



NATIONAL GAS TRANSMISSION

REVIEW OF THE STATEMENT OF GAS TRANSMISSION CONNECTION CHARGING

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1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This document is being issued by National Gas Transmission plc ("**National Gas**") in its role as holder of the Gas Transporter Licence (the "**Licence**") in respect of the National Transmission System NTS.

This document sets out for discussion National Gas's proposal for updating The Statement for Gas Transmission Connection Charging, (the "**Charging Statement**") including PARCA and CAM incremental fees.

This informal consultation document is being issued to industry to obtain views and comments in respect of our proposals.

Please complete and submit any responses using the response proforma document (*Appendix 2*) no later than 17:00 hrs on 3 November 2026, to Lisa Dyte, Gas Connections Manager by email to Box.UKT.customerlifecycle@nationalgas.com. We welcome any responses ahead of this date.

If you would like to discuss this informal consultation, please contact Lisa Dyte directly using the email address Lisa.Dyte1@nationalgas.com.

Information arising from the consultation may be shared with Ofgem and aggregated feedback may be shared at the Transmission Workgroup as appropriate.

2.0 GOVERNANCE FOR UPDATING THE STATEMENT OF GAS TRANSMISSION CONNECTION CHARGING

Updates and any amendments to the Statement of Gas Transmission Connection Charging are consistent with the Connection Charging Methodology (UNC TPD Y) and UNC Application to Offer process (A20) (UNC TPD V).

3.0 OVERVIEW OF THE CURRENT APPLICATION FEE STRUCTURE

Current Connection Application Structure and Fees:

3.1 CURRENT PARCA Application Fee

Capacity Indicator/Fee Type	Timescales to provide the PARCA and Phase 1 PARCA Works Report	PARCA Application Fee
Simple – Admin Fee - Applicable to a Green Capacity Indicator where only unsold capacity is required at an existing site	Up to 4 months	£2,000
Simple – Applicable to a Green or Amber Capacity Indicator	Up to 4 months	£53,000
Complex – Applicable to a Red Capacity Indicator	Up to 6 months	£120,000
Top Up – Applicable if Simple Fee is paid initially and this changes to a Complex Fee in accordance with UNC	Up to 6 months	£67,000

3.2 CURRENT PARCA Variation (Application) Fee

Capacity Indicator/Fee Type	Timescale	PARCA Variation Fee
Simple – Variation Admin Fee for requests to vary Registration Date back to a later date.	Up to 4 months*	£950
Simple – Variation Fee for requests to vary registration date forward to an earlier date, location and/or capacity quantity	Up to 4 months	£6,720

*likely to be within 1-2 months for this type but may depend upon when submitted.

3.3. CURRENT CAM Incremental Application Fee

Output of Application	CAM Incremental Application Fee
Demand Assessment Report, Incremental Project initiated and positive economic test.	£120,000

3.4 CURRENT Initial Connection Offer Application Fees

Connection Criteria	Timescales to provide an Initial Connection Offer	Application for any category of new or existing NTS Connection		
		Entry	Exit	Storage
Simple	Up to 2 months	£14,000		
Medium				
Complex				

3.5 CURRENT Connections Offer Application Fees

Category	Timescales to provide a Full Connection Offer	Type of Connection		+Ramp Rate Study Application Fee
		Exit	Entry & Storage	
Standard Design (Fixed fee)	Up to 3 months	£13,300	£13,300 #	
Standard Design Feasibility Study (additional fee)	Additional 3 months	£14,000	£14,000	£42,000
Simple (greenfield) Connection	Up to 6 months	£45,000*	£45,000* #	
Medium Connection	Up to 9 months	£75,000**	£75,000** #	
			£109,000**	
Complex Connection	Up to 9 months	£406,000**	£406,000**	
Minor Modifications	Up to 6 months	£30,000*	£30,000*	
Disconnection	Up to 6 months	£70,000**	£70,000**	
Decommissioning	Up to 9 months	£153,000**	£153,000**	
* Feasibility Studies are not required for this category type ** A Feasibility Study, Ramp Rate Study, transient analysis, or all three may be undertaken depending on the customer requirements for this category type. Where a Ramp Rate Study is required the Application Fee for a Ramp Rate Study will be added. # Where 20D gas quality monitoring is not required - Customers can potentially avoid the requirement to install NTS gas quality monitoring equipment 20 diameter lengths either side of the connection by providing their own monitoring equipment and process for ensuring non GSMR compliant gas does not enter the NTS to the satisfaction of National Gas, to be assessed on a case-by-case basis and appropriate for low volumes.				

3.6 CURRENT Contract Novation Application Fees

Output of Application	Timescale	Contract Novation Application Fee
Contract Novation	Up to 2 months	£950

3.7 CURRENT Contract Amendment & Restatement Application Fee

Output of Application	Timescale	Contract Amendment & Restatement Application Fee
Contract Amendment & Restatement	Up to 3 months	£1,950

3.8 CURRENT Contract Accession Application Fee

Output of Application	Timescale	Contract Accession Application Fee
Contract Accession	Up to 2 months	£950

4.0 BACKGROUND

The Statement of Gas Transmission Connection Charges was last reviewed and updated with effect from 17th February 2025. Under the requirements of UNC this is reviewed at least annually. This informal consultation follows our annual review of connection application fees and other services.

5.0 CHARGING STATEMENT PROPOSED CHANGES

5.1 PARCA Application Fees

The PARCA Application fees for Simple and Complex were last changed in October 2018. From a review done on PARCA reconciliation data, we have adjusted the PARCA Simple Admin fee in line with inflation; the PARCA Simple Fee has been lowered to be better aligned with expected Phase 1 costs, and the PARCA Complex fee remains the same.

5.2 PARCA Variation (Application) Fee

No change is proposed for the PARCA Variation (Application) Fee. From the applications received during the review period we believe there is no basis to revise this fee at this moment in time.

5.3 CAM Incremental Application Fee

No change is proposed for the CAM Incremental fees for Interconnection Points. We have not received any applications of this kind since this fee was introduced and therefore have no actual costs to assess. This fee remains aligned with the Complex PARCA fee.

5.4 Connection Offer Application Fees

The existing Connection Offer Application Fees have been reviewed against the actual costs incurred in delivering a connection offer. These fees were last reviewed and updated in January 2020. Since that time, underlying delivery costs have increased due to factors including inflation, changes in resourcing requirements, and the increased complexity of connection assessments. The fees will be updated to more accurately reflect current costs and, in some instances, will be increased to ensure cost reflectivity and the ongoing efficient delivery of connection offers.

5.5 Contract Novation Application Fee

The Contract Novation Application Fee was introduced as part of the 2024 Review. We have concluded that the Contract Novation Application Fees remain applicable and there is no requirement to revise the fee at this time.

5.6 Contract Amendment & Restatement Application Fee

The Contract Amendment & Restatement Fee was introduced as part of last year's Review. We have concluded that these fees remain applicable and there is no requirement to revise the fee at this time.

5.7 Contract Accession Application Fees

The existing Contract Accession Application fee has been reviewed and there is no requirement to adjust this figure at this time.

5.8 Modification Documentation and Certification Review

This charge has been introduced this year as the mechanism of using the Minor Modification application fee for certificate review and documentation checks following meter upgrades (as an example), is disproportionate. This figure has been based on a number of feedback and should no longer present itself as an obstacle to system upgrades.

5.9 Formatting and Consistency Changes

Various formatting changes, and changes in the interests of consistency and presentation, may have been made but have not been included in this consultation document.

All amendments are shown in the draft version 16.0 of the Statement for Gas Transmission Connection Charging that accompanies this consultation document. A summary is provided in section 6 below.

5.10 Total PARCA Security Amount

When the Total PARCA Security Amount was introduced by UNC Modification 0465V, it stated that “Security will be required to be put in place by the PARCA Applicant as a form of financial commitment for the reservation of capacity post PARCA Stage 1 up to the allocation of capacity”.

The solution proposed within UNC modification 0920 is to replace the calculation in TPD Y for PARCA Security Amount with an amount that is set and annually reviewed and consulted upon to allow more flexibility and keep relevance to market changes. The proposal was that this should be contained within this statement.

Further to Ofgem’s decision to approve the modification ([0920 Uniform Network Code \(UNC\) proposed changes | Ofgem](#)), in order to implement [UNC Modification 0920 PARCA Security Amount](#) an additional section has been added to the statement in Section 3 – Total PARCA Security Amount.

This modification introduces the requirement for the Total PARCA Security Amount to be published within the statement in accordance with UNC TPD Y 46. The tables within this new section show the 3 bands that PARCA Security Amounts will be based upon from the effective date of the statement.

For further information on this modification please refer to the Modification details in the links provided above.

6.0 PROPOSED CHARGING STRUCTURE/FEES SUMMARY

In summary the proposed revised structure of fees in full is as follows:

6.1 PROPOSED PARCA Application Fee

Capacity Indicator/Fee Type	Timescales to provide the PARCA and Phase 1 PARCA Works Report	PARCA Application Fee
Simple – Admin Fee - Applicable to a Green Capacity Indicator where only unsold capacity is required at an existing site	Up to 4 months	£2,740
Simple – Applicable to a Green or Amber Capacity Indicator	Up to 4 months	£40,000
Complex – Applicable to a Red Capacity Indicator	Up to 6 months	£120,000
Top Up – Applicable if Simple Fee is paid initially and this changes to a Complex Fee in accordance with UNC	Up to 6 months	£80,000

6.2 PROPOSED PARCA Variation Application Fee

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Simple – Variation Admin Fee for requests to vary Registration Date back to a later date.	Up to 4 months*	£950
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6.4 PROPOSED Initial Connection Offer Application Fees

Connection Criteria	Timescales to provide an Initial Connection Offer	Application for any category of new or existing NTS Connection		
		Entry	Exit	Storage
Simple	Up to 2 months	£19,180		
Medium				
Complex				

6.5 PROPOSED Connections Offer Application Fees

Category	Timescales to provide a Full Connection Offer	Type of Connection		+ Ramp Rate Study Application Fee
		Exit	Entry & Storage	
Standard Design (Fixed fee)	Up to 3 months	£18,200	£18,200	
Standard Design Feasibility Study (additional fee)	Additional 3 months	£19,180	£19,180	£42,000
Simple (greenfield) Connection	Up to 6 months	£60,000*	£60,000* #	
Medium Connection	Up to 9 months	£90,000**	£90,000** #	
			£109,000**	
Complex Connection	Up to 9 months	£406,000**	£406,000**	
Minor Modifications	Up to 6 months	£30,000*	£30,000*	
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Output of Application	Timescale	Contract Amendment & Restatement Application Fee
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6.8 Contract Accession Application Fee

Output of Application	Timescale	Contract Accession Application Fee
Contract Accession	Up to 2 months	£950

6.9 Modification Documentation and Certification Review (Fixed Fee)

Output of Application	Timescale	Contract Accession Application Fee
Modification Documentation and Certification Review (Fixed Fee)	Up to 6 months	£7,500

6.10 Total PARCA Security Amount – New section 3

These amounts were approved by UNC Modification 0920

1. PSA1: Non-Physical works

Banding	Security Amount (£)	Based on
PSA1: Solution is met by substitution existing unsold Capacity from another NTS Entry/Exit point or utilizing existing unsold capacity (at the same point)	£40,000	An estimate of time for contract management relating to Termination of the PARCA based on the National Gas Transmission staff fully absorbed cost charge rates.

2. PSA2: Construction Works – Shallow

Banding	Security Amount (£)	Based on/Activities
PSA2: National Gas Transmission shall apply this band where the option(s) from the Phase 1 PARCA Works Report that may be adopted required the provision of Construction Works that do not require either (i) any new pipeline to be laid (aside from at the existing NTS site); or (ii) constitute a nationally significant infrastructure project under the Planning Act 2008 or the equivalent planning process in either Wales or Scotland. This means the solution requires construction works to reinforce the network with: • Re-enforcemet to existing NTS assets • No Development Consent Order (DCO) • No land compulsory Purchase Orders (CPO)	£5,000,000	Historical cost data in relation to any NTS projects that include activities completed relating to Phase 2 PARCA Activities; and Estimated data for the costs of projects that are described in above which has not been completed; Including: • Strategic optioneering • Detailed Design • Planning Consents/Land • Project Development including required studies. Project Management

3. PSA3: Construction Works – Deep

Banding	Security Amount	Based on / Activities
PSA3: National Gas Transmission shall apply this band where the option (s) from the Phase 1 PARCA Works Report that may be adopted requires the provision of the Construction Works that require either (i) any new pipeline to be laid (aside from an existing NTS site); or (ii) constitute a nationally significant infrastructure project under the Planning Action 2008 or the equivalent planning process in either Wales or Scotland. This means the solution requires construction works to reinforce the network including one or more of: • Re-enforcement of NTS including new pipeline • Development Consent Order (DCO) is required • Compulsory Purchase Order (CPO)	£20,000.00	Historical cost data in relation to any NTS projects that include activities completed relating to Phase 2 PARCA Activities; and Estimated data for the costs for projects that are described in above which has not been completed including: • Strategic optioneering • Detailed Design • Planning consents/Land • Project development including required studies • Project Management

7.0 **IMPLEMENTATION TIMESCALES**

The estimated timeline for implementation of the proposed updates to the charging statement is:-

Activity	Date / Duration
Issue Informal Consultation Document	6th October 2026
Informal Consultation Period	28 days
Informal Consultation Closed	3rd November 2026
Response Review Period	c. up to 2 weeks
Notice of change issued	c. 18th November 2026
Updated 'Statement effective from	c. 1 st December 2026

APPENDICES

- 1.0 Draft Document – The Statement for Gas Transmission Connection Charging Rev 16.0
- 2.0 Response Proforma