

## **Distribution Code Review Panel**

**Meeting 64 – 8 June 2017**

### **Modifications to Distribution Code – Update**

#### **Paper by Code Administrator**

This paper provides the Panel with a short update on the progress of current Distribution Code Modification..

#### **DCRP/17/01 - Transmission System Operation Guidelines Implementation – Report to Authority**

TSOG is expected to come into force mid 2017. The TSOG sets minimum system security, operational planning and frequency management standards to ensure safe and coordinated system operation across Europe; creating a standardised framework within which regional cooperation, including balancing markets, can be implemented. New concepts and initiatives which are introduced as part of TSOG will result in some changes to the Distribution Code. Most articles of the TSOG have a delayed implementation period, with different articles becoming effective at 12 months, 18 months or 2 years after Entry into Force (EIF). Some articles are immediately effective.

The key driver for the proposed modification DCRP/17/01 is to ensure the Distribution Code is compliant with the requirements of TSOG. The suggested changes are to the Distribution Operating Code (DOC) 7 (to implement article 54.2 TSOG) and DOC 5 (to implement article 54.3 TSOG).

On 28 April the Authority approved the modification.

#### **DCRP/17/02 - Licence Condition 21 and SCR (CGR3) –Report to Authority**

Modification Proposal DCRP/17/02: Align the Distribution Code and Distribution Code Constitution and Rules with changes to the Significant Code Review requirements seeks to align the Distribution Code with the licence changes made by Ofgem to deliver more flexibility to the modification process. It included legal text that seeks to modify the Distribution Code Introduction to include a fourth Applicable Objective. DCRP/17/02 also proposes to amend section 21 of the Distribution Code.

On 31 March the Authority approved the modification.

#### **Distribution Code Guidance Note 3 – Update**

Guidance Note 3 relates to the changes to G83 undertaken in 2010 and the subsequent issues associated with the Stirling Engine and the subsequent derogation. The deadline for the derogation was 31/12/16. As a result the deadline has been removed and manufacturers of Stirling engine technology are now directed to comply with the requirements for emerging technology contained in the RfG Network Code.

#### **Publication of revised Distribution Code v28 and DCRP Rules & Constitution.**

As a result of the above approved modifications and revision to GN3 a revised Distribution Code and revised DCRP Constitution & Rules were both published on 1 May 2017.