

## Workgroup Consultation Response Proforma

### GC0109: Publication of the various GB electricity Warnings or Notices or Alerts or Declarations or Instructions or Directions etc. (“System Warning Alerts”) issued by or to the Network Operator(s).

Industry parties are invited to respond to this consultation expressing their views and supplying the rationale for those views, particularly in respect of any specific questions detailed below.

Please send your responses to [grid.code@nationalgrideso.com](mailto:grid.code@nationalgrideso.com) by **5pm on 16 December 2020**. Please note that any responses received after the deadline or sent to a different email address may not receive due consideration by the Workgroup.

If you have any queries on the content of this consultation, please contact Paul Mullen at [paul.j.mullen@nationalgrideso.com](mailto:paul.j.mullen@nationalgrideso.com) or [grid.code@nationalgrideso.com](mailto:grid.code@nationalgrideso.com)

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#### For reference the Applicable Grid Code Objectives are:

- a) *To permit the development, maintenance and operation of an efficient, coordinated and economical system for the transmission of electricity*
- b) *Facilitating effective 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);*
- c) *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;*
- d) *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; and*
- e) *To promote efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Grid Code arrangements*

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**Please express your views regarding the Workgroup Consultation in the right-hand side of the table below, including your rationale.**

Standard Workgroup Consultation questions		
1	Do you believe that the GC0109 Original solution better facilitates the Applicable Objectives?	Yes
2	Do you support the proposed implementation approach?	Yes
3	Do you have any other comments?	No
4	Do you wish to raise a Workgroup Consultation Alternative Request for the Workgroup to consider?	No
Modification Specific Workgroup Consultation questions		
5	The Workgroup have set out four categories for the proposed items to be classified (or not) as System Warning Alerts and have noted that Category 1 System Warning Alerts are already published. The Workgroup have proposed that the System Warning Alerts in Categories 2 and 3 will need to be published and are within the scope of GC0109 whilst System Warning Alerts in Category 4 are outside the scope of GC0109. Do you agree with the Workgroup's list and do you think there is any System Warning Alerts that needs to be included or excluded from publication? Please provide the rationale for your response.	<p>We think that these are very sensible things for Users to be made aware of on a real-time basis as increasing awareness of the system situation may allow Users to support the system better and develop better protocols to respond to system warnings.</p> <p>We note that Voltage Control DNO10 contracted with the ESO requires further code changes and if these have not been developed would suggest that it is removed from the list until that change is processed so Ofgem do not knock it back again.</p>
6	The Workgroup have considered 4 different BMRS Implementation Options and agree that Options 1 and 2 only are suitable for the scope of GC0109. Which of Option 1 or Option 2 do you prefer?. Please provide the rationale for your response.	We do not have an opinion either way on this.
7	The Proposer has suggested a time window of 15 minutes (on a reasonable endeavours basis) for the ESO to issue the System Warning Alert to ELEXON for publication on the BMRS; and a time window of 20 minutes (on a reasonable endeavours basis) from the ESO	We think this is a reasonable maximum timescale, for system warnings faster would be better as the event may be over before the warning has been issued, but it would be a good record of what has happened.

	receiving the System Warning Alert to issue to ELEXON for publication on the BMRS. Do you agree that these time windows are suitable? Please provide the rationale for your response.	
8	In the “What is the Impact of this Change” section, the Workgroup has set out the benefits and costs of this change. Do you agree with the Workgroup’s view and are there are additional benefits and/or costs to set out? Please provide the rationale for your response.	We agree with the WG. Given that the costs are circa #10k for implementation, it is likely any benefits will more than exceed this. Transparency in the market can only be good.