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| **Letter to Key Stakeholders who hold CUSC Contracts with National GridESO** | National Grid ESO  Faraday House  Warwick Technology Park,  Gallows Hill  Warwick  CV34 6DA |

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| November 2021  **European Network Codes – Emergency and Restoration Code**  **This letter is for information only and no further action need be taken**   |  | | --- | |  | |
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In March 2011, the European Third Energy Package became law which aims to develop a more harmonised European Energy Market for gas and electricity. While achieving this, it also facilitates the integration of renewable energy sources in order to maintain System security and also enhance competition.

In developing these objectives, the European Commission have approved a suite of Network Codes of which one is the Emergency and Restoration Code.

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32017R2196&from=EN>

The aim of the Emergency and Restoration Code is to minimise the impact of an incident on the electricity system and to facilitate efficient and rapid restoration were an incident to occur.

Although the UK has now officially left the European Union, the majority of the requirements defined in the European Emergency and Restoration Code are still applicable in GB as they have been transferred into GB law via Statutory Instrument.

# National Grid ESO in their role as the Electricity System Operator (NGESO) having been working with industry stakeholders and Ofgem over the last few years to update the GB Industry Codes and associated documentation to ensure they are consistent with the EU Emergency and Restoration Code.

# As part of the implementation of the EU Emergency and Restoration Code, (which now falls under UK law) NGESO is also required to formally notify parties affected by the European Emergency and Restoration Code of any actions that they need to take.

**The purpose of this letter is therefore to advise that if you are already have or intending to have a CUSC Contract with National Grid ESO, you will already be within the scope of the European Emergency and Restoration Code and through fulfilling the requirements of the Grid Code will be satisfying these requirements. There is therefore no further action required.**

National Grid ESO are currently working with the Industry and Ofgem to implement the second phase of the European Emergency and Restoration Code through Grid Code modification GC0148 which will come into effect in December 2022. Should there be any changes arising as a result of this work, they will be reflected through the GC0148 Grid Code modification process and if there is a need to notify you of any changes arising from this process, then we will write to you in the future if there is a need to do so.

As noted, there is no requirement for you to take any further action as a result of this letter. For your information, Appendix 1 attached to this letter summarises, the work National Grid ESO has developed or is developing with the wider Industry to introduce the changes arsing from the EU Emergency and Restoration Code.

Should you have any questions regarding this issue, or interested in joining the GC0148 Grid Code Modification Workgroup, please email

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Yours sincerely

# Appendix 1 – Emergency and Restoration Code Consultations

1. Decision on the Electricity System Operator’s proposal for the Terms and Conditions to act as defence and restoration providers, for the list of significant grid users responsible for implementing on their installations measures from other EU Network codes, and for the list of high priority significant grid users

[Decision for NCER proposals TCs, SGU list, HP SGU list (4).pdf](file:///C:\Users\antony.johnson\Downloads\Decision%20for%20NCER%20proposals%20TCs,%20SGU%20list,%20HP%20SGU%20list%20(4).pdf)

2)GC0148: Implementation of EU Emergency and Restoration Code Phase II

# <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes/grid-code-old/modifications/gc0148-implementation-eu-emergency-and-0>