## **Grid Code Signatories Workgroup Report**



Grid Code Review Panel, 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011 Barbara Vest, CMP191 Workgroup Chair

- BSC Modification P271 and CUSC Modification CMP191 were raised by SSE on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2011
- Grid Code Panel Paper presented 17<sup>th</sup> February 2011
- Joint BSC, CUSC, Grid Code Workgroup established
- Held 5 meetings between March and July 2011

- Third Energy Package adopted by EU in July 2009
  - Requires creation of European Network Codes (ENCs)
  - ENCs will be legally binding in GB
  - ENCs likely to have impact on GB codes
- ENCs to be drafted by European Network of Transmission System Operator for Electricity members
- NGET is ENTSO-e member and will have access to ENC development process earlier than others in GB

- The proposal would place an obligation on NGET to:
  - Consult with Grid Code Parties via the GCRP Panel
  - Take into consideration views of Grid Code Parties/ GB Stakeholders on matters discussed in forums that NGET attends as NETSO that other GB parties do not have access to for example ENTSO-e meetings
  - The proposal would require NGET to fulfill its obligation through a cross-code forum

#### **Joint Workgroup Consultation**

- 10 responses received to the joint Grid Code Signatories/CMP191/P271 Consultation
  - Majority support for the Grid Code Signatories proposal however National Grid has concerns about the requirement for an 'obligation'
  - Majority support for implementation approach
  - Unanimous support to establish a Joint European Standing Group prior to the code modification process concluding

(1<sup>st</sup> meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> August; Next scheduled 12<sup>th</sup> October)

# Workgroup Consultation Alternative Modification

- Developed by Workgroup post-consultation
- We have had an extensive debate at the joint Working Group about what the scope of an 'obligation' should mean
- More specific solution
  - "anything under the Third Package that could, in NGET's reasonable and prudent opinion as NETSO within ENTSO-e, result in a change to the BSC, CUSC or Grid Code"
- Supported by majority of Workgroup members

# **Workgroup Conclusions**

- Workgroup specific terms of reference have been fulfilled:
  - the Workgroup drafted Terms of Reference for a "Joint European Standing Group" (JESG) this was an additional task to those set within our original Terms of Reference but was sanctioned by GCRP
- Majority view that the Grid Code Signatories proposals better facilitates Applicable GCRP Objectives overall
- Unanimous view that implementation be 10 Working Days after Authority Decision

# Workgroup Vote (CUSC & BSC)

- 6 Workgroup members were eligible to vote
- Majority voted Modification better facilitates Applicable code Objectives

(The vote was 5\*/6) \*NGET

- Majority voted the Modification WACM better facilitates Applicable code Objectives (4\*\*/6) \*\* The Proposer and NGET
- Majority voted WACM is "best" option (4\*\*/6)
- \*\* The Proposer and NGET

- Panel invited to:
  - AGREE Workgroup has completed its terms of reference
  - AGREE to progress the Alternative Grid Code Signatories Proposal to Industry Consultation