

In response to this consultation please find detailed below our response in relation to your questions.

- 1) We would not know the value of this work. In reality there are very few projects in our experience that get any sort of part funded works. It seems always to be a struggle to get any sort of cost sharing from the DNO's. Any transparency in this area would be welcome.
- 2) Not sure if it is necessary to increase contestable work, just make the issue transparent.
- 3) Option for calculation should be as per 17 (i) so that a competitive price comparison can be made.
- 4) No idea how it would work. From a developers perspective they do not want to fund the gap while the ICP waits for payment. How will the developer know that the ICP is receiving part funded monies?
- 5) Who does the work should be immaterial. It should be a question of who can deliver what the client needs at the right time and the right price.
- 6) Margin OK on the actual price the client pays.
- 7) There should not be a margin on the part funded element.
- 8) I expect so, but no comment
- 9) I can't think of a scenario where the iDNO could get the benefit of the part funded network but I expect there will be.
- 10) No idea
- 11) No comment
- 12) Difficult, timing is normally the problem here.

Sorry some of the comments are a bit brief. My observation on all this is that getting part funded work can be difficult. Asking for part funded work is always a time consuming issue. I think there needs to be some investigations with this on the whole reinforcement issue and also the 2nd comer rule. We have projects where previous reinforcement work is charged on a KVA basis but no evidence is generally forthcoming of the works this relates to. Also we have has ICP's not charging for previous reinforcement/part funded work but the DNO has. There does not seem to be any asset register kept on any of this. I may be getting lots of issues mixed up here but I think they are all interlinked and need a thorough review.

Also how does it all get reconciled at the end of the day between the DNO's and Ofgem in the price control reviews?

Happy to discuss further.

Regards

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