

# **Open Networks Project (W2:P2)**

## Queue Management User Guide

Implementation plan for the published Queue Management process

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### Introduction

The Open Networks Project is a major industry initiative that will transform the way our energy networks operate, underpinning the delivery of the smart grid. The project looks to change how the networks operate to facilitate the transition to a smart, flexible energy system. A key objective is to bring consistency in approaches across networks through existing and new processes to support the transition to Distribution System Operations, interactions with each other and interactions with customers. Open Networks is being delivered through a number of Workstreams and Products.

The Queue Management (QM) User Guide<sup>1</sup> builds on the conclusions from previous consultations by laying out the processes to be followed including the interactions with projects that are contracted to connect to distribution and transmission networks and network companies.

### Coronavirus

At time of writing the UK is dealing with resourcing and process challenges of the Coronavirus pandemic and all dates are subject to the resolution of normal BAU in time to deliver the new and updated processes and systems.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>https://www.energynetworks.org/assets/images/ON20-WS2-P2%20Queue%20Management%20User%20Guide-</u> <u>PUBLISHED.23.12.20.pdf</u>



## **Implementation Plan**

The table below indicates the key dates to enable stakeholders to be briefed and the QM process to be implemented. Stakeholder engagement activities are italicised.

Date	Action
February 2021	Open Letter published
May 2021	ENA Webinar to brief stakeholders on the QM Implementation Process
June 2021	Network companies make the internal process and system changes necessary to facilitate the implementation dates.
June 2021	Individual network companies to brief their own stakeholders.
July 2021	Distribution companies to apply the revised QM process to all new and modified connection applications received on or after this date.
July 2021	Transmission companies will introduce the revised QM process to all new and modified applications received on or after this date.
July 2021	In parallel with the introduction of the QM process into BCA's a Connection and Use of System Code (CUSC) modification will be initiated.
July – Sept 2021	Identify any further steps needed for improvement



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