System Operation Guideline (SOGL)

Frequency Control webinar Q&A

We held our second "Day in the Life of SOGL" webinar on 17th May 2018, exploring the Frequency Control elements of the SOGL guideline.

You can view the slides and watch the webinar <u>here</u>. We received some useful questions from attendees.

With regards to the SOGL prequalification process, will every existing reserve provider need to register and run through a SOGL prequalification process?

SOGL requires all providers of reserves to have been prequalified against the minimum technical requirements for each of the three EU reserve categories. We believe that this can be achieved with the minimum amount of disruption to existing providers. We will map existing Balancing Mechanism and Ancillary Services reserve services to SOGL, where appropriate to do so, so that individual prequalification processes meet the requirements from SOGL. Not all GB balancing services will be mapped to EU reserve categories. We have raised Grid Code Modification GC0114 to explore the issues around prequalification, please see the box on the right.

If GB compliance with SOGL for all GB reserve providers is being resolved by GC0114, how can those reserve providers which do not have a voice at the Grid Code Panel get involved to make their voice heard?

The Grid Code Modification GC0114 workgroup is being set up now, so please get involved. You can join the workgroup by contacting the Code Administrator using the details in the box on the right or you can follow progress of the Workgroup by joining the Code Administrator's Grid Code mailing list. You don't have to be a member of the Workgroup to respond to the consultations, please sign up to the Grid Code mailing list to receive invitations to respond to the consultations direct to your inbox.

How do I learn more about SOGL?

We are running a series of webinars to demystify SOGL. If you missed our first two webinars, you can view the slides or watch the webinar on our website at the links below.

Day in the Life of SOGL Introduction:

https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity/codes/european-network-codes/meetings/day-life-sogl-series-introduction

Frequency Control: https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity/codes/european-network-codes/meetings/day-life-sogl-series-frequency-control

To sign up to our webinars on <u>Operational Planning (Part 1)</u>, <u>Operational Security</u> or <u>Operational Planning (Part 2)</u>, please click on the links.

What is SOGL?

The System Operation Guideline (SOGL) is one of the European Network Codes. It sets minimum system security, operational planning and frequency management standards to ensure safe and coordinated system operation across Europe, creating a standardised framework on which regional cooperation including balancing markets can be implemented.

What is Grid Code Modification GC0114?

National Grid raised GC0114 to implement the System Operation Guideline Prequalification Processes into the Grid Code. Full details of the modification can be found on the webpage below:

https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/electricity/cod es/grid-code/modifications/system-operationguideline-prequalification-processes

How do I get involved?

To join the Grid Code workgroup, please contact the Code Administrator by email at grid.code@nationalgrid.com. The first workgroup meeting will be held on 6th June 2018, so please get in touch by midday on 4th June.

Want to know more?

If you have any questions on Frequency Control or other matters related to SOGL implementation, please contact europeancodes.electricity@nationalgrid.com.