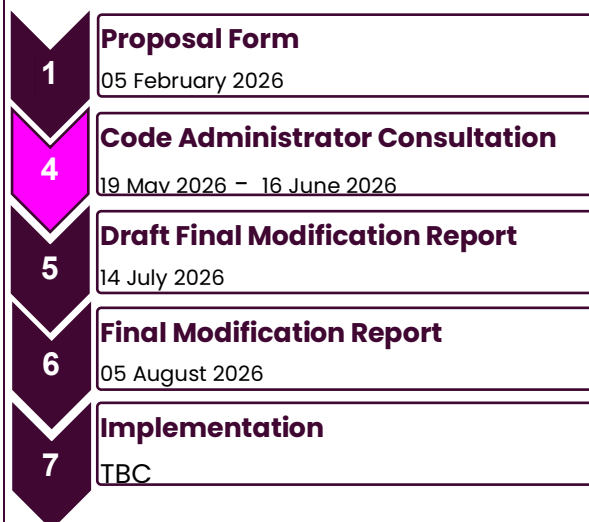


## Code Administrator Consultation

# 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



**Have 5 minutes?** Read our [Executive summary](#)

**Have 20 minutes?** Read the full Code Administrator Consultation

**Have 180 minutes?** Read the full Code Administrator Consultation and Annexes.

#### Status summary:

We are now consulting on this proposed change.

**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.

<b>Governance route</b>	Standard Governance modification to proceed to Code Administrator Consultation
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<b>How do I respond?</b>	Send your response proforma to <a href="mailto:box.SQSS@neso.energy">box.SQSS@neso.energy</a> by <b>5pm</b> on <b>16 June 2026</b>
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## What is the issue?

The System Quality of Supply Standard (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 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 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 but are not limited to 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. The legal text can be seen in **Annex 01**.

**The Proposer asks consultees to take special care to review changes to sections 6.1, 11, and J, to check that the restructuring has not inadvertently changed SQSS requirements.**

## Issues Not Addressed

A list of issues that were not addressed can be seen in **Annex 02**. These issues will be addressed in a subsequent SQSS modification.

### 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;	<b>Positive</b>  Parties should be better able to review their respective responsibilities within the SQSS
(b) ensure an appropriate level of security and quality of supply and safe operation of the National Electricity Transmission System;	<b>Neutral</b>
(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	<b>Neutral</b>
(d) facilitate Licensees to comply with any relevant obligations under Assimilated law	<b>Neutral</b>

## 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.

### 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.

## How to respond

### Code Administrator Consultation questions

- Please provide your assessment for the proposed solution against the Applicable Objectives versus the current baseline.
- Do you support the proposed implementation approach?
- Do you have any other comments?

Views are invited on the proposals outlined in this consultation, which should be received by **5pm on 16 June 2026**. Please send your response to [box.sqss@neso.energy](mailto:box.sqss@neso.energy) using the response pro-forma which can be found on the [modification page](#).

*If you wish to submit a confidential response, mark the relevant box on your consultation proforma. Confidential responses will be disclosed to the Authority in full but, unless agreed otherwise, will not be shared with the Panel or the industry and may therefore not influence the debate to the same extent as a non-confidential response.*

## Acronyms, key terms and reference material

Acronym / key term	Meaning
<b>BSC</b>	Balancing and Settlement Code

<b>CUSC</b>	Connection and Use of System Code
<b>STC</b>	System Operator Transmission Owner Code
<b>SQSS</b>	Security and Quality of Supply Standards
<b>TSO</b>	Transmission System Operator

### Reference material

No reference material.

### Annexes

Annex	Information
Annex 01	GSR037 Legal Text
Annex 02	List of Issues Not Addressed