November Delivery Plans
Balancing Mechanism

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**Balancing Capability**
- Release 1 of Open Balancing Platform (December)
- Bulk Dispatch
- Release 2 Open Balancing Platform
- Integrate DAP & SMP
- NBM services in OBP
- Network control integration
- Release 3 Open Balancing Platform
- Integrate Training Simulator
- Interconnector integration
- Release 4 Open Balancing Platform
- Legacy systems non-operational
- Full functionality of Open Balancing Platform

**BM Wider Access**
- Continuous improvement demand forecasting

**Market Monitoring**
- Continuous market monitoring

**Data and Analytics Platform**
- Implement machine learning, enhance data functionality, Digital Engagement Platform (DEP) Integration (Phase 2)
- Integrate data platform and enhanced dispatch facility (Open Balancing Platform)
- Economic database (NED) & Market Reporting (MODIS) retirement
- Network Control Management System (NCMS) Integration

**Technology Advisory Council (TAC)**
- Technology Advisory Council - Quarterly meeting
- Control Room of the Future Subgroup - Quarterly meeting

**Market Trials**
- Power loop results publication
- Small-scale Aggregated Assets: Live BM trial

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*Network Services Procurement (NSP): To meet our increasing requirement, we are launching a third long-term voltage pathfinder tender. Previous tenders (Mersey and the Pennines) have contracted 440MVar with 240MVar already operational. Both of these provide an availability fee (£/SP) for the effective MVar they provide during the contract length (April 2022-31). Following the success and learnings of previous Pathfinders, we intend this competitive approach to become "business as usual". Going forward these tenders that would have previously been known as 'Pathfinders’ will be collectively known as Network Services Procurement (NSP). Please look out for more information about this voltage NSP tender by monitoring the ESO website www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/balancing-services/pathfinders/noa-voltage-pathfinder

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# Frequency Response

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## Dynamic Containment
- GSP group aggregation introduced

## Dynamic Regulation
- Ongoing development

## Dynamic Moderation
- Ongoing development

## Phase out legacy procurement routes
- Cease procurement of dynamic FFR
- Move Static FFR Procurement to day-ahead

## Enduring Auction Capability
- Market design
- Auction platform proof of concept (sprints)
- EBR consultation
- Market trial guidance
- Market trial registration
- Mock auctions
- Response auction Go-Live

Planned timescales

Fixed end dates

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When

Slow Reserve*

Quick Reserve*

Balancing Reserve

Enduring Auction Capability

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*Decision to delay the delivery of the new Reserve reform products, Slow and Quick Reserve (originally planned for October and November 2023) taken in May 23. This decision has been taken in light of the significant changes that would have been required in our existing, legacy balancing systems and processes, given the complexity of the new service design. At present, we are still re-examining our proposed service designs and evaluating our IT options. We expect this to be completed by September where we will then be reaching out to you to seek your feedback.
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**Stability**

- **Short-term (D-1) Stability Market**
  - System requirements gathering
  - IT development
  - Targeted go-live for short-term stability market

- **Mid-term (Y-1) Stability Market**
  - Request for information – whole industry engagement
  - Mid-term Market tender round 1
  - Mid-term Market tender round 2
  - Mid-term market round 1 delivery year
  - Mid-term market round 2 delivery year

- **Long-term (Y-4) Stability Market**
  - Annual Y-4 process established
  - Further market development and industry engagement
  - Mid-term Market tender round 3

- **Stability Market Design Innovation project (NIA)**
  - Stability innovation project concludes key findings
  - Further process development

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  - Planned timescales
  - Fixed end dates

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