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C16 Statement Consultation 2019-20

Dear Industry Colleagues,

On the 1st April National Grid ESO (NGESO) will publish the revised and amended statements as detailed in section C16 of its licence. Following feedback from the Authority NGESO will re-publish the 2019/20 version of the Procurement Guidelines and conduct a further consultation on additional proposed amendments made to this statement.

NGESO would like to thank everyone who participated in the consultation process; your thoughts, feedback & ideas continue to be extremely valuable in shaping these statements.

The final stage of the consultation process requires NGESO to consult with Ofgem on the process carried out and the changes made to the statements. Following this we are in a position to release the refreshed versions of the following statements:

- Balancing Principle Statement
- Applicable Balancing Service Volume Data
- System Methodology Action Flagging
- Balancing Service Adjustment Data

During consultation with Ofgem some further necessary changes to the Procurement Guidelines were identified. To best facilitate this and provide transparency to the market NGESO has withdrawn the Procurement Guideline submission and will now run a further consultation to ensure market participants are aware of the new proposed changes and have an opportunity to provide feedback.

The consultation will follow this process:

Date	Activity
6 th April 2020	National Grid ESO issue consultation documents and open industry consultation
4 th May 2020	Industry consultation closes
11 th May 2020	National Grid ESO submit report to Ofgem detailing final Procurement Guidelines
Before 8 th June 2020	Ofgem to give a decision on the resubmitted Procurement Guidelines
Upon Ofgem Approval	National Grid ESO to publish new Procurement Guidelines on website and inform industry

Whilst NGESO runs this consultation the existing Procurement Guidelines will remain in place.

Thank you for your continued input into our balancing markets. If you have further questions about the C16 statements or the consultation process please get in contact with NGESO via: balancingservices@nationalgrideso.com

Yours sincerely



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