UPDATED LDZ SYSTEM CHARGE FUNCTIONS FOLLOWING DNPC07 AND DNPC08 DECISIONS BY OFGEM

Following the decisions by Ofgem to veto the DNPC07 proposals to move to a 100/0 Capacity/Commodity split and not to veto the DNPC08 proposals to base the LDZ system functions on individual Network costs, the DNs have created revised LDZ System charge functions which are consistent with the DNPC08 methodology changes and reflect the continuing 95%/5% capacity/commodity target split for the LDZ System charges.

The forms of the charging functions shown in Table 1 and graphically in Figure 1 are derived using the same data and methodology as for the capacity-only functions shown in the DNPC08 Final Proposals¹ but applied to capacity and commodity and scaled to equivalent 95% and 5% target revenue respectively.

The level of the charging functions shown is consistent with the capacity-only functions shown in the DNPC08 Final Proposals and is NOT indicative of the level of the charges from April 2012. However, it is expected that the LDZ System charges from April 2012 will be determined by scaling of the charging functions shown here by a single multiplicative factor for each DN.

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¹ The National Grid illustrative functions shown in DNPC08 were based on an attribution of capacity-related costs only (approximately 98% of total costs) across the system tiers. The revised charges have been based on an attribution of all costs so leading to a slight change of function form for the capacity charge from that shown in DNPC08.

Table 1. Updated LDZ System Charge Functions following DNPC07 and DNPC08 Decisions

Capacity Functions

East of England (National Grid)

Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/Peak Day kWh/a)
0-73,200	0.1324
73,201 - 732,000	0.1056
> 732,000	0.6749*SOQ^-0.2155

London (National Grid)

Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/Peak Day kWh/a)
0-73,200	0.1322
73,201 - 732,000	0.1178
> 732,000	0.7527*SOQ^-0.2133

Scotland (Scotia Gas Networks)

Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/Peak Day kWh/a)
0-73,200	0.1385
73,201 - 732,000	0.1247
> 732,000	0.8051*SOQ^-0.2338

Northern England (Northern Gas Networks)

Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/Peak Day kWh/a)
0-73,200	0.1476
73,201 - 732,000	0.1269
> 732,000	1.4880*SOQ^-0.2834

North West (National Grid)

Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/Peak Day kWh/a)
0-73,200	0.1558
73,201 - 732,000	0.1297
> 732,000	1.0228*SOQ^-0.2483

West Midlands (National Grid)

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Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/Peak Day kWh/a)
0-73,200	0.1463
73,201 - 732,000	0.1317
> 732,000	1.6157*SOQ^-0.2817

Southern England (Scotia Gas Networks)

Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/Peak Day kWh/a)
0-73,200	0.1397
73,201 - 732,000	0.1109
> 732,000	1.4552*SOQ^-0.2970

Wales and West (Wales & West Utilities)

Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/Peak Day kWh/a)
0-73,200	0.1364
73,201 - 732,000	0.1184
> 732,000	1.0595*SOQ^-0.2513

Commodity Functions

East of England (National Grid)

Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/kWh/)
0-73,200	0.0200
73,201 - 732,000	0.0159
> 732,000	0.1259*SOQ^-0.2376

London (National Grid)

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Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/kWh/)
0-73,200	0.0219
73,201 - 732,000	0.0195
> 732,000	0.1261*SOQ^-0.2147

Scotland (Scotia Gas Networks)

Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/kWh/)
0-73,200	0.0180
73,201 - 732,000	0.0162
> 732,000	0.1325*SOQ^2597

Northern England (Northern Gas Networks)

Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/kWh/)
0-73,200	0.0232
73,201 - 732,000	0.0199
> 732,000	0.2559*SOQ^-0.2940

North West (National Grid)

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Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/kWh/)
0-73,200	0.0210
73,201 - 732,000	0.0175
> 732,000	0.1515*SOQ^-0.2586

West Midlands (National Grid)

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Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/kWh/)
0-73,200	0.0251
73,201 - 732,000	0.0225
> 732,000	0.3012*SOQ^-0.2911

Southern England (Scotia Gas Networks)

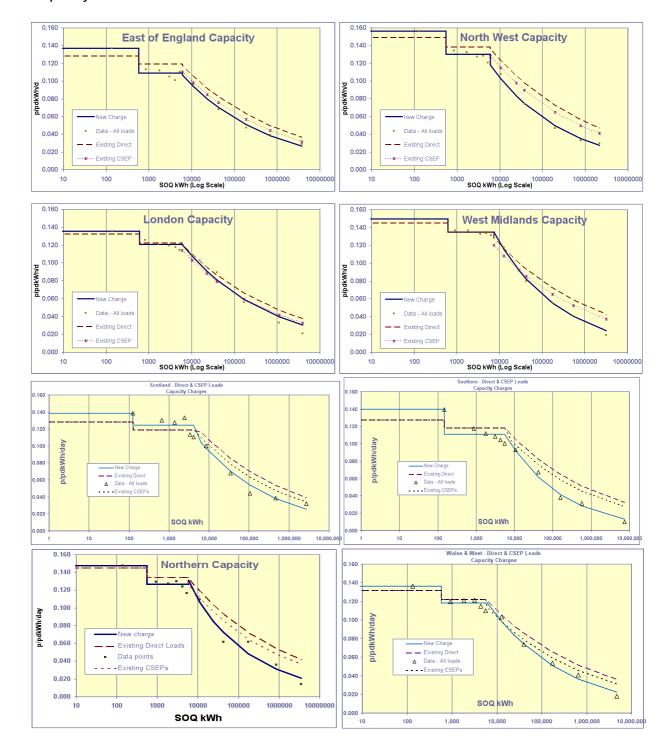
Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/kWh/)
0-73,200	0.0234
73,201 - 732,000	0.0183
> 732,000	0.2787*SOQ^-0.3129

Wales and West (Wales & West Utilities)

Charge band (kWh/a)	Unit rate (p/kWh/)
0-73,200	0.0211
73,201 - 732,000	0.0183
> 732,000	0.2134*SOQ^-0.2775

Figure 1 Comparison of Updated LDZ System Functions and April 2010 Functions

Capacity Functions



Commodity Functions

