# nationalgrid

# **Grid Code - Voting and Alternatives Presentation**







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# **Workgroup Consultations**

- The Workgroup may consult on the Modification Proposal and, if applicable, on any draft Workgroup Alternative Grid Code Modification(s) with:
  - Users; and
  - such other persons who may properly be considered to have an appropriate interest in it.
- Workgroup Consultation paper will include:
  - Issues which arose in the Workgroup discussions
  - Details of any draft Workgroup Alternative Grid Code Modification(s)
  - The date proposed by the Code Administrator as the Proposed Implementation Date.

#### **Responding to Consultations - Alternatives**

- Parties who can raise a Workgroup Consultation Alternative Request in response to the Workgroup Consultation are:
  - Any Authorised Electricity Operator
  - Citizens Advice or the Citizens Advice Scotland
  - NGET
  - or a Materially Affected Party in response to the Workgroup Consultation.
- Workgroup Consultation Alternative Request becomes a Workgroup Alternative Grid Code Modification(s) if it meets the following criteria:
  - a majority of the members of the Workgroup or the chairman of the Workgroup believes that it will better facilitate the Grid Code Objectives than the current version of the Grid Code,
  - or where the chairman of the Workgroup agrees to amalgamate it with one or more other draft Alternatives or Workgroup Consultation Alternative Requests

# **Raising Alternatives**

- Workgroup Alternative Grid Code Modification(s) is an alternative modification to the Grid Code Modification Proposal developed by the Workgroup and which is believed by the majority of the members of the Workgroup or by the chairman of the Workgroup to better facilitate the Grid Code Objectives than the Grid Code Modification Proposal or the current version of the Grid Code
- Workgroup members should be mindful of efficiency and propose the fewest number of Alternative's as possible.
- It was agreed by the GCRP that the Proposer for an Alternative Grid Code Modification(s) will need to have completed the standard industry template (which is used when raising a new modification)

# **Workgroup Vote**

- A vote is to take place by all eligible Workgroup members on the Modification Proposal and each Alternative proposal based on their assessment of the Proposal(s) against the Grid Code objectives when compared against the current Grid Code baseline.
  - Do you support the Original or any of the alternative Proposals?
  - Which of the Proposals best facilitates the Grid Code Objectives?
- Workgroup members or their appointed alternate are required to attend a minimum of 50% of the Workgroup meetings to be eligible to participate in the Workgroup vote.
- The Workgroup chairman shall not have a vote, casting or otherwise.
- It is expected that Workgroup members would only abstain from voting under limited circumstances, where a member has such concerns, they should raise these with the Workgroup chairman at the earliest possible opportunity.
- The results from the vote and the reasons for such voting shall be recorded in the Workgroup report in as much detail as practicable.

# **Closing the Workgroup phase**

- The Workgroup chairperson shall prepare a report to the GCRP responding to the matters detailed in the Terms of Reference in accordance with the timetable
  - If a Workgroup is unable to reach agreement on any such matter, the report must reflect the views of the members of the Workgroup
- The chairperson or another member (nominated by the chairperson) of the Workgroup shall attend the next GCRP following delivery of the Report and invited to present the findings and/or answer the questions
- GCRP to consider the Report to decide whether to send back to the Workgroup or send on to Code Administrator Consultation (at which point the Workgroup is closed).