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# Grid Code Review Panel

Thursday 30 October 2025

Faraday House



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# WELCOME



# Chair’s Expectations

## Behaviours

Read and fully digest papers (employer letter gives priority to Panel work)	Greater focus on end consumer impacts
Discuss AOB items first with Chair and secretariat	Provide timely input of voting statements and prioritisation views
Act with impartiality and independence, represent your constituency not your company	Respect the process with no “after the event” or post-decision thoughts
Focus on the strategic role of the Panel and avoid straying into detailed Workgroup conversations	Respect housekeeping protocols
Raise contentious issues in advance so there are no surprises or agenda derailments	

## Prioritisation

- Take responsibility and be accountable for using your industry expertise to identify where the Panel should focus its priorities
- Focus on issues of strategic importance and not on detailed points of process or operation
- Understand resource constraints

## Voting

- Please do not raise new issues during the vote as it hampers independence
- No herd voting or manipulation of voting order

## Voting Recording and Validation

- When a solution has a clear majority within the best vote this is what will be concluded as the Panel’s recommendation.
- When no solution has a clear majority within the best vote the number of voting members will be recorded and issued as there being no consensus recommendation
- When asked to check your vote post Panel, no response will be taken as you having no opposition to the documented vote

# Purpose of Panel & Duties of Panel Members

The **Panel** shall be the standing body to carry out the **functions** referred to in the Governance Rules **(GR3.1.1)**

## Functions (GR.3.2)

The **Panel** shall endeavour at all time to operate:

- In an **efficient, economical and expeditious manner**, taking account of the complexity, importance and urgency of particular Modification Proposals; and
- With a view to ensuring that the **Grid Code** facilitates **achievement of the Grid Code Objectives**.

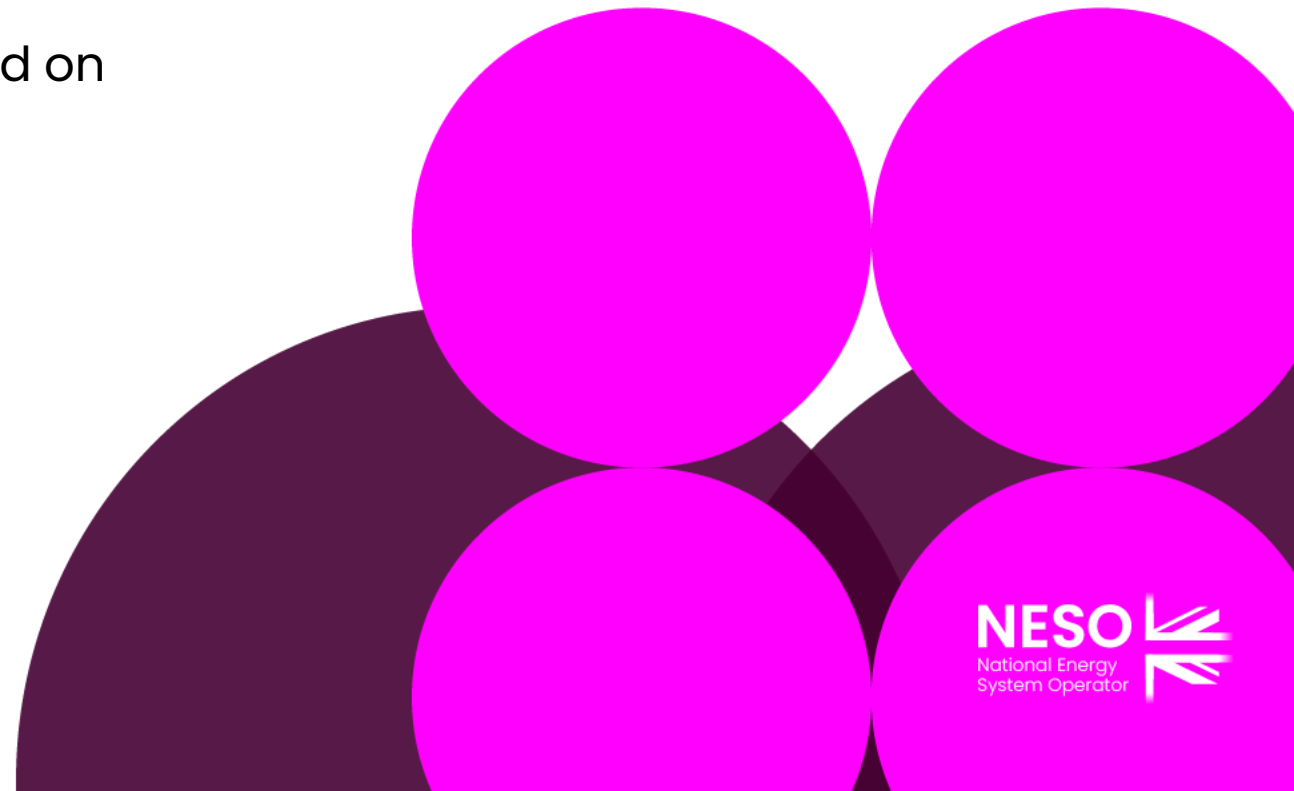
## Duties of Panel Members & Alternates (GR.3.3)

1. Shall act **impartially** and in accordance with the requirements of the **Grid Code**; and
2. Shall not have any **conflicts of interest**.

Shall not be representative of, and shall act without undue regard to the particular interests of the persons or body of persons by whom he/she was appointed as Panel Member and any Related Person from time to time.

## Approval of Panel Minutes

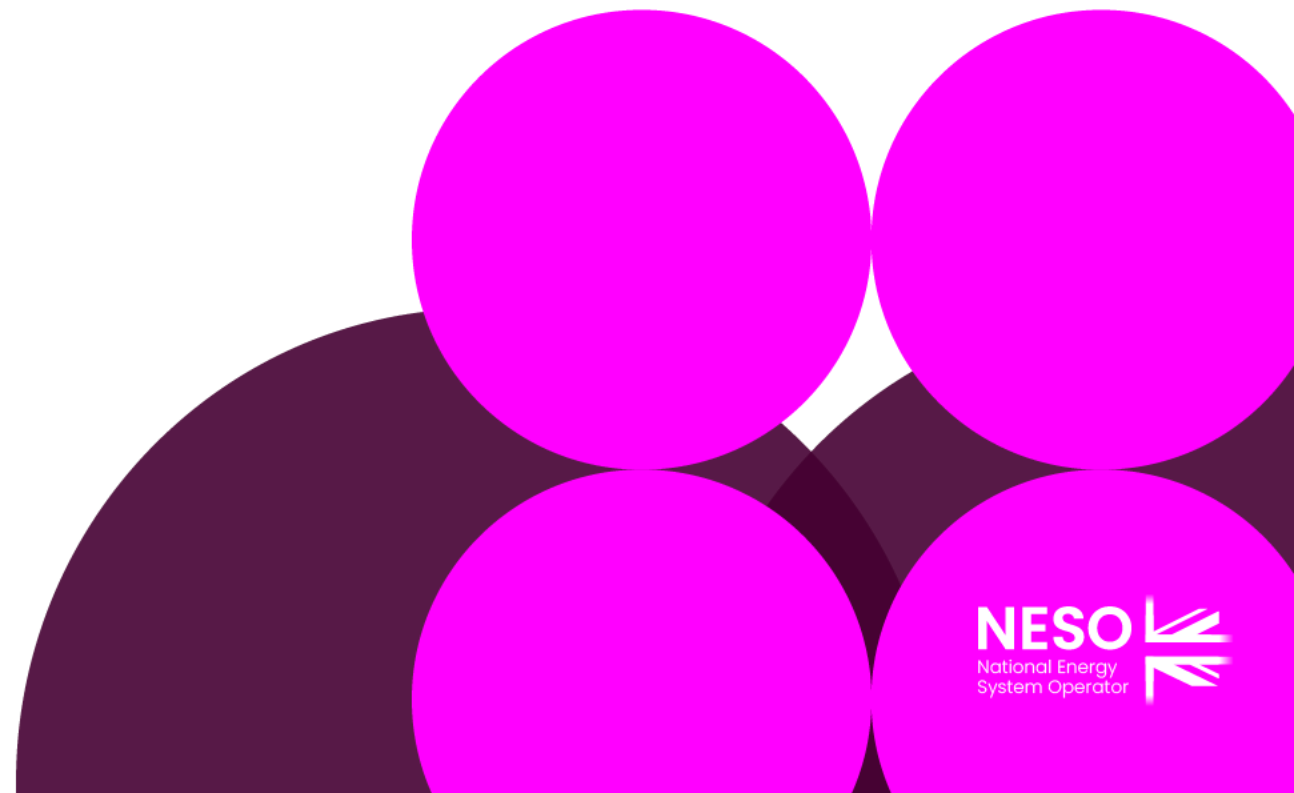
Approval of Panel Minutes from the meeting held on  
25 September 2025



## Action Log

Action No.	Status	Action	Date raised	Owner	Due	Comments and Updates
456	Open	Ofgem ECR team to be invited to a future Grid Code Review Panel to provide update around milestones	30/05/2024	GS/SC	Ongoing	At the February 2025 Grid Code Review Panel, the Chair asked that the Authority keep the Panel informed of the expectations of them during the transition to Energy Code Reform. Update expected to Code Administrators in October, and a short update will be provided during the October Panel meeting.
465	Open	To provide a general update at a future Panel on the wider work going on in relation to Bilateral Embedded Generation Agreements (BEGA's)	26/09/2024	CN	TBC	AJ advised at the August 2025 Panel meeting that this is likely to be covered within GC0117.
468	Open	Investigate scope and timings of new modifications for Holistic Network Design	22/05/2025	CN	Q4 2025	
472	Open – propose to close	Provide update on whether GC0117 Authority consultation responses can be shared with the Workgroup	21/08/2025	GS	September 2025	Responses have been shared with the Workgroup.
473	Open – propose to close	Provide update on GC0166 trials	25/09/2025	CN/AJ	October 2025	Email circulated to Panel members on 01 October
474	Open – propose to close	Liaise regarding DRC Governance relating to GC0139	25/09/2025	LT/SM	October 2025	Attended GC0139 Workgroup on 29/09 to advise on Governance

## Chair's Update



# Authority Decisions and Update (as of 22 October 2025)

## Decisions Received since last Panel Meeting

Modification	Decisions	Implementation Date
<a href="#">GC0166: Introducing new Balancing Mechanism Parameters for Limited Duration Assets</a>	On 22 October 2025, the Authority approved the Original solution.	05 November 2025

## Decisions Pending

Modification	Final Modification Report Received	Expected Decision Date
<a href="#">GC0174: Review of obligations to provide EU Transparency Availability Data as specified in OC2.4.7</a>	03 September 2025	TBC

## Received Final Modification Reports since last Panel Meeting

Modification	Final Modification Report Received	Expected Decision Date
<a href="#">GC0169: Material changes arising from Grid Code Modification GC0136</a>	07 October 2025	TBC

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>



# Grid Code Development Forum – Update

Claire Newton, NESO

The GCDF meeting on 01 October was cancelled due to a lack of presentation items.

**The next GCDF will take place on Wednesday 05 November and the following agenda items will be covered:**

**Large Demand Technical Requirements** – A presentation outlining early thoughts on possible Grid Code requirements that align large demand sites with generators.

**GC0179: Removal of Balancing Code No.4 from the Grid Code** – An update and request for feedback on this modification removing the Trans-European Replacement Reserve Exchange (TERRE) process from Grid Code.

**Amending BSC Change Process for Changes Affecting NCER T&Cs** – A presentation providing details on a BSC modification that will incorporate the NCER change process within the BSC Modification Procedure.

**NESO Control Room Expectations in the Event of a Third-Party Failure of EDT** – An overview of the current process used by the NESO control room when there is a failure of EDT.

# Inflight Modification Updates

- [GC0103 The introduction of harmonised Applicable Electrical Standards in GB to ensure compliance with the EU Connection Codes Timeline Update](#)
- [GC0117: Improving transparency and consistency of access arrangements across GB by the creation of a pan-GB commonality of Power Station requirements](#)
- [GC0139: Enhanced Planning-Data Exchange to Facilitate Whole System Planning](#)
- [GC0155: Clarification of Fault Ride Through Technical Requirements](#)
- [GC0176: Introduction of Demand Control Rotation Protocol within Operating Code 6 of the Grid Code](#)

## GC0103 The introduction of harmonised Applicable Electrical Standards in GB to ensure compliance with the EU Connection Codes Timeline Update

	Workgroup Report issued to Panel	DFMR issued to Panel	FMR issued to Ofgem	Decision Date	Implementation Date
Previous timeline	22 October 2025	21 January 2026	10 February 2026	TBC	10 Business Days after Decision
New timeline	19 November 2025	21 January 2026	10 February 2026	TBC	10 Business Days after Decision

**Rationale:** After a review of the legal text following Panel feedback, it was determined that making minor amendments would enhance its clarity. This has resulted in a delay to the Workgroup Report being presented to the Panel, however this does not impact the overall timeline.

**Workgroups Remaining: 0**

GC0103 – the asks of Panel

- **AGREE** revised timeline

# GC0117: Improving transparency and consistency of access arrangements across GB by the creation of a pan-GB commonality of Power Station requirements

	Second Code Administrator Consultation issued to Panel	DFMR issued to Panel	FMR issued to Ofgem	Decision Date	Implementation Date
Previous timeline	N/A	N/A	N/A	TBC	10 BD after Decision
Presented at last Panel	21 January 2026	18 March 2026	09 April 2026	TBC	10 BD after Decision
New timeline	23 April 2026	22 July 2026	07 August 2026	TBC	10 BD after Decision

**Rationale:** To address concerns with the outdated CBA and interactivity with other industry developments outlined in the Authority Decision letter.

**Workgroups Remaining: 6**

GC0117 – the asks of Panel

- **AGREE** revised timeline

## GC0139: Enhanced Planning–Data Exchange to Facilitate Whole System Planning

	Workgroup Report issued to Panel	DFMR issued to Panel	FMR issued to Ofgem	Decision Date	Implementation Date
Previous timeline	21 October 2025	21 January 2026	10 February 2026	TBC	10 BD after Decision
New timeline	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	10 BD after Decision

**Rationale:** The Proposer is currently not available to attend Workgroups. The Workgroup believe they have met their Terms of Reference but would like to wait until the Proposer has returned to complete the Workgroup Vote.

### Workgroups Remaining: 1

### GC0139 – the asks of Panel

- **AGREE** revised timeline and agree to approving an updated timeline via email once the Proposer has returned.



## GC0155: Clarification of Fault Ride Through Technical Requirements

	Workgroup Report issued to Panel	DFMR issued to Panel	FMR issued to Ofgem	Decision Date	Implementation Date
Previous timeline	18 February 2026	15 April 2026	07 May 2026	TBC	10BD after Decision
New timeline	15 April 2026	17 June 2026	07 July 2026	TBC	10BD after Decision

**Rationale:** GC0155 Workgroup are requesting a two-month extension on the timeline due to quoracy issues and further clarity required on the scope of GC0155.

### Workgroups Remaining: 5

#### GC0155 – the asks of Panel

- **AGREE** revised timeline

## GC0176: Introduction of Demand Control Rotation Protocol within Operating Code 6 of the Grid Code

	Workgroup Report issued to Panel	DFMR issued to Panel	FMR issued to Ofgem	Decision Date	Implementation Date
Previous timeline	22 October 2025	21 January 2026	11 February 2026	TBC	10 BD after Decision
New timeline	19 November 2025	21 January 2026	11 February 2026	TBC	10 BD after Decision

**Rationale:** One Workgroup was cancelled due to illness which meant it would not be quorate. This has resulted in a delay to the Workgroup Report being presented to the Panel, however this does not impact the overall timeline.

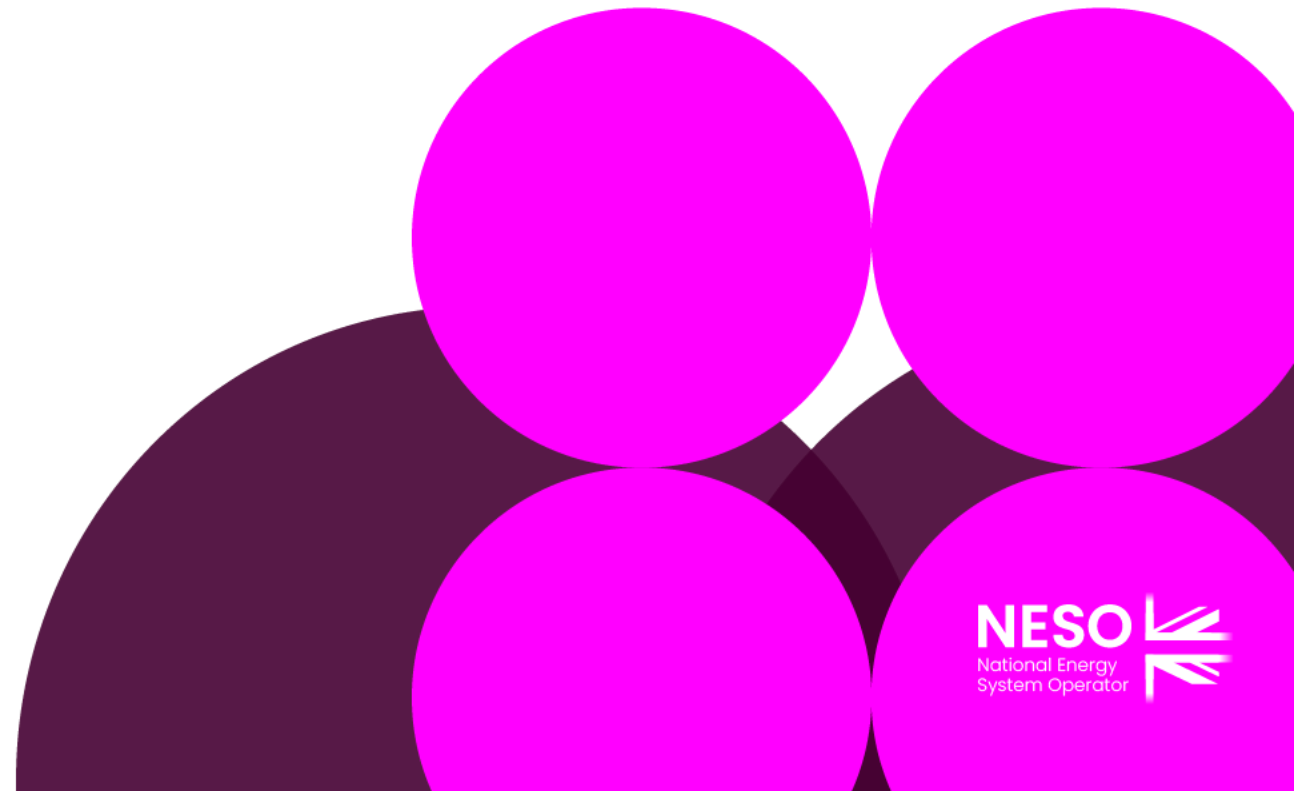
### Workgroups Remaining: 1

### GC0176 – the asks of Panel

- **AGREE** revised timeline

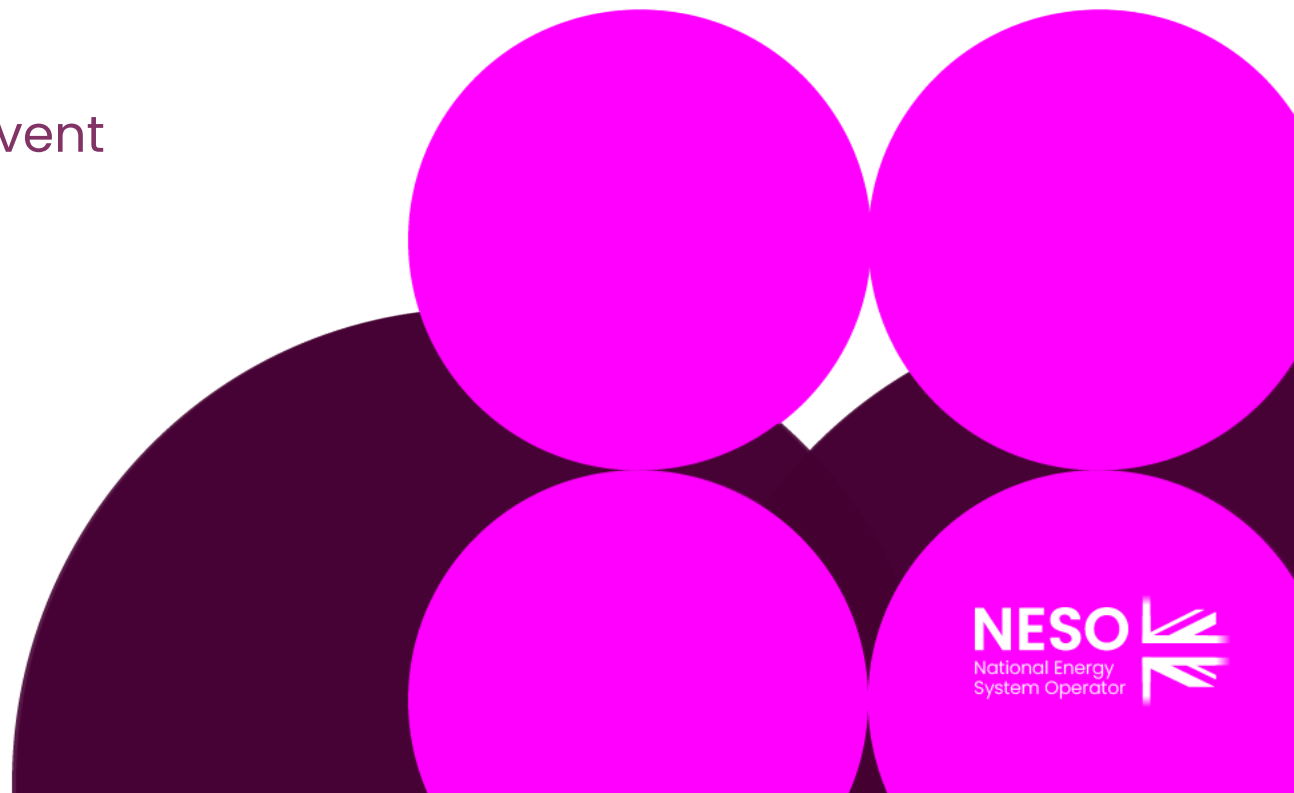
## **Panel Modification Tracker**

Claire Goult, Code Administrator



# Draft Final Modification Report

GC0183: Generator and Interconnector  
Availability During a Severe Space Weather Event  
Claire Goult, Code Administrator



# Solution

## **Solution:**

Generators, Interconnector Owners and Restoration Contractors to be obligated to notify NESO and the market about their intended position during severe space weather events, after NESO issues a relevant notification.



# Code Administrator Consultation Responses

## Responses

The Code Administrator Consultation ran from **19 September 2025 to 20 October 2025** and received **6 non-confidential responses**.

## Applicable Grid Code Objectives

- The following numbers of respondents believed the Original Proposal better facilitates each Grid Code Applicable Objective: **6 for (i), 4 for (ii), 6 for (iii), 1 for (iv), and 0 for (v)**.
- **Timeliness** and **NESO's ability to proactively manage scenarios were cited as benefits**, provided guidance is clear and actionable.
- Some respondents expressed **concerns about practical implementation**, the **need for clear guidance**, and the **status of REMIT notifications**. There were also **concerns about the risk of inconsistent or ambiguous reporting** if instructions are not explicit.

## Implementation approach

- **3 out of 6 respondents supported** the proposed implementation approach and **3 out of 6 did not**. One respondent noted that they expect the **upcoming SWIP protocol to clarify requirements**.
- Concerns were raised over the **10 Business Day implementation period being too short** (citing a lack of readiness for templates, pro-formas, updated systems, staff training). They **called for more guidance**, a **uniform compliance framework**, and **postponement of implementation until supporting materials are available**.

## Other comments

- **4 out of 6 respondents** provided additional comments, including a **call for clearer obligations** on **REMIT notifications, technical criteria**, and **cross-border coordination**.
- Some respondents **highlighted the risk of inconsistent reporting** and the need for **clarity on obligations for Generators**.

# Code Administrator Consultation Responses

## Assessment of impact on EBR Article 18

- **3 out of 6 respondents agreed** the modification impacts EBR Article 18 terms and conditions, **1 disagreed seeing no material impact**, and **2 did not respond**.
- One respondent confirmed that the proposal **may impact the price stack from Generators redeclaring availability** during imminent space weather, **therefore affecting the balancing mechanism**.
- **Another respondent disagreed with the assessment** based on there being no identified material impact.

## Impact of GC0183 on the EBR Objectives

- **2 out of 6 respondents provided comments** on the impact of GC0183 on the EBR objectives, **3 confirmed they did not have any comments**, and **1 failed to provide a response**.
- The proposal was seen as **promoting visibility and helping maintain system security**, consistent with EBR objectives. An **Interconnector respondent** noted that **most Interconnectors are unlikely to change their expected availability** due to insufficient information.

## Legal Text issues

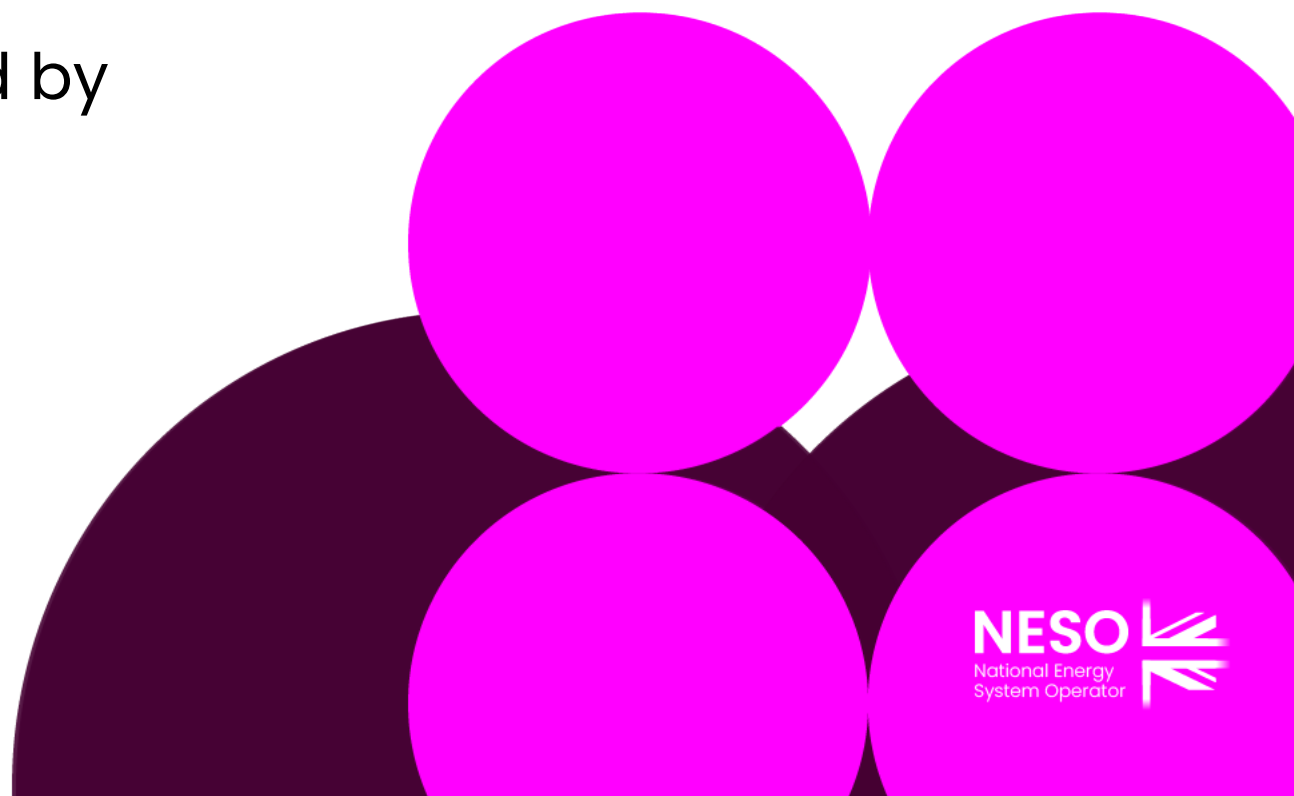
- One respondent noted a series of Legal Text issues as part of their response, suggesting that the draft **Legal Text lacks the level of clarity required** and **would benefit from further refinement**.
- These issues were reviewed by **NESO SMEs and NESO Legal**, who **concluded that they were not material** but there were **opportunities for improvement**. Following a meeting with the respondent and NESO SMEs, **the respondent confirmed they were content** with NESO's proposals to keep some text and amend others.

# GC0183

## Legal Text Proposed Amendments

**Red text** – New legal text introduced by GC0183 to the Grid Code

**Blue text** – Proposed amendments following Panel member review



## GC0183 Legal Text Suggested Amendments – Glossary & Definitions

Legal Text Definition	Text consulted on at Code Administrator Consultation	Proposed changes
<b>Space Weather Imminent Notification</b>	A notification issued by <b>The Company</b> following Met Office guidance of imminent space weather of a nature and anticipated level of G5 (using the Met Office ranking). A <b>Space Weather Imminent Notification</b> is likely to be issued (by <b>The Company</b> ) 20 to 60 minutes ahead of a space weather event being forecast to impact the <b>NETS</b> .	A notification issued by <b>The Company</b> following Met Office guidance of imminent space weather of a nature and anticipated level of G5 (using the Met Office ranking). A <b>Space Weather Imminent Notification</b> is likely to be issued <del>(by The Company)</del> 20 to 60 minutes ahead of a space weather event being forecast to impact the <b>NETS</b> .
<b>Space Weather Outcome Statement</b>	A statement that is issued by the <b>User</b> to <b>The Company</b> where, following the issuing of a <b>Space Weather Experienced Notification</b> , their <b>Plant</b> or <b>Apparatus</b> has seen or experienced impacts that they believe, at the time, are or may be of a nature consistent with a space weather event.	A statement that is issued by <del>the</del> <b>User</b> to <b>The Company</b> where, following the issuing of a <b>Space Weather Experienced Notification</b> , their <b>Plant</b> or <b>Apparatus</b> has seen or experienced impacts that they believe, at the time, are or may be of a nature consistent with a space weather event.

## GC0183 Legal Text Suggested Amendments – Operating Code 2

Legal Text Clause	Text consulted on at Code Administrator Consultation	Proposed changes
OC2.5.1 (a)	within 3 hours of <b>The Company</b> issuing a <b>Space Weather Prepare Notification</b> submit a <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declaration</b> to <b>The Company</b> (for the avoidance of doubt where no <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declaration</b> is submitted, <b>The Company</b> shall assume there to have been a declaration stating no impact to availability due to space weather). In the case of <b>Interconnector Owners</b> , they may take such steps that they consider appropriate to inform any relevant parties (such as, but not limited to, any other TSO (as defined in <b>Assimilated Law</b> ) and market participants) as they consider to be appropriate. For the avoidance of doubt, <b>The Company</b> shall be able to inform any relevant parties of any space weather related notifications it has issued in accordance with the Grid Code; and	within 3 hours of <b>The Company</b> issuing a <b>Space Weather Prepare Notification</b> submit a <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declaration</b> to <b>The Company</b> (for the avoidance of doubt where no <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declaration</b> is submitted, <b>The Company</b> shall assume there to have been a declaration stating no impact to availability due to space weather). In the case of <b>Interconnector Owners</b> , they may take such steps that they consider appropriate to inform any relevant parties (such as, but not limited to, any other <b>Transmission System Operator (TSO)</b> (as defined in <b>Assimilated Law</b> ) and market participants) as they consider to be appropriate. For the avoidance of doubt, <b>The Company</b> shall be able to inform any relevant parties of any space weather related notifications it has issued in accordance with the Grid Code; and



## GC0183 Legal Text Suggested Amendments – Operating Code 2

Legal Text Clause	Text consulted on at Code Administrator Consultation	Proposed changes
OC2.5.3	Where a <b>Space Weather Experienced Notification</b> is issued by <b>The Company</b> then the <b>User</b> where relevant shall submit a <b>Space Weather Outcome Statement</b> as soon as reasonably practicable.	Where a <b>Space Weather Experienced Notification</b> is issued by <b>The Company</b> then the <b>User</b> , where relevant, shall submit a <b>Space Weather Outcome Statement</b> as soon as reasonably practicable.
OC2.5.4	Where a <b>Space Weather Outcome Statement</b> has been submitted to <b>The Company</b> , this may be shared by <b>The Company</b> with the Met Office, the <b>Authority</b> and the <b>Secretary of State</b> (or such other person or team nominated by them to act on their behalf with respect to receiving <b>Space Weather Outcome Statements</b> ). Where any other <b>User(s)</b> has neighbouring <b>Plant</b> and <b>Apparatus</b> (being in close electrical proximity to the asset(s) to which the <b>Space Weather Outcome Statement</b> relates) which might also be affected, <b>The Company</b> will seek the agreement of the <b>User</b> to share that information with the neighbouring asset <b>User(s)</b> . Such agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld.	Where a <b>Space Weather Outcome Statement</b> has been submitted to <b>The Company</b> , this may be shared by <b>The Company</b> with the Met Office, the <b>Authority</b> and the <b>Secretary of State</b> (or such other person or team nominated by them to act on their behalf with respect to receiving <b>Space Weather Outcome Statements</b> ). Where any other <b>User(s)</b> has neighbouring <b>Plant</b> and <b>Apparatus</b> (being in close electrical proximity to the asset(s) to which the <b>Space Weather Outcome Statement</b> relates) which might also be affected, <b>The Company</b> will seek the agreement of the <b>User</b> to share that information with the neighbouring <del>asset</del> <b>User(s)</b> . Such agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld.

## GC0183 Legal Text Suggested Amendments – Operating Code 2

Legal Text Clause	Text consulted on at Code Administrator Consultation	Proposed changes
OC2.5.5	Where <b>The Company</b> issues a <b>Space Weather Cessation Notification</b> in accordance with OC7.4.9 following the issuing of a <b>Space Weather Imminent Notification</b> or a <b>Space Weather Experienced Notification</b> this will revert to a <b>Space Weather Prepare Notification</b> stage. <b>Generators, Interconnector Owners and Restoration Contractors</b> shall, within 3 hours of the issuing of a <b>Space Weather Cessation Notification</b> , submit any revision to their <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declaration</b> to <b>The Company</b> (for the avoidance of doubt where such notification is not provided to <b>The Company</b> , then the <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declaration</b> as submitted under OC2.5.1(a) or OC2.5.2(a) will prevail).	Where <b>The Company</b> issues a <b>Space Weather Cessation Notification</b> in accordance with OC7.4.9 following the issuing of a <b>Space Weather Imminent Notification</b> or a <b>Space Weather Experienced Notification</b> this will revert to a <b>Space Weather Prepare Notification</b> <del>stage</del> <sup>level</sup> . <b>Generators, Interconnector Owners and Restoration Contractors</b> shall, within 3 hours of the issuing of a <b>Space Weather Cessation Notification</b> , submit any revision to their <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declaration</b> to <b>The Company</b> (for the avoidance of doubt where such notification is not provided to <b>The Company</b> , then the <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declaration</b> as submitted under OC2.5.1(a) or OC2.5.2(a) will prevail).

## GC0183 Legal Text Suggested Amendments – Operating Code 2

Legal Text Clause	Text consulted on at Code Administrator Consultation	Proposed changes
OC2.5.6	Where <b>The Company</b> issues a <b>Space Weather Cancellation Notification</b> in accordance with OC7.4.9 following the issuing of a <b>Space Weather Prepare Notification, Space Weather Imminent Notification</b> or a <b>Space Weather Experienced Notification</b> , then the <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declarations</b> as submitted under OC2.5.1 or OC2.5.2 shall cease to have effect and <b>User's Plant</b> and <b>Apparatus</b> availability shall return to service in the timescales set out in the <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declaration</b> previously submitted.	Where <b>The Company</b> issues a <b>Space Weather Cancellation Notification</b> in accordance with OC7.4.9 following the issuing of a <b>Space Weather Prepare Notification, Space Weather Imminent Notification</b> or a <b>Space Weather Experienced Notification</b> , then the <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declarations</b> as submitted under OC2.5.1 or OC2.5.2 shall cease to have effect and <b>User's Plant</b> and <b>Apparatus</b> availability shall return to <b>normal</b> service in the timescales set out in the <b>Space Weather Output Usable Declaration</b> previously submitted.

# Code Administrator Consultation – Legal Text Changes.

## What do the Grid Code Governance Rules say?

GR.22.4

A draft of the **Grid Code Modification Report** shall be tabled at a meeting of the **Grid Code Review Panel** prior to submission of that **Grid Code Modification Report** to the **Authority** as set in accordance with the timetable established pursuant to GR.19.1, and at which the **Panel** may consider any minor changes to the legal drafting, which may include

any issues identified through the **Code Administrator** consultation, and:

- (i) if the change required is a typographical error the **Grid Code Review Panel** may instruct the **Code Administrator** to make the appropriate change and the **Panel Chairman** will undertake the **Grid Code Review Panel Recommendation Vote**; or
- (ii) if the change required is not considered to be a typographical error then the **Grid Code Review Panel** may direct the **Workgroup** to review the change. If the **Workgroup** unanimously agree that the change is minor the **Grid Code Review Panel** may instruct the **Code Administrator** to make the appropriate change and the **Panel Chairman** will undertake the **Grid Code Review Panel Recommendation Vote**, otherwise for changes that are not considered to be minor the **Code Administrator** shall issue the **Grid Code Modification Proposal** for further **Code Administrator** consultation, after which the **Panel Chairman** will undertake the **Grid Code Review Panel Recommendation Vote**; or
- (iv) if a change is not required after consideration, the **Panel Chairman** will undertake the **Grid Code Review Panel Recommendation Vote**.

**Code Admin must present the proposed legal text changes**

**Panel have 3 choices:**

- **Agree the changes are typographical and instruct Code Admin to make the change under GR.22.4(i). Then we carry out Recommendation Vote; or**
- **Agree the changes are not needed under GR.22.4(iv). Then we carry out Recommendation Vote; or**
- **Under GR.22.4(ii) Direct the Workgroup to review the changes or ask for a further Code Administrator Consultation to be issued**

## Annex 06 Notification Process Flow Suggested Amendments

On the process flows, should “NESO issues a **Space Weather Expected Notification...**” read “NESO issues a **Space Weather Experienced Notification...**”?



# EBR Article 3 Objectives

For reference, the Electricity Balancing Regulation (EBR) Article 3 (Objectives and regulator aspects) are:

1. This Regulations aims at:

1. Fostering effective competition, non-discrimination and transparency in balancing markets;
2. enhancing efficiency of balancing as well as efficiency of national balancing markets;
3. integrating balancing markets and promoting the possibilities for exchanges of balancing services while contributing to operational security;
4. contributing to the efficient long-term operation and development of the electricity transmission system and electricity sector while facilitating the efficient and consistent functioning of day-ahead, intraday and balancing markets;
5. ensuring that the procurement of balancing services is fair, objective, transparent and market-based, avoids undue barriers to entry for new entrants, fosters the liquidity of balancing markets while preventing undue market distortions;
6. facilitating the participation of demand response including aggregation facilities and energy storage while ensuring they compete with other balancing services at a level playing field and, where necessary, act independently when serving a single demand facility;
7. facilitating the participation of renewable energy sources and supporting the achievement of any target specified in an enactment for the share of energy from renewable sources.

# GC0183 Asks of Panel

- **AGREE** whether or not the proposed changes to the legal text are typographical
- **NOTE** that this Modification does impact the Electricity Balancing Regulation (EBR) Article 18 terms and conditions held within the Grid Code?
- Do you have any comments as to whether or not the proposed changes concur with the EBR Article 3 Objectives?
- **VOTE** whether or not to recommend implementation

# GC0183 Next Steps

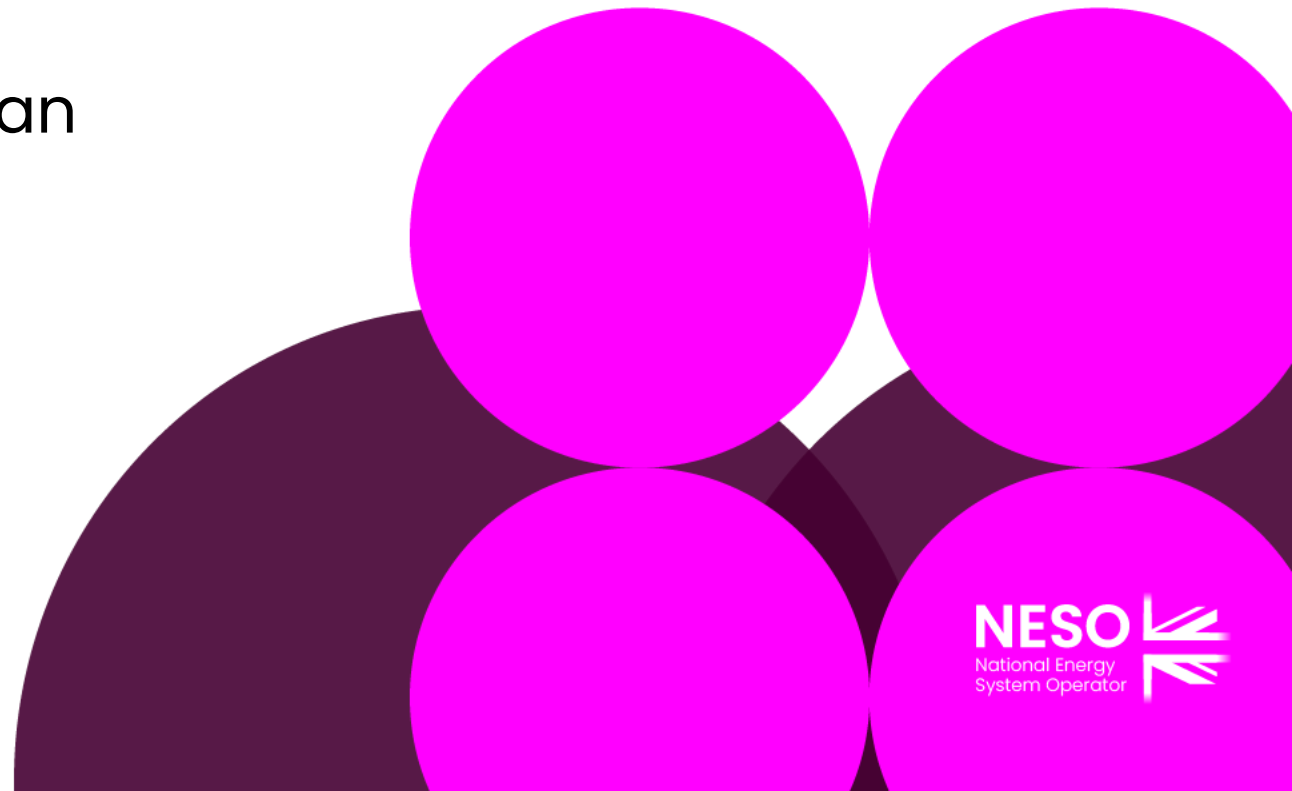
Milestone	Date
Final Modification Report issued to Panel to check votes recorded correctly (5 Business Days)	30 October 2025
Submission of Final Modification Report to Ofgem	30 October 2025
Ofgem decision date	TBC
Implementation Date	10 Business Days after Authority Decision

# Prioritisation Stack

Mod Number	Previous Priority No:	Priority No	Title
GC0183	1	(1 before CAC)	Generator and Interconnector Availability During a Severe Space Weather Event
GC0139	2	1	Enhanced Planning Data Exchange to Facilitate Whole System Planning
GC0155	3	2	Clarification of Fault Ride Through Technical Requirements
GC0176	4	3	Introduction of Demand Control Rotation Protocol within Operating Code 6 of the Grid Code
GC0178	5	4	Temporary Overvoltage - Specification of Limits and Clarification of Obligations
GC0117	6	5	Improving transparency and consistency of access arrangements across GB by the creation of a pan-GB commonality of Power Station requirements
GC0182	7	6	Standardisation of Power Flow Metering Polarity
GC0168	8	7	Submission of Electro Magnetic Transient (EMT) Models
GC0173	9	(8 before CAC)	Consistency of Technical and Compliance Requirements between GB and European Users
GC0164	10	8	Simplification of Operating Code No.2
GC0181	11	9	Enhance the Effectiveness of System Incidents Reporting
GC0103	12	10	The introduction of harmonised Applicable Electrical Standards in GB to ensure compliance with the EU Connection Codes
GC0140	13	11	Grid Code Sandbox: enabling derogation from certain obligations to support small-scale trials of innovative propositions

## Governance Update

EBR Article 18 – Steve Wright, European  
Codes





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# Article 18 proposal

30<sup>th</sup> October 2025



# What is EBR?

- The Electricity Balancing Guideline (EBGL) is a European Network Code introduced by the Third Energy Package European legislation in late 2017.
- This regulation aims to standardise electricity balancing procurement and settlement across EU member states.
- The Electricity Balancing Regulation (EBR – EU Regulation 2017/2195) is the regulation which has been **retained and amended in GB law** following GB exit from Europe, as Statutory Instrument (SI) 2020 No. 1006

# What is Article 18?

- Sets out the rules for creating markets and how balancing products should be set up across the GB market.
- States that Transmission System Operators (TSOs) (NESO) should have terms and conditions developed for balancing services, which are submitted to and approved by Ofgem.
- States that the terms and conditions related to balancing should be developed by NESO
- NESO is responsible for managing change and maintaining the T&Cs relating to balancing for balancing service providers (BSPs) and balance responsible parties (BRPs).



# Why does Article 18 matter?

## Ensuring compliance with retained EU law

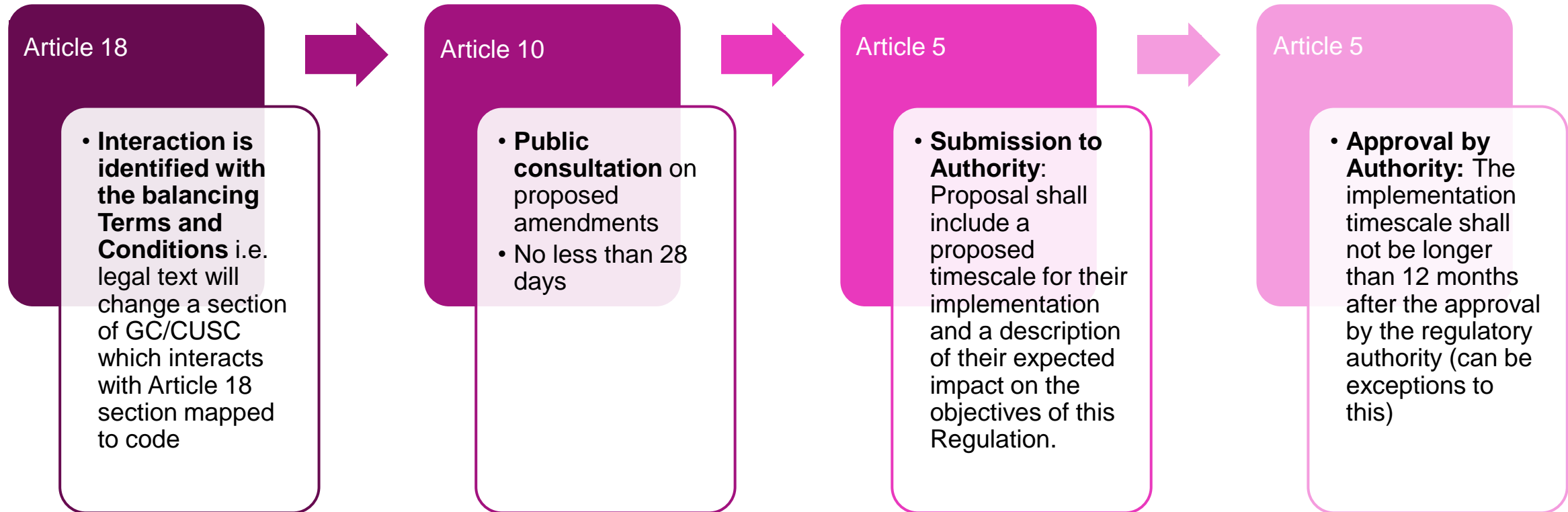
**Amendments to T&Cs for  
new/existing balancing  
services**

- NESO is responsible for proposing amendments to its terms and conditions relating to balancing specifically to update the terms and conditions for any new or existing balancing services.

**Amendments to T&Cs resulting  
from Code Modifications**

- The various mods for Article 18 were designed to ensure that the GB mod processes in those codes also included steps to make it legally compliant with the EBR change processes
- NESO is responsible for managing change to balancing T&Cs within Grid Code/CUSC

# What is the change process?



# Gap in the current process?

- The current process is clear on what happens when a code mod affects a regulated section.
- A previous panel raised the question of what happens when a **new section** to be added to Grid Code (that is obviously not listed in Annex GR.B), but is relevant to a regulated section.
- Proposal comprises three elements:
  - New flow chart to assist with decision making
  - New step in the critical friend check
  - Consideration of the addition of the new reference to Annex GR.B – would this be part of the overall code mod?

# Art.18 mapping – legal review

- An Art.18 mapping document is created for all new balancing products and services.
- Forms part of the Art.18 consultation documentation for review by industry.
- NESO are currently undertaking a review of the principles and granularity of the mapping.
- A change to the mapping to sections of Grid Code and CUSC will result in amendments to Annex GR.B and Exhibit Y which will drive code modifications.

## Standing Items

*Updates on all developments relevant to Grid Code Panel e.g. potential for future governance changes or modifications*

- Distribution Code Panel update (Alan Creighton)
- JESG Update (information only)
  - Previous meeting – 14 October 2025 [Meeting materials and Headline Report](#)
  - Next meeting – 11 November 2025

## Updates on other industry codes

26 September 2025 CUSC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

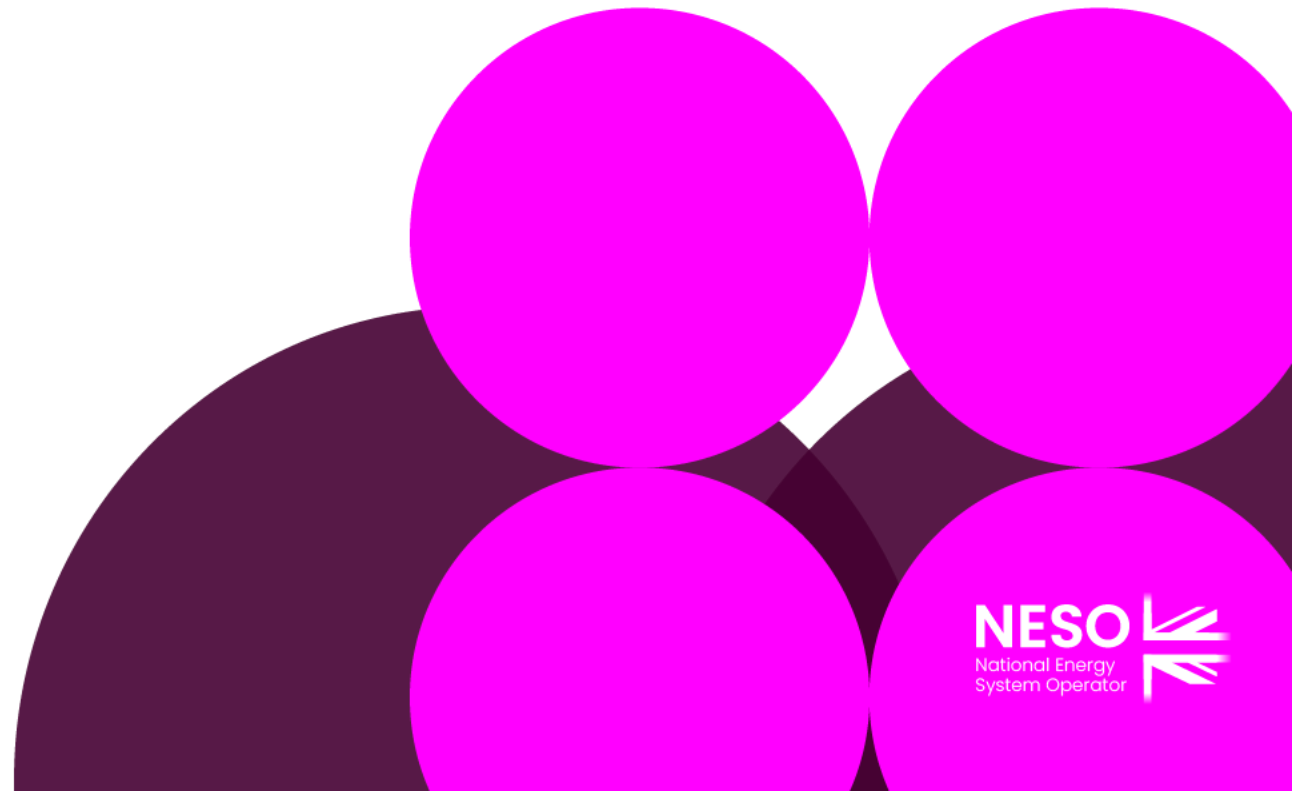
15 October 2025 CUSC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

29 October 2025 STC [Panel Papers and Headline Report](#)

13 November 2025 BSC [Panel Documents](#)

# Electrical Standards Update

Claire Goult, Code Administrator



## Any other business

1. The proposal in Ofgem's current Sector Specific Methodology Consultation of:

a. 'keeping reactive power within a power factor envelope of 0.95 lead to 0.95 lag at the Distribution / Transmission boundary. We recognise that to may also be appropriate for this requirement to be included in the Grid Code.'

b. The proposal in Ofgem's Sector Specific Methodology Consultation of 'completing the voltage reductions requested through OC6 within 5 minutes of the request'.

For both of these I was wondering if NESO have been involved discussions with Ofgem and whether there were any related initiatives in the GCode Horizon Scan / forward work programme.

2 In relation to LFDD, I was wondering if there are any NESO groups actively considering future LFDD requirements. This is of interest to DNOs in the context of ED3.

**Alan Creighton**



# Activities ahead of the next Panel Meeting

<b>Grid Code Development Forum</b>	05 November 2025
<b>Modification Proposal Deadline for November Panel</b>	12 November 2025
<b>Papers Day</b>	19 November 2025
<b>Panel Meeting</b>	27 November 2025 Teams

# Close

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