Code Administrator Meeting Summary

GSR031: Introducing Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners

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Contact Details

Chair: Catia Gomes
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Key areas of discussion

The aim of Workgroup Meeting 1 was to discuss the proposal and timeline, finalise solution, and agree Terms of Reference.

Welcome, Timeline and Terms of Reference

• The Chair took Workgroup Members through the modification process, Workgroup expectations, the cross-code modifications timelines and the Terms of Reference.

Proposer's Solution

- The Proposer took the Workgroup through the background and the aim of the modification to introduce the concept of Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners (CATOs) for the purposes of introducing Onshore Network Competition for the design, build and ownership of Onshore Transmission assets.
- A Workgroup Member queried where the involvement of Transmission Service Providers was within the Modification, the Proposer confirmed that the Modification focused on CATOs not Transmission Service Providers
- The Proposer stated that the modification aims to implement minimum changes to the SQSS legal text and shared the proposed changes including:
 - Adding the definition of "Competitively Appointed Transmission Owner";
 - Amending the definition of "Onshore Transmission Licensee" to include CATO; and
 - Adding a clause for where CATOs interface with more than one TO, with the higher standard being determined within the tendering process.
 - 9 examples have been identified within the SQSS regarding difference between connecting to more than one TO which the Proposer believes are resolved with their proposed legal text alongside the existing geographically defined threshold classifications
- The Workgroup was broadly supportive of the proposed changes but requested time to go through the relevant legislation, STC and Grid Code content.

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Next Steps

The Chair will share the reworked proposed draft legal text and share with the Workgroup for comment ahead of Workgroup Meeting 2 on 10 February 2023.

Actions

Action number	Workgroup Raised	Owner	Action	Comment	Due by	Status
1	WG1	CG	Confirm name change of modification	Submitted for Panel approval	ASAP	Open
2	WG1	GS/SB	Review whether there is any more appropriate legislation which could be captured in the CATO definition rather than the Electricity Act 1989	-	ASAP	Open
3	WG1	GS/SB	Update draft legal text with rationale and share with CG	25/01/2023	ASAP	Open

Attendees

Name	Initial	Company	Role
Catia Gomes	CG	ESO – Code Administrator	Chair
Milly Lewis	ML	ESO – Code Administrator	Technical Secretary
Biljana Stojkovska	BS	BP	Workgroup Alternate
Daniel Phillips	DP	National Grid ET	Workgroup Alternate
David Gregory	DG	National Grid ESO	Observer
Deborah Spencer	DS	National Grid ESO	Observer
Gareth Stanley	GS	National Grid ESO	Proposer
Gideon Miti	GM	National Grid ESO	Observer
Graeme Vincent	GV	SP Energy Networks	Workgroup Member
Marko Grizelj	MG	Siemens Energy	Workgroup Member
Mick Chowns	MC	RWE Renewables	Observer
Nigel Platt	NP	Siemens Energy	Workgroup Alternate
Roddy Wilson	RW	SSEN Transmission	Workgroup Member
Stephen Baker	SB	National Grid ESO	ESO Representative