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Code Administrator Meeting

Summary

Meeting name: GC0139 Workgroup Meeting 25

Date: 18 July 2025

Contact Details

Chair: Jess Rivalland (jess.rivalland@neso.energy)

Proposer: Ian Povey (ian.povey@enwl.co.uk)

Key areas of discussion

The aim of the Workgroup meeting 25 was to review the Legal Text, Terms of Reference and Workgroup Report.

Timeline

The Chair shared the timeline with the Workgroup highlighting the date for the next Workgroup scheduled for 12 August. The Workgroup made no comments on the timeline.

Outstanding Actions

The following actions were closed:

- Action 24 – The Proposer confirmed discussions with the Proposer of GSR029 took place and confirmed that the definition ‘Group Demand’ aligns.
- Action 35 – The SME suggested once network models are solidified consideration of STC/STCPs can be considered.
- Action 42 – The SME confirmed the proforma was shared with Workgroup members and the data was collected.
- Action 43 – The Proposer confirmed discussions took place in the ENA subgroup and will be handed over to the British Standards Institute (BSI).

New actions out of Workgroup 25 can be seen below.

Legal Text

The Proposer and the SME lead the legal text discussions, summary of discussions below:

Planning Code/DRC Schedules

- The implementation date was pushed back to 2027.

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- A Workgroup Member queried the inclusion of transmission-connected Independent Distribution Network Operators (“IDNOs”) in point PC.1.2.1. The Proposer clarified that the intention was to include all IDNOs connected to the transmission system.
- The SME explained that referencing to Schedules has been included to help understand the legal text. It has also been considered converting the Schedules from Word to Excel to improve readability but would need Panel’s input **(Action 45)**.
- A Workgroup member queried the governance process for any future amendments to the proposed excel Schedules, the Chair took an action to look further into that **(Action 46)**.
- A Workgroup member queried the point at PC9.6 where Distribution Network Operators (“DNOs”) cannot disclose information not owned by them. The Proposer responded that sharing of information is a licence obligation and a requirement under the Utility Act but will investigate confidentiality and potential non-disclosure agreements between NESO, Transmission Operators (“TOs”), and DNOs **(Action 47)**.
- A Workgroup member suggested a disclaimer be inserted above the diagrams at PC.G.9 to direct the reader for the obligatory requirements and to read the full legal text. The SME took this Action to amend **(Action 48)**

Operating Code 5 (OC5) and Operating Code 6 (OC6)

The Workgroup made no comments on the legal text.

Terms of Reference

The SME required clarification on Terms of Reference point (f).

A Workgroup member explained they previously had concerns regarding the observability zone requirements which may require more network information be provided to NESO. To cover this point off, a review of the SOGL Observation Area definition introduced under GC0106 was needed **(Action 50)**.

Workgroup Report

The SME took the Workgroup through the Workgroup Report focusing on the track changes. The SME highlighted that diagrams had been inserted to explain legal text. Workgroup members suggested some amendments to the wording including a tweak to terms of reference point (a) to include the total industry cost and breaking that down into year one setup and annual costs. The SME agreed to review and amend in time for the next Workgroup.

Next steps

- Chair to upload onto the Collaboration Space the legal text and Workgroup Report for Workgroup members’ comments.

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- Chair to circulate Workgroup invites.

AOB

None recorded.

Actions

For the full action log, click [here](#)

Action Number	Workgroup Raised	Owner	Action	Due by	Status
44	WG25	SML	Review and update the DRC Schedule Excel spreadsheet.	WG26	Open
45	WG25	SML/Code Team	Confirm whether NESO is able to publish the DRC Schedule Excel spreadsheet online	WG26	Open
46	WG25	Code Team	Consider how the DRC Schedule will be governed in the future	WG26	Open
47	WG25	SML	Investigate confidentiality and potential NDA's between NESO/ TOs/ DNOs.	WG26	Open
48	WG25	SML	Consider how to reference PC Data Exchange Timeline in legal text for PC9 and PC10 with disclaimer	WG26	Open
49	WG25	SML	Review DRC Schedule Word document tables and that it aligns with Excel version	WG26	Open
51	WG25	IP	Review GAP analysis in Workgroup Report	WG26	Open
52	WG25	IP	Review CIM background in Workgroup Report	WG26	Open

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53	WG25	SML	Reword how Term of Reference a) is being met and how to split the average cost out	WG26	Open
54	WG25	All	Review legal text and Workgroup report with comments and tracked changes prior to next Workgroup meeting on 12 August	WG26	Open
55	WG25	SML	Review interactions with CMP434	WG26	Open
56	WG25	IP/AC/SML	The implications associated with IDNOs and the PSM	WG26	Open

Attendees

Name	Initial	Company	Role
Jess Rivalland	JR	NESO Code Governance	Chair
Tammy Meek	TM	NESO Code Governance	Technical Secretary
Ian Povey	IP	ENWL	Proposer
Stuart McLarnon	SML	NESO	Subject Matter Expert
Alan Creighton	AC	Northern Power Grid	Workgroup Member Alternate
Behnam Feizifar	FB	SSE Distribution	Observer
Graeme Vincent	GV	SP Distribution	Workgroup Member
Henry Walker	HW	National Grid	Observer
Lee Saville	LS	Western Power Distribution	Workgroup Member
Phil Moseley	PM	National Grid	Observer

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Ryan Westland	RW	SSE Distribution	Workgroup Member Alternate
Sara Afifi	SA	UK Power Networks plc	Workgroup Member
Somjit Mohanty	SM	NGET	Workgroup Member