If the Capacity Indicator is Green then Capacity can be substituted, subject to verification.
- If Green then this can be processed quicker and therefore PARCA Stage 1 could complete in a timeframe that better fits with the customers Connection Offer.
- This means that Customers can have more certainty over capacity when signing their connection offer.
- This means that an appropriate PARCA application fee can also be offered reflecting the accelerated process.

Recommended Steps



- The Proposer recommends that this modification should be:
 - Subject to self-governance
 - Workgroup assessment to develop the modification for 6 months