

09.30	Registration: Park Plaza, Cardiff
10.00	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ofgem - Andy Burgess, Associate Partner, Transmission and Distribution Policy
	Distribution Network Operators (DNO): Progress over the past year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ENA – Paul Jewell, Policy Manager, Western Power Distribution • Western Power Distribution - Robert Symons, Chief Executive • ScottishPower Energy Networks – Paul Brown, Network Connections Director
	DG Customers: Experiences in getting connected to the network <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regen SW – Merlin Hyman, Chief Executive
11.30	Break
12.00	Panel discussion and audience Q & A
13.00	Lunch and Networking
13.45 (X2)	National Grid National Grid will outline their role in enabling DG customers to connect to the network. They will also outline the results of a recent modification to the licence conditions regarding user commitment charges for embedded generation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Grid - Steve Thompson
	Low carbon and Innovative Solutions The Low Carbon Network Fund has successfully identified a number of innovative solutions to enabling connections to smarter grids. This session will look at a number of these specific projects and will include how the DNOs share the learning from them and how these initiatives could become business as usual to meet the objectives of reducing the lead time and cost for connection. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UK Power Networks - Sotiris Georgiopoulos • Scottish Power – Martin Hill • Western Power Distribution – Jonathan Berry
	Application process Following last year’s DG Forum events, the DNOs agreed to identify ways to improve the application and connections process. This session will outline how the application process works including improvements that have been made. There will also be the opportunity to ask questions regarding the application process in general and what further improvements could be made. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Western Power Distribution - Ivor Rogers
	Charging Last year’s events highlighted the need for DNOs to provide more transparency in charging to allow the DG customer to understand the differences in figures quoted and role of carrying out reinforcement works. DNOs were also asked to clearly signpost competitive alternatives. This session will allow Ofgem to outline the principles that apply to charging for connections. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ofgem – James Veaney
15.20	Tea
15.35	Round up and next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ofgem – James Veaney, Head of Distribution Policy
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