

Form A – IGG Design Discussion Request

Discussion Request Number	Title	Priority
DR 0122	Decouple Connection Agreement requirement from Change of Supplier where MIC >= 100kVA and there is no Change of Legal Entity	High

Name of Requesting Organisation	Retail Market Design Service
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Date Request sent to RMDS	

Detail of Discussion Request

This Discussion Request has been raised to discuss the required changes to support the removal of the linkage between the Change of Supplier and Connection Agreements as required by CER decision CER06143 (see link below).

<http://www.cer.ie/CERDocs/cer06143.pdf>

Background:

As part of the CER decision, ESB Networks are required to remove the existing market rule whereby a Change of Supplier for a site with an MIC >= 100kVA with no Change of Legal Entity would require a signed Connection Agreement from the customer before the Change of Supplier process could complete. In future, the number of sites with an MIC >= 100kVA where there is no signed Connection Agreement and there is no Change of Legal entity should be very small as ESB Networks will be updating 1,100 sites that currently do not have a Connection Agreement, as per this decision.

The Commission have stated emphatically that the existing market rule remains whereby a Change of Supplier accompanied by a Change of Legal Entity for a site with an MIC >= 100kVA triggers a requirement for a new signed Connection Agreement from the customer before Change of Supplier completes.

Proposed Change

Remove the specific validation from the Change of Supplier processes (MPD1 and MPD2) viz:

The MIC is equal to or exceeds 100 kVA and there is a change of customer name or registered company number. In this case the DSO must confirm the existence of a signed Connection Agreement before the registration is accepted

Reason for Discussion Request

CER Decision

Market Design Documents impacted by Request

Retail Market Design 5.1:

MPD1 – NQH CoS

Detail of Discussion Request	
MPD2 – QH CoS <i>There will be no message changes</i>	
Date of IGG where discussed	
Change Request xref (if applicable)	

PART 2 MARKET ASSURANCE:				
Applicability				
ESB Networks	Suppliers	TSO	SSA	Generators
X	X			
Scope of Test				
Connectivity	DTT	MSA	IPT	Other
			No. Of Scenarios	

Scope of Discussion Request							
Correction to Documentation	Business Process	Market & MP Systems	MPCC	Readings Processor	Market Gateway	Schema	Web Forms
X	X	X					