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Jody
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Complained about the conditionality and asked UR to make a decision on it.

UR found that nie breached 3 licence condition

- time line for connecting
- timetable
- cost of reinforcement
- 90 days

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There was capacity on the line in the McCaughern Maybe as a matter of principle

NIE has a duty offer connections

Two reasons not to connect

- Health and Safety
- No capacity

****message to put out - significant increase in renewables

CC decision on 33kV and nie request to spend £30m was turned down - UR to work with nie to identify within Price Control how to move money - ie distribution load £23m already allocated according to nie

Who is going to pay?

Current socs allows nie to provide reinforcement and no more, developer may want to pay

Update socs if the developer wants to pay for it

Socs approved by UR, they approve the mechanism but not the costs.

Route 1 - short term System of Charges change early 2015 and possible consultation.

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Route 2 - medium term solution is Project 40. There would be a trial

Possibility to go beyond what the CC has determined CC Flex within 50/50 sharing mechanism <90m 10 saving, nie get 5 and customer gets 5 UR will monitor this
>100 - ie 110 - 5 from nie and 5 from the customer

*****Queue management

Still have their position and no worse than they were last week

*****Ask NIE to provide clarity and provide definitive timelines and this is an improvement to the current relationship *****improvement in customer relationship between farmer and NIE

What happens if a dispute is raised?

- no capacity or health and safety - UR tell the applicant to withdraw

Colin - it's a design issue for nie and a legal duty to develop the network Demand sub stations -

GH - Misled by other agencies.

GH - Shaving and weak 11kV connections

Solar - increase in use is taking demand off the system (Albert)

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NIE meeting with UR on 13th August

NIE sending out letter to all affected

UFU working with NIE to ensure that processes have to be improved

*****Ask NIE to provide clarity and provide definitive timelines and this is an improvement to the current relationship

*****Good news or bad news - but this will create certainty***** *****improvement in customer relationship between farmer and NIE

*****Key message - Still have their position in the queue and no worse than they were last week

Advice on whether or not to contact the regulator - highlight the two options

If complaints increase it would hold up resources which could have been used elsewhere

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