

**Content of email received by Sustainable Energy Policy, Ofgem from Susan Peever, National Grid, 17 January 2014**

Please accept this email as National Grids response to the EDR Consultation, closing date 17 January 2014.

Response to the four questions on the changes:

1. Do you agree that the requirement for public presentation of the results of the executive-level annual statement should be removed from the 2013/14 scheme year onwards? **YES**
2. Have you any comments on the revised descriptors of company performance in the EDR Scheme? **No comment and agree with revised descriptions**
3. Is the proposed adjustment to category weightings appropriate? **YES**
4. Have you any comments on the modifications to Category 4 (innovation)? **NO and agree with revised changes**

See below for comments on the draft scoring spreadsheet.

We want to reiterate that for category 3 detailed below, Ngrid is not able to meet this part of the incentive evidence specifically detailing low carbon connections in team structure titles or in teams objectives, this is because we can not been seen to be showing preferential treatment to a particular type of connection. All of our staff have targets to deliver excellent customer service to their portfolio of customers - one (big) aspect of this is to facilitate all generation connection projects, and subset of these projects happen to be low carbon. We can not discriminate by giving our people targets to facilitate 'low carbon' projects vs thermal plant for example, but we can describe what we do to facilitate all connections. If this evidence would not suffice we suggest for the category to be removed or rephrased.

**Category 3: approach taken to connections for low carbon generators**

Sub-category 3 (i) Development of a robust approach to connections for low carbon generation that responds to technical challenges and manages their activities in a way that informs future improved performance.

- a) Moderate level of resource. (Evidence should be provided of one or members of staff having a specific objective to develop a robust approach to connections for low carbon generation)  
(1 point)
- b) Significant resource. (Evidence should be provided of a team having a specific objective to develop a robust approach to connections for low carbon generation)  
(2 points)
- c) Extensive resource (money and people) is combined with effective application. (Evidence should be provided of a senior manager with responsibility for delivering a robust approach to connections for low carbon generation, resourcing effectively to ensure that performance is effectively measured and monitored and that adjustments to business practices are implemented swiftly and effectively eg through retraining staff, investing in new equipment or commissioning further research)  
(3 points)

Kind regards  
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