In November 2016, in our role as System Operator (SO) we published the 2016 Electricity Ten Year Statement (ETYS). As part of the annual ETYS programme, we review and/or revise the information set out in the ETYS in six-month interval to ensure that you, our stakeholders, are provided with accurate and up-to-date information.

The 2016 ETYS provided you with information on the current capability as well as the future bulk transfer requirements of the GB National Electricity Transmission System (NETS). This information was used by the GB transmission owners to propose reinforcement options to meet future requirements. From this, the SO’s recommendations on the preferred network reinforcement options to meet future required transfers of the GB NETS in an economic, efficient and coordinated manner were presented in the Network Options Assessment (NOA) 2016/17. The NOA 2016/17 was published in January 2017. To date, following the NOA 2016/17 recommendations, there is no new information to share in relation to the status of the NETS development.

In this year’s half-year update to the 2016 ETYS, however, we will provide you with information relating to our 2017 ETYS production cycle, our Customer Connection Interface Tool (CCIT) and information related to other publications connected with the ETYS.
The 2017 ETYS and NOA 2017/18

We will publish the 2017 ETYS by 30 November 2017. The 2017 ETYS will build on the 2017 Future Energy Scenarios (FES) to be published in July 2017. Information from both the FES and the ETYS will then be used to inform the recommendations on the preferred network reinforcement options presented in the NOA 2017/18 document, to be published in January 2018.

Customer Connection Interface Tool (CCIT)

We understand that having easy and quick access to the information most relevant to our customers in a user friendly way is important. National Grid has developed and been managing the Customer Connections Interface Tool (CCIT) since it was first introduced in 2015. With CCIT you can select areas of the NETS and display information in a user friendly way to assist in gaining a high level appreciation of current and future generation connection, site specific information and time frames for connecting customers. CCIT has been updated to reflect the NOA 2016/17 and Transmission Entry Capacity (TEC) changes. The link to the NOA 2016/17 can be found here. The link to the TEC can be found here. The link to the CCIT can be found here.

Stakeholder Feedback

Stakeholder feedback is one of the key things we consider when outlining the form of the ETYS. We continue to welcome your views on how the ETYS could evolve to better meet your needs and your expectations. A stakeholder consultation request was sent out in April 2017 to get your views on how we could improve the 2017 ETYS publication. The consultation period has now closed and we are reviewing the responses to help us shape our document.

2017 Publication Registration

To ensure that you are provided with timely notification relating to the publication of the FES, ETYS, NOA and other National Grid documents, the following link has been provided where you can register: http://www.nationalgrid.com/updates.