

Headline Report

Meeting name	Joint European Standing Group (JESG)
Meeting number	31
Date of meeting	3 December 2014
Location	Elaxon Offices, 350 Euston Road, London, NW1 3AW

This note sets out the headlines of the most recent meeting of the Joint European Standing Group (JESG). The note is provided in addition to the presentations from the meeting which are available on the JESG website¹ and material in the presentations is not duplicated in the report.

1. JESG Action Log Review

The current version of the JESG Action Log, including any additions from this meeting, follows this Headline Report.

2. Grid Connection Network Codes:

Requirements for Generators (RfG)

- No further information has been issued by the European Commission on the progress of RfG through the Comitology process.
- No further update on RfG was provided at the meeting.

Demand Connection Code (DCC)

- No further information has been issued by the European Commission on the progress of DCC through the Comitology process.
- No further update on DCC was provided at the meeting.

HVDC Network Code

- No further information has been issued by the European Commission on the progress of HVDC through the Comitology process.
- No further update on HVDC was provided at the meeting.

3. Market Network Codes (CACM, FCA and Balancing Network Code):

Capacity Allocation and Congestion Management Network Code (CACM)

- The CACM Network Code is currently with the European Commission, and is currently going through the Comitology process.
- The Commission will be holding a vote on whether or not to accept CACM in early December. It is still hoped that CACM will be agreed and finalized before the end of 2014.
- No further update on CACM was provided at the meeting.

Forward Capacity Allocation Network Code (FCA)

- No further information has been issued by the European Commission on the progress of FCA through the Comitology process.
- No further update on FCA was provided at the meeting.

Electricity Balancing Network Code

- Natasha Smith (Ofgem) provided an update on the Balancing Network Code. ACER is reviewing the Code following the amendments made by ENTSO-E in September.
- ACER has highlighted several areas in which it recommends improvement. These include: more detail on timings and geographical scope, more detail required on the balancing model design, a more ambitious framework for imbalance settlement, and the

¹ <http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Electricity-codes/Standing-groups/Joint-European-standing-group/>

harmonisation of pricing and settlement periods. ACER also recommends supplementary regulatory approvals and stakeholder consultations, and reducing the flexibility for TSOs on imbalance pricing.

- Ofgem encourages GB stakeholders to respond to ACER's Call for Comments on the Balancing Code, and also to seek to influence any relevant trade bodies. Details on ACER's Call for Comments can be found on the ACER website.²
- Ofgem would like to understand if stakeholders agree with the views of ACER and other NRAs. GB specific issues include views on the 'spectrum' of GB implementation, and the best way to explore the pros and cons of changes to the settlement period.
- Ofgem is keen to hear stakeholder views on how engagement can be increased on balancing and Project TERRE.

4. System Operation Network Codes

Operational Security (OS), Operational Planning & Scheduling (OP&S) and Load Frequency Control and Reserves (LFCR) Network Codes

- No further information has been issued by the European Commission on the progress of the System Operation Network Codes.
- No further update was provided on the System Operation Network Codes at the meeting.

Emergency and Restoration Network Code (ER)

- Bec Thornton (NGET) provided an update on the ER Network Code GB Technical Workshop held on 3 - 4 November. A summary of the key issues raised at the meeting can be found on the JESG website.³
- The key issues raised by GB stakeholders included: concerns on the scope and ambition of the plan, the appeals and derogations process, regulatory approval, and the obligations placed on Significant Grid Users and Band A generators.
- ENTSO-E has indicated a 'mini consultation' will be held on the Market Interaction chapter of the Code. A stakeholder workshop is scheduled for Thursday 8 January 2015 in Brussels.
- There will be a JESG Technical Workshop on the Market Interaction chapter on Friday 9 January from 10:00 – 14:00 at Elexon in London. Attendees can register by contacting Europeancodes.electricity@nationalgrid.com.
- The ER Network Code is currently being drafted by ENTSO-E and has been issued for public consultation, which will close at 11pm on 8 December 2014. Responses must be entered via the ENTSO-E website www.entsoe.eu/consultations.

5. Project TERRE Update

- Chris Fox (NGET) provided an update on the status of TERRE, the balancing pilot project which includes GB and several of the surrounding European countries.
- In conjunction with Simon Reid, who is the GB rep on the ENTSO-E Balancing Pilot Project Stakeholder Group, NGET will set up and run a GB stakeholder group on the Project TERRE and related issues. The first meeting will be held on Tuesday 20 January 2015 at Elexon in London. Further details will be circulated via the JESG weekly update.
- Regular stakeholder meetings will be scheduled after the ENTSO-E meetings so that outcomes can be shared with GB stakeholders in a timely manner.
- TERRE has been split into several work packages, each led by different TSOs. NGET will lead on the Economic Analysis package.
- Steve Wilkin (Elexon) commented that it is important for GB to be aware ASAP of what products TERRE will introduce, as IT changes will be required to accommodate these and take them into account in the imbalance price.

6. ECCAF Update

- There have been no ECCAF meetings for several months due to the slowdown in Code development through Comitology, so there was no ECCAF update at the December JESG. The next ECCAF date scheduled is 6th January 2015.

² http://www.acer.europa.eu/Electricity/FG_and_network_codes/Pages/NC-Electricity-Balancing.aspx

³ <http://www2.nationalgrid.com/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=37468>

7. AOB

- Barbara Vest raised the point that NGET/Energy UK and other stakeholders should consider conducting some PR or publicity should the CACM Network Code be approved by the Commission.

8. Forthcoming events/workshops

Please refer to [the calendar on the JESG website](#).

Details of forthcoming Stakeholder events are listed in the calendar and available on individual websites:

- ENTSO-E: [https://www.entsoe.eu/resources/network-Network Codes/](https://www.entsoe.eu/resources/network-Network%20Codes/)
- ACER: <http://acer.europa.net>
- Ofgem: <http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Europe/stakeholder-group/Pages/index.aspx>

9. Next meeting

The next scheduled meeting for the JESG is 20 January 2015 at Elexon Offices in London.
Registration details will be provided in the JESG Weekly Updates.

The actions log follows this report.

JESG Action Log

Standing Actions

Action No	Action	Lead Party
S1	Prepare a commentary / comparison document between the Network Code and the existing GB arrangements at appropriate stages in the Code development for each Network Code.	NGET
S2	Engage with DECC and Ofgem to ensure appropriate and timely input can be provided from GB Stakeholders in to the Comitology process.	JESG Chair
S3	Continue to review the membership of the JESG and engage additional industry parties where appropriate.	JESG Chair
S4	Provide update on future Network Codes and incentives being developed as and when appropriate.	NGET/Ofgem/DECC
S5	If required by the Commission, facilitate an industry-wide read-through of the Network Codes once they are released by the Commission . (formerly Open Action 135)	JESG Chair/Ofgem/DECC
S6	Stakeholders are requested to provide specific examples of inconsistent or problematic definitions in the Network Codes to Ofgem (natasha.z.smith@ofgem.gov.uk) and DECC (elena.mylona@decc.gsi.gov.uk). (formerly Open Action 140)	All
S7	Consider the need for how to best capture stakeholders' most recent priority issues before and during the Comitology process, in particular for the RfG, DCC and CACM Network Codes as the codes develop in the pre-Comitology phase.	DECC

New and Open Actions

Action No	Action	Lead Party	Status	Update
152	Arrange another stakeholder group workshop on RfG Network Code following publication of the next draft.	NGET/DECC/Ofgem	Open	Awaiting new RfG draft
163	Invite Simon Reid (GB ENTSO-E Balancing Pilot Project Stakeholder Representative) to a future JESG meeting to provide an update on the Balancing Pilot Projects.	NGET	Open	Simon was unavailable in December, need to check availability for January.
176	Identify small generators who may benefit from the Energy UK Seminar on EU Network Codes in New Year 2015	Energy UK/ NGET/ DECC/ Ofgem	Open	Coordinate with DECC to find out if there are any relevant parties that have responded to various different consultations.
178	Coordinate GB TERRE Stakeholder Workshops to be held after ENTSO-E meetings.	NGET	Open	

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179	Will the TERRE MoU be made available to NRAs and stakeholders?	NGET	Open	
180	Consider when Balancing Code stakeholder workshop should be held, to follow ENTSO-E meeting if possible.	Ofgem	Open	
181	Publicise the TERRE stakeholder group through the BSC Panel Executive Report and through the subgroups.	Steve Wilkin, Garth Graham	Open	
182	Speak to press contacts to publicise CACM, and consider if this needs to be raised as an agenda item at a future JESG.	Energy UK	Open	
185	Decide whether to hold a Balancing Code Meeting in place of a JESG meeting in January 2015.	Ofgem	Open	

Recently Closed Actions

Action No	Action	Lead Party	Status	Update
157	What are the arrangements for stakeholder engagement in TERRE and/or the Balancing Network Code: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will stakeholders be consulted on Balancing Code amendments? Will there be a GB TERRE group? Will CBAs be published to stakeholders?	NGET	Closed	Update at December JESG, GB stakeholder session organised for 20 January.
158	What products and what gate closure time will Project Terre use?	NGET	Closed	Update provided at JESG 15 October /slides. Further update scheduled for December JESG
164	Consider if there should be an obligation to publish the volumes of standard/non-standard balancing products used by the SO.	DECC/Ofgem	Closed	Ofgem and DECC will provide update at December JESG. Stakeholders want to know about the volumes of activated and traded products.

Action No	Action	Lead Party	Status	Update
170	Stakeholder request of 'who's who' table for ENCs at NGET following Project TERRE/Balancing movements of reps	NGET (BT)	Closed	An updated list will be provided when information has settled. Stakeholders are invited to contact europencodes.electricity@nationalgrid.com in the first instance, and we can direct your enquiry.
174	Agree date for August 2015 JESG, to be held in Edinburgh and fit in with Energy UK meetings	NGET/Energy UK	Closed	The August JESG will take place on Wednesday 26 August (venue tbc).
177	Establish the legal status of the ENTSO-E Operational Handbook	NGET	Closed	It is not a part of the Third Package, therefore any definitions used in the Network Codes will have to be defined within the suite of legislation stemming from the Third Package, and not to the Operational Handbook.
183	Publish the JESG slides by 4 December 2015.	NGET	Closed	Slides circulated to meeting attendees shortly after the end of the JESG meeting; slides were published on the JESG website on 4 December.
184	Circulate Garth Graham's slides from the ENTSO-E ER Network Code meeting.	Garth Graham, NGET	Closed	Circulated with JESG Weekly Update on 5 December 2014.

List of JESG Attendees on 3 December 2014

First Name	Surname	Organisation
Barbara	Vest	Energy UK (Chair)
Tom	Selby	NGET (Technical Secretary)
James	Anderson	Scottish Power
Peter	Bolitho	Waters Wye Associates
Mark	Copley	Ofgem
John	Costa	EDF Energy
Chris	Fox	NGET
Garth	Graham	SSE
Hazel	Gulliver	Scottish Power
Mike	Kay	ENW
Marta	Krajewska	Energy UK
Paola	Lualdi	Pöyry
Lorcán	Murray	BritNed
Ryan	Place	Elxon
Stephen	Powell	CER
Natasha	Smith	Ofgem
David	Spillett	ENA
Helen	Stack	Centrica
Esther	Sutton	E.ON
Bec	Thornton	NGET
Steve	Wilkin	Elxon
John	Young	NGET