

# Changing the Grid Code

Process and Objectives

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- The license says
  - The licensee shall periodically review (including upon the request of the Authority) the Grid Code and its implementation
  - The review shall involve an evaluation of whether any revision or revisions to the Grid Code would better facilitate the achievement of the Grid Code objectives and, where the impact is likely to be material, this shall include an assessment of the quantifiable impact of any such revision on greenhouse gas emissions
  - Following any such review, the licensee shall send to the Authority
    - a report on the outcome of such review
    - any proposed revisions to the Grid Code
    - any written representations or objections from authorised electricity operators liable to be materially affected
- This process is enacted via the Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP) and its associated workgroups

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“which is designed so as:

- (i) to permit the development, maintenance and operation of an efficient, coordinated and economical system for the transmission of electricity;
- (ii) to facilitate competition in the generation and supply of electricity (and without limiting the foregoing, to facilitate the national electricity transmission system being made available to persons authorised to supply or generate electricity on terms which neither prevent nor restrict competition in the supply or generation of electricity);
- (iii) subject to sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii), to promote the security and efficiency of the electricity generation, transmission and distribution systems in the national electricity transmission system operator area taken as a whole; and
- (iv) to efficiently discharge the obligations imposed upon the licensee by this license and to comply with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency.”

## Workgroup Deliverables

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- Agenda and supporting material
- Agreed minutes
- Workgroup Report including
  - A description of the issue
  - A summary of Workgroup Discussions
  - A solution
  - Assessment
  - Legal Text
  - Terms of Reference
  - Workgroup Membership
- The Grid Code Review Panel will review the report and determine how to proceed
  - Next stage would be an industry consultation