

## CUSC Panel Briefing Paper

### Joint European Standing Group

#### Background

- 1.1 In February 2011, SSE Generation Ltd raised Modification Proposals to both the BSC and the CUSC, as well as a paper to the Grid Code Review Panel. The proposals seek to create an obligation on National Grid, in its role as National Electricity Transmission System Operator (NETSO), to consult with code Parties on potential changes to the GB industry codes which are discussed or originate from forums other than the relevant code Panel.
- 1.2 The three proposals (CMP191, P271, Grid Code Signatories Consultation) are currently being examined by a Joint Workgroup. The Workgroup published their Workgroup Consultation on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2011 which closes on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2011.
- 1.3 In order to facilitate the consultation with Parties on potential changes, it has been proposed by the Joint Workgroup to establish a cross-code (BSC, CUSC and Grid Code) Panel Standing Group. This group has been called the Joint European Standing Group (JESG).

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- 1.4 The Joint Workgroup has viewed and discussed the European Network Code (ENC) Work Plan (latest version is attached in Appendix 1) and recognises that the current modification process is unlikely to conclude before November 2011 (i.e. likely Authority decision date for CMP191). By the end of 2011, a number of workstreams will have progressed further and in recognition of this National Grid has put together a Terms of Reference for a JESG that could be established now under current Standing Group policy.
- 1.5 Whilst these Terms of Reference do differ slightly from those proposed under CMP191 they are deemed to be achievable in the short-term, in terms of resourcing, for National Grid.
- 1.6 As noted earlier, the Joint Workgroup has published their Workgroup Consultation which contains within it questions related to the proposed JESG. It is therefore proposed that upon the conclusion of the Workgroup Consultation the JESG Terms of Reference, raised here, are reviewed in light of Workgroup Consultation responses.
- 1.7 Upon conclusion of the modification process, if the modifications are approved by the Authority, the JESG Terms of Reference will need to be reviewed to reflect the obligations arising from the proposals.

#### Recommendation

- 1.8 That the CUSC Panel approve the establishment of the Joint European Standing Group to improve engagement with the industry on European Network Codes issues. National Grid also intends to seek approval from the BSC panel and Grid Code panel to establish the Joint European Standing Group.

Appendix 1 - EC/ACER/ENTSO-e Work Plan

EC/ACER/ENTSO-E's work plan

Deliverable	ACER FG draft		ENTSO-E code drafting		ACER evaluation	Comitology Start	2011				2012				2013				2014			
	Start	End	Start	End			1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
<b>Products/legislation relevant for effective implementation of the IEM</b>																						
FG on capacity allocation and congestion management	Q1/11	Q2/11	Q3/11	Q3/12	Q4/12	Q1/13																
NC on capacity allocation and congestion management <sup>1</sup>			Q4/12	Q3/13	Q4/13	Q1/14																
NC on forward markets																						
Regional progress, setup and testing (incl. AESAG process and Regional Initiatives Work Program)																						
EC comitology guideline on governance <sup>2</sup>						Q4/11																
FG on nework connection <sup>3</sup>	Q2/11	Q2/11	Q3/11	Q4/11	Q1/12	Q2/12																
NC on generation connection <sup>4</sup>			Q1/12	Q4/12	Q1/13	Q2/13																
NC on DSO and industrial load connection			Q1/12	Q4/12	Q1/13	Q2/13																
FG on system operation <sup>5</sup>	Q2/11	Q4/11	Q1/11	Q4/12	Q1/13	Q2/13																
NC on operational security			Q2/12	Q1/13	Q2/13	Q3/13																
NC on operational planning and scheduling			Q3/12	Q2/13	Q3/13	Q4/13																
NC on load-frequency control and reserves			Q3/11	Q1/12	Q4/13	Q1/14																
FG on balancing																						
NC on balancing <sup>6</sup>																						
EC comitology guideline on transparency																						
Possible Guidelines / FG on incentives to TSOs to increase cross-border trade					Q1/12	Q4/12																
Possible Guidelines on investment incentives to TSOs					Q1/12	Q4/12																
EC Comitology Guideline on tariffs					Q1/12	Q4/12																