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Code Administrator Meeting

Summary

Meeting name: GC0139 Workgroup Meeting 27

Date: 29 September 2025

Contact Details

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

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

Key areas of discussion

The aim of Workgroup meeting 27 was to close off the remaining comments in the Workgroup Report and legal text.

Timeline

The Chair shared the timeline and advised that an additional Workgroup will be needed to carry out the Workgroup Vote as the Proposer was unable to attend or send an alternate for Workgroup 27. This will delay the Workgroup Report going to the October Panel and will now be moved to the November Panel. It does not currently affect the Draft Final Modification Report or other key dates.

Actions

No Actions were closed in the Workgroup.

Actions 45 & 46

The SME and the Grid Code Review Panel secretary advised the Workgroup that during the September Panel meeting, Panel members agreed:

- The DRC Schedules should be governed through the usual code modification process, and any changes to the spreadsheets must follow the same governance as the Grid Code.

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- Only typographical changes to the DRC can go through the fast-track process; substantive changes require the Standard Governance route and Ofgem approval.
- Changes affecting what information is being asked for (e.g., changing who fills in a section) must go through the full governance process.
- Minor corrections, such as fixing a misspelled word, can be handled via fast track.
- Changes to Excel specific features, like drop-down menus, that do not affect the information being collected may not require code governance, but substantive changes will.

Actions 54 & 57

The NESO Representative confirmed the legal text changes and wording in the Workgroup Report had been amended to clarify NESO cost breakdown and year one versus ongoing costs on setup and annual costs for Network Operators.

Action 58

The Workgroup were happy that Annex 10 addressed terms of reference f).

The new Action can be found in the table below.

Workgroup Report

The Workgroup went through the outstanding comments left by a Workgroup member absent from Workgroup 26. Comments were clarified with some amendments to the Workgroup Report text and DRC schedules to cover off:

- That Generators are not impacted by GC0139.
- "Network operators" will be used instead of "DNOs" for consistency.
- The definition and number six of network operators were clarified for cost accuracy.
- Out-of-scope references were removed.
- Insertion of wording that the Grid Code Panel were satisfied with the use of Excel Spreadsheets.

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A Workgroup member highlighted that potential costs to Transmission Owners (TOs) from maintaining and interfacing with the data exchange model need to be fully captured in the Workgroup Report. Pointing out these costs might be addressed by an STC modification, but should be considered in the overall cost assessment. This was added to the Impacts section.

An STC modification is to follow to capture the Workgroup members' concerns.

Legal Text

The Workgroup went through the legal text and suggested refining wording such as (**Action 59**):

- the DRC legal text, where a new table for post-PSM implementation is needed, clarify which schedules must be completed by Network Operators.
- the term "before/after PSM implementation" will replace "pre/post" for consistency.
- Include a note to specify that the Excel schedules are for convenience only, with the DRC PDF as the authoritative source.
- updated wording to "shall" instead of "will" for legal clarity.
- clarify which schedules are included in the Excel pack and to add notes distinguishing schedules not part of the Week 24/28 submissions.

Next steps & AOB

- An invitation for Workgroup 28 will be circulated once a date is confirmed with the Proposer.
 - Final tidy up of Workgroup Report.
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Actions

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

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Action Number	Workgroup	Owner	Action	Due by	Status
45	WG25	SML/Code Team	Confirm whether NESO is able to publish the DRC Schedule Excel spreadsheet online	WG26	Closed
46	WG25	Code Team	Consider how the DRC Schedule will be governed in the future	WG26	Closed
54	WG25	All	Review legal text and Workgroup report with comments and tracked changes prior to next Workgroup meeting on 12 September	WG26	Closed
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	Closed
58	WG26	GV, Chair	Discuss minor amendments to Annex 10 with AC offline.	WG27	Closed
59	WG27	SML	Updates to legal text as suggested by Workgroup members	WG28	Open

Attendees

Name	Initial	Company	Role
Jess Rivalland	JR	NESO Code Governance	Chair
Tammy Meek	TM	NESO Code Governance	Technical Secretary
Stuart McLarnon	SML	NESO	NESO Representative
Alan Creighton	AC	Northern Power Grid	Workgroup Member

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Borsu Shahnavaaz	BS	South Eastern Power Networks Plc	Workgroup member Alternate
Evelin Kurian	EK	SSE	Workgroup Member Alternate
Graeme Vincent	GV	SP Distribution	Workgroup Member
Lee Saville	LS	Western Power Distribution	Workgroup Member
Lizzie Timmins	LT	NESO	Observer
Paul Thomson	PT	NESO	Workgroup Member
Somjit Mohanty	SM	NGET	Workgroup Member