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Code Administrator Meeting

Summary

Meeting name: GC0139 Workgroup Meeting 25

Date: 12 August 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 26 was to review the Actions and Workgroup Report.

Timeline

The Chair shared the timeline with the Workgroup highlighting an extra date had been included to carry out the Workgroup Vote. The Proposer informed the Chair they would not be able to attend for personal reasons. The Chair confirmed a Proposer must be present to vote and that the Workgroup Vote would be postponed to 12 September. The Workgroup Report will now go to the October Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP).

Outstanding Actions

The following actions were closed:

- Action 44 – The SME confirmed amendments to the DRC Schedule including the aggregated energy source dropdown on the Spreadsheet had been made.
- Action 47 – The Chair circulated NESO's legal team's response to Workgroup Members stating that the Grid Code already has existing confidentiality provisions at GC.12. GC.12.1 signposts to the confidentiality provisions contained in CUSC. As a result, there is no need for additional confidentiality clauses in the Planning Code or an NDA/Data Sharing Agreement. A Workgroup Member confirmed that this is not covered by the Electricity Act, so hence the current/future data sharing would be the same.

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- Action 48 – The SME confirmed that the existing reference for PC data exchange timeline and legal text for PC 9 and 10 with disclaimer, was already in place since before December 2024.
- Action 49 – The DCR Schedules were reviewed following amendments made as required by Action 44.
- Action 50 – The Chair confirmed a Workgroup member had provided Annex 10 to deal with Terms of Reference (f) point.
- Action 51 – The Proposer confirmed the ‘Gap Analysis’ section in the Workgroup Report has been removed as the new defined terms are correctly detailed in the Section titled ‘GB SQSS Review – GSR029’.
- Action 52 – The Proposer confirmed they had amended the Workgroup Report to include more text around CIM background.
- Action 53 – The SME confirmed Terms of Reference (a) had been discussed in the subgroup and amended the wording in the Workgroup Report.
- Action 55 – The SME confirmed they were satisfied that consideration had been given to CMP434. Discussions were held in the subgroup, in particular around Schedule 28, and confirmed TOs were satisfied with the changes made.
- Action 56 – The SME confirmed that approval had been given to the Legal Text by the subgroup.

New actions can be found in the log below.

Workgroup Report

Workgroup members went through the comments added offline after Workgroup 25. Clarifications and amendments to some text were made to the Report closing off some comments. However, comments left by a Workgroup Member absent from the Workgroup remained as context was needed.

Workgroup members discussed the risks of misalignment between the DRC schedules and the Excel template if updates are not synchronised, potentially leading to inconsistencies.

The Workgroup debated the administrative burden of requiring code modifications for every DRC Spreadsheet update and agreed to seek Panel guidance on how to ensure spreadsheet changes are properly aligned. This will go to the September GCRP for feedback. **(ongoing ACTION 46)**.

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Workgroup members agreed to discuss offline to reword the section on NESO cost breakdown and year one versus ongoing costs, ensuring clarity on setup and annual costs for Network Operators. **(ACTION 57)**

The Workgroup members reviewed the drafted Annex 10 which addresses Terms of Reference (f), prepared by an absent member. One member had minor queries mainly around the applicability of its content, specifically around whether it covers only real-time data or also includes structural and scheduled data. They indicated these questions do not impact the intent but agreed to contact the drafter offline for clarification. The Chair also confirmed their intention to reach out to the drafter to ensure the summary provided in the Workgroup Consultation of Annex 10 was adequate. **(ACTION 58)**

The Workgroup members discussed the decision date and agreed to amend to 'as soon as practically possible'.

The Workgroup agreed to amend the implementation approach to include NESO and network operators collaborating under clear industry-wide governance (e.g., a GB CIM Governance Group), ensuring structured processes and consistent development of standard profiles.

Legal Text

The SME confirmed no changes to the legal text had been made following the subgroup apart from the DRC Schedule. This now includes dropdowns for aggregated energy sources, updated tables and screenshots.

Next steps

- Chair to contact Grid Code Review Panel Secretary to include an agenda to discuss the governance arrangements for the Excel DRC Schedules.
- Send out postponed Workgroup 27 invite which will now take place on 12 September.
- Workgroup members to read through the Workgroup Report, legal text and Annexes in readiness for the Workgroup vote.

AOB

None recorded.

Actions

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

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Action Number	Workgroup Raised	Owner	Action	Due by	Status
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
54	WG25	All	Review legal text and Workgroup report with comments and tracked changes prior to next Workgroup meeting on 12 September	WG26	Open
57	WG26	SML	Reword or restructure the section on NESO cost breakdown and year one versus ongoing costs, ensuring clarity on setup and annual costs for Network Operators.	WG27	Open
58	WG26	GV, Chair	Discuss minor amendments to Annex 10 with AC offline.	WG27	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
Graeme Vincent	GV	SP Distribution	Workgroup Member
Henry Walker	HW	National Grid	Observer

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