

Code Administrator Meeting Summary

GC0117: Improving transparency and consistency of access arrangements across GB by the creation of a pan-GB commonality of Power Stations requirements

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Key areas of discussion

The Workgroup discussions are summarised according to agenda items:

Action Log review

- The Workgroup talked through each action in the order it had been logged. The Workgroup agreed to close actions **42 – 48**. Current open actions can be found in the Actions log that would be circulated within the Workgroup papers.
- It was agreed that action 25 needs further clarification/review – to fully understand the impact of CUSC 6.5.1.
- It is necessary to assess a follow-on consequential modification of whatever solution will be implemented to ensure consistency and avoid cross code impacts.

Timeline review and Workgroup Objective

- The Chair advised the Workgroup that the objective of the meeting was to assess the legal text and compile Workgroup Consultation questions.

Alternatives

- TJ delivered a presentation explaining alternatives 3 LEEMPS Plus for 10MW+ and introduced the idea of a hybrid approach. In the Hybrid option, Medium will be BM, <10MW – 50MW – RDP, 50MW – 100MW LEEMPS. Full details available on slides 5 – 13 of the Code Admin Workgroup presentation pack within papers circulated on xx May 2022
- Some Workgroup members felt that the hybrid approach may produce serious implications – one possible issue is that it relies on set technologies of the DNOs which may pose problems as the DNOs operate at different technological levels.

- Mark Rivett from the ESO Regional Development Programmes (RDP) team (Megawatt (MW) Dispatch) delivered a presentation relating to alternative 4 – Utilise RDP for 10MW+ providing an overview of the on-going RDP project and the possible impacts on this modification. There was a query around the Cost Benefits Analysis (CBA) and TJ took an action to discuss details of how this was carried out and feedback to the Workgroup.
- It was noted that the cost estimates for Alternative 2 will need to be factored into the CBA for this modification.
- Regarding concern about the way the ESO deals with demand of Registered Capacity being different to the DNOs, AJ advised that draft legal text has been prepared and circulated. Further discussion within the ESO is required in this area around any potential retrospective issues.

Post meeting note: The Chair circulated MR's presentation slides to the Workgroup members on 27 May 2022.

Workgroup Consultation Questions

- TJ suggested that the hybrid option be presented as a viable alternative
- Other suggestions were noted on the draft Workgroup Consultation Proforma to be reviewed by the Workgroup at the next meeting. Potential consultation questions in relation to a, e, i, j, k of the Terms of Reference noted below:
 - a) Potential specific consultation question around implementation cost
 - e) Transmission thresholds
 - i) Impacts on stakeholders (action set on DH, RW, GV TJ)
 - j) re any other areas of change – regulatory or reform impacts by this modification
 - k) Retrospectivity whether applied to Original, WAGCM1 or any other alternatives

Review of Terms of Reference

- The Workgroup reviewed the Terms of Reference and concluded that there is further discussion to be had around e, h, i, j, k.

Next Steps

- The Chair advised that the next workgroup meeting is to be held 23 June 2022 and a showstopper meeting on 4 July 2022. At this meeting, the Workgroup finalise the consultation questions and vote on any available alternatives.
- The Chair will organise a forum with the small generator parties to make them aware of the impacts of this modification should it be implemented.

Participants

Attendees	Initial	Company	Position
Ruth Roberts	RR	Code Administrator National Grid ESO	Chair
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Graeme Vincent	GV	SP Energy Networks	Workgroup Member
Mike Kay	MK	Electricity North West	Workgroup Member
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Richard Woodward	RW	National Grid Electricity Transmission	Workgroup Member
Tim Ellingham	TE	RWE	Workgroup Member
David Halford	DH	National Grid ESO	ESO Representative
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