

Open letter consultation on the Incentive on Connections Engagement:
Looking Forward reports 2015/16

Response received by email dated 4 August 2015 from TUSC re UK Powernetworks

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Please find our response to UK Power Networks submission:

Q1

The chart on the bottom of page 6 of UK Power Networks report is impressive in that it shows that UK Power Networks has made a real effort to identify not only connection stakeholders but all interested parties. This is a very solid foundation on which to engage with connections stakeholders. Its strategy for engaging with the stakeholders it has identified continues to improve. In terms of facilitating joint discussions it is very easy to do this with UKPN either on a one-to-one basis or via the numerous workshops and forums that UKPN holds. The only minor criticism we have is that occasionally not enough time is allowed for joint discussions to proceed to a natural conclusion and they are therefore sometimes rushed.

Q2

We agree that UKPN has a comprehensive work plan of activities. UKPN continues to be the fastest improving DNO in terms of connections engagement in our opinion.

Q3

We believe from the track record of the last 12 months, that UKPN will meet their stated delivery dates for all its relevant outputs

Q4

Yes. UKPN has clearly taken on board what a very broad range of stakeholders has been informing them. In terms of endorsements we believe that the two stage process, separating out facilitated sessions from individual interfaces is a good idea, however, as regards the individual responses, the total number of 63 seems low and we cannot tell what percentage of return these responses are based on the number of individual stakeholders contacted.

Kind regards

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