



SQSS Special Panel

Tuesday 9 April 2024

Online Meeting via Teams

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Action Log



ID	Month	Agenda Item	Description	Owner	Notes	Target Date	Status
40.8	March 2022	GC0117 & New Modifications	ESO to report on progress of GC0117 and if an SQSS modification is required, when this will be raised.	RW	UPDATE: Options are still in the process of being refined. A CBA is currently underway by the ESO.	TBC	Open

Authority Decisions and Update (as at 23 February 2024)

No update since last Panel

The Authority's publication on decisions can be found on their website below:

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/code-modificationmodification-proposals-ofgem-decision-expected-publication-dates-timetable>



Workgroup Report

**GSR031: Introducing Competitively Appointed
Transmission Owners & Transmission Service Providers**

Catia Gomes

Key points to note to the Panel

- The Workgroup Report was presented to the SQSS Panel on 24 January 2024. The Panel agreed that the Workgroup needed to update the legal text to meet Terms of Reference; specifically that the Large Power Station, Medium Power Station, Small Power Station, and Transmission System definitions should be aligned with the Grid Code.
- The Workgroup reconvened to consider the Panel suggestions and along with the interactions with GC0159.
- The Workgroup reviewed and agreed on the proposed legal text changes, and Workgroup members have confirmed their vote.

Solution and Workgroup Vote

- **Solution:** The objective of this modification is to implement changes to the SQSS to facilitate the introduction of CATOs. The changes, which are non-exhaustive, are made on the assumption that a CATO will be granted a Transmission Licence and will be categorised as an Onshore Transmission Owner. Our initial assessment indicated that this would include introducing the Competitively Appointed Transmission Owner concept to the SQSS Terms and Definitions, in addition to other consequential changes including but not limited to changes to Specifying the Standards that will apply to CATO assets in the respective incumbent TO areas.
- This will be achieved through the proposed high-level changes to the SQSS legal text.

Summary of Workgroup Vote:

The Workgroup concluded unanimously that the Original better facilitated the Applicable Objectives than the Baseline.

Terms of Reference

The Workgroup conclude that they have met their Terms of Reference and the references can be located below:

Workgroup Term of Reference	Location in Workgroup Report
Consider the transmission licencees definition	Annex 3
Consider the approach when a CATO is connected to more than one TO	Workgroup Considerations
Consider whether resolving this in the definitions is correct or whether the eight instances in the document should be considered	Workgroup Considerations
Consider the cross-code impacts that this modification has, with particular consideration of any consequential impacts to STC, Grid Code, SQSS and CUSC as appropriate	Interactions
Ensure that the proposed STC, Grid Code, SQSS and CUSC as appropriate changes effectively implement the CATO regime in a proportionate manner, adopting minimum necessary change whilst also ensuring that the new arrangements are future proofed as much as possible	Legal Text and Workgroup Considerations

GSR031– the asks of Panel

- **AGREE** that the Workgroup have met their Terms of Reference
- **AGREE** that this Modification can proceed to Code Administrator Consultation
- **NOTE** the ongoing timeline

GSR031 Next Steps

Milestone	Date
Code Administrator Consultation (15 working days)	12 April 2024 to 5pm on 02 May 2024
Draft Final Modification Report issued to Panel	08 May 2024
Draft Final Modification Report presented to Panel	15 May 2024
Final Modification Report issued to Panel to check votes recorded correctly (5 working days)	19 May 2024 – 24 May 2024
Submission of Final Modification Report to Ofgem	27 May 2024
Ofgem decision date	ASAP
Implementation Date	TBC



Any Other Business

Activities ahead of the next Panel Meeting

Modification Proposals to be submitted	17 April 2024
Papers Day	24 April 2024
Panel Meeting	8 May 2024 Teams

Close



Teri Puddefoot
Chair, SQSS Panel