

European Network Code on Operational Planning & Scheduling

Update to the Joint European Standing Group





Summary and timeline

- Operational Planning & Scheduling Network Code (OP&S NC): Second of the European Network Codes on System Operation
- Timeline:
 - 2/12/2011: ACER Framework Guidelines on System Operation
 - 24/02/2012: Commission invite ENTSO-E to begin drafting
 - 29/03/2013: OP&S NC and Supporting Document submitted by ENTSO-E to ACER
 - 26/4/2013: ACER Workshop
 - 19/06/2013: ACER opinion sent to ENTSO-E
- ACER issued opinion on OP&S, calling for improvements
- Next steps being discussed between ENTSO-E, ACER and Commission
- Opinion on the Network Code on Operational Planning and Scheduling



ACER Opinion - explained

OP&S opinion issued by ACER on 19/06/2013

- OP&S NC is broadly in line with the Framework Guidelines (FWGL) on System Operation and its objectives;
- ACER commends ENTSO-E's effort to align the OP&S NC with the FWGL
- OP&S NC is important for completion and well functioning of the internal market, including the delivery of benefits to customers.
- ACER hope issues identified can be addressed within a reasonable period.
 ACER fully committed to support ENTSO-E in the process of addressing the issues.
- Similar issues to those identified in ACER Opinion on Operational Security
 NC



ACER Opinion – priority issues

- 1. National scrutiny
- 2. Scope of application
- 3. Drafting quality
- 4. Coherence and compatibility with other network codes
- 5. Performance indicators and forecasting obligations
- 6. Transparency



ACER Opinion (1)

1. National Scrutiny

- OP&S NC should be without prejudice to the competences of NRAs under the 3rd Package
- Article 4 list of items for NRA approval should not be construed as exhaustive.
- Clarification of NRA scrutiny of Remedial Actions (as in CACM NC) –
 Countertrading and Redispatching arrangements
- Further items that should be approved by or notified to NRAs/other national authorities



ACER Opinion (2)

2. Scope and application

- Introduction of 'Relevant Asset', including 'Self Planned Interconnector' and 'Relevant Grid Element'
- 'SPIC' lacks clarity and does not allow identifying ambiguously the types of interconnectors it covers.
- Recommendation to delete 'SPIC', as sufficiently covered by 'Relevant Grid Element'
- Recommendation to allow for the different treatment of TSOs e.g. Multiple TSOs within a Member State



ACER Opinion (3)

- **3. Drafting quality –** a few examples
- Drafting improvements suggested that could otherwise affect legal certainty
- Consistency of definitions with other NCs, ACER expects definitions to be harmonised across codes and published on the ENTSO-E website
- Regulatory aspects, e.g. Code should take into account that NRAs need to be informed whenever TSOs can implement the NC without approval in order for NRAs to attend duties effectively
- Availability Plans hourly granularity seems appropriate for short-term periods, appears too onerous for a year-ahead period – scope should be clarified.
- Improvements to processes for summer and winter Adequacy outlooks



ACER Opinion (4)

4. Coherency and compatibility with other network codes

 NC OS states OP&S should provide for development of methodology for the definition of the Observability Area, not principles

5. Performance Indicators

- Report with detailed assessment of the performance per country and evolution of selected performance criteria over time required in the FWGL
- Currently no explicit obligation for a TSO to forecast demand or generation from RES and follow the weather forecast
- Adequacy indicator to inform discussions on capacity markets

6. Transparency

- Transparency of D-1 and intraday grid models
- Geographical scope and regionally involved TSOs for multilateral agreements



Any questions?

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