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SQSS Modification Proposal Form

GSR037: Formatting and Housekeeping

Overview: This modification aims to make the System Quality of Supply Standard (SQSS) a more readable, user-friendly document.

Modification process & timetable



Status summary: The Proposer has raised a modification and is seeking a decision from the Panel on the governance route to be taken.

This modification is expected to have a: Low Impact on Transmission Owners, Offshore Transmission Owners, Distribution Network Operators, National Energy System Operator and the Authority.

Proposer's recommendation of governance route	Standard Governance modification to proceed to Code Administrator Consultation	
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What is the issue?

The SQSS document currently contains a significant number of formatting inconsistencies, structural issues, and referencing errors. These challenges make it difficult to efficiently develop and implement other code modifications, as Users often struggle to navigate and interpret the document in its existing form.

This modification seeks to address these issues by undertaking a comprehensive housekeeping exercise aimed at improving the clarity, consistency, and usability of the System Quality of Supply Standard (SQSS).

Why change?

The SQSS document is not easily accessible and not of a user-friendly standard. This will better support stakeholders when reviewing requirements, drafting changes, and ensuring alignment with the wider suite of industry codes and governance processes.

What is the Proposer’s solution?

The Proposer has drafted an updated SQSS document aimed at improving clarity, accessibility, and ease of use for all stakeholders..

Legal text

The updates include restructuring the definitions section into a table to improve clarity, renumbering Section J to simplify its layout and align it with the rest of the SQSS, and applying consistent formatting across the entire document.

What is the impact of this change?

Proposer’s assessment against SQSS Objectives	
Relevant Objective	Identified impact
(a) facilitate the planning, development and maintenance of an efficient, coordinated and economical system of electricity transmission, and the operation of that system in an efficient, economic and coordinated manner;	<p>Positive</p> <p>Parties should be better able to review their respective</p>

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	responsibilities within the SQSS
(b) ensure an appropriate level of security and quality of supply and safe operation of the National Electricity Transmission System;	Neutral
(c) facilitate effective competition in the generation and supply of electricity, and (so far as consistent therewith) facilitating such competition in the distribution of electricity; and	Neutral
(d) facilitate Licensees to comply with any relevant obligations under Assimilated law	Neutral

Proposer's assessment of the impact of the modification on the stakeholder / consumer benefit categories

Stakeholder / consumer benefit categories	Identified impact
Improved safety and reliability of the system	Neutral
Lower bills than would otherwise be the case	Neutral
Benefits for society as a whole	Neutral
Reduced environmental damage	Neutral
Improved quality of service	Neutral

When will this change take place?

Implementation date

10 Business days after Authority decision.

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Date decision required by

As soon as possible.

Implementation approach

No processes or systems affected.

Proposer’s justification for governance route

Governance route: Standard Governance modification to proceed to Code Administrator Consultation

As this modification is housekeeping, it does not require a Workgroup.

Interactions

- Grid Code BSC STC CUSC
- European Other Other
- Network Codes modifications

No interactions.

Acronyms, key terms, and reference material

Acronym / key term Meaning	
BSC	Balancing and Settlement Code
CUSC	Connection and Use of System Code
STC	System Operator Transmission Owner Code
SQSS	Security and Quality of Supply Standards
TSO	Transmission System Operator

Annex	Content
Annex 01	GSR037 Legal Text