

Question 29: Are there any other issues with shared assets that need to be considered?

The report (Offshore Transmission Coordination Project Conclusions Report) touched on the issue of standardisation of components but there was little mention of standardisation of cables and cable repair assets. With the current regime of radial connections, bespoke designs and individual OFTOs there is a risk that cable standards will be different requiring a separate cable spares holding and possibly separate repair assets for each connection.

There will be a considerable overall savings if OFTOs can share cable spares and set up (or charter) a single cable repair support service.

In any future development of network co-ordination policy I suggest that this is evaluated.

Regards

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