Competition in Connections Code of Practice
Modification Proposal Form

This form is issued in accordance with Clause 8.1 of the Competition in Connections (CiC) Code of Practice.
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Date of Submission	1 December 2015
Proposer Details	
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Modification Proposal Details	
Mod Proposal Title	CiC Code of Practice Reporting Requirements
Impacted Parties	ICPs/IDNOs/DNOs/DG and other parties
Related Mod Proposals	N / A
Modification Proposal Intent	
Please indicate the intention behind the modification to the CiC Code of Practice.	
The intent of this Modification Proposal is to develop details of the reporting requirements in section 9 of the July 2015 version of the CIC Code of Practice.	

CiC Code of Practice Objectives
Modification proposals must be assessed against the relevant objectives, which have been set out by Ofgem and which are included in the CiC Code of Practice.
Please tick the box(es) which you believe your proposal better facilitates.

☒Facilitate competition in the market for new electricity distribution connections through:

   ☐ Minimising, to the fullest extent reasonably practicable, the number and scope of Input Services which are only available to the DNO;

   ☐ providing Input Services on an equivalent basis to all Connection Parties that operate in the Local Connections Markets; and

   ☒ harmonising, to the fullest extent reasonably practicable, the Input Services provided by Distribution Service Providers.

☒ Not to distort, prevent or restrict competition in the market for new electricity distribution connections.

☐ Facilitate compliance with the regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.

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Rationale for modification proposal

Please indicate the reasons why the modification better achieves the objectives set out in the CiC Code of Practice, and why you have selected the particular relevant objectives and not others.

The purpose of this modification is to introduce to the Code a common template for DNOs to use to meet their obligations to publish an annual report by the end of September each year to demonstrate their compliance with the CiC Code of Practice.

The template contains criteria that each DNO must report against and the format of the information to be provided.

A common template will allow stakeholders to more easily identify how DNOs comply and be able to compare approaches. Greater visibility will help to not to restrict, prevent or distort competition in the electricity distribution connections market.

Proposed Solution and Draft Legal Text

Please indicate the proposed change to the text as is current in the CiC Code of Practice. This is to provide an indication of the proposed changes to the text and can be refined as part of the working group process.

9. Reporting Requirements

9.1. Each DNO shall publish an annual report by the end of September each year to demonstrate their compliance with this code of practice. This report shall include reporting on the volume of inspections by the DNO on connections completed by all parties (including the DNO's own business or affiliates and competitors).

9.2. The report will include such detail on processes and procedures and available metrics to demonstrate the DNO is providing the equivalent level of service to independents as to them undertaking connection activities themselves for each of the Input Services. *A common template for reporting is included as Appendix 2.*

9.3. The detail of the reporting requirements will be developed in conjunction with stakeholders and approved by Ofgem. These details shall be finalised by 15 January 2016 and if appropriate a modification raised. If a modification is not deemed appropriate the DNO shall, in co-operation with the other DNOs, provide an explanation to Ofgem.

See also separate draft template.

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Business Justification and Market Benefits

Please indicate how you believe the modification will be beneficial for competition in the electricity distribution connections market.

A common template will make is easier for stakeholders to more readily access the information on how each DNO complies with its obligations under the Code Of Practice.

Proposed Implementation Date

The date on which you would like the modification to take effect.

By 30 April 2016

Relation to other industry modifications

Please indicate if this modification has any interaction with any other modifications that have been submitted to the CiC Panel.

001 - Self Determination of PoC by ICPs
002 - Self-Design Approval Processes
Both these modifications propose tables that may need to be incorporated into the reporting requirements.

Consideration of Wider Industry Impacts

Please indicate whether the modification proposal would affect any other industry codes (DCUSA, etc.)

None

Confidentiality

Please indicate any aspect of the modification proposal should remain confidential. Justify your reasons why in terms of the commercial detriment publication would cause.

None

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