

## **Minutes of Distribution Code Review Panel Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2013**

<b><u>Present:</u></b>	Derek Hynes (DH)	Chairman
	Paul Harrington (PHR)	Secretary
	Paul Hickey (PH)	DSO Representative
	Nigel Morris (NM)	CER Representative
	Ciarán Donnelly (CD)	Embedded Generators Representative
	David Cashman (DC)	TSO Representative
	Tony Hearne (TH)	DSO Representative
	Sean Doolin (SD)	PES Representative
	Stephen Walsh (SW)	ESB Networks
	Keith Moore (KM)	ESB Networks

<b><u>Apologies:</u></b>	Catherine Joyce-O’Caollai	Major Customers Representative
	Ciarán O’Brien	Independent Suppliers Representative
	John McAuley	ETCI Representative
	Rónán Ó hÓgartaigh	DSO Representative

### 1. Review of Previous Minutes

- The minutes of the last DCRP meeting (25<sup>th</sup> September 2013) were accepted by all.

### 2. Proposed Distribution Code Modifications

#### **a) #25 – Registered Capacity**

- TH presented the revised modification proposal wording.
- Issues regarding the controllability and retrospection implications of this modification were discussed.

#### **Conclusion:**

- o No consensus reached on the issues raised.
- o DH to convene a subgroup of the DCRP to discuss the issues raised by this modification and to agree a solution. Revised modification proposal to then be submitted to the DCRP Secretary.

#### **b) #26 –Rate of Change of Frequency Requirements for Users**

- SW outlined the amended modification proposal to the DCRP.

#### **Conclusion:**

- o SW to amend modification proposal to include the deletion of Table 6, DCC11.3.1 and to include a glossary definition of Rate of Change of Frequency.
- o DCRP recommended implementation of this modification proposal once these changes are made, with no further review necessary.
- o CER expected to approve modification #26 when the associated Grid Code modification has been approved.

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### **c) #27 – Distribution Code Review Panel Membership and Constitution**

- DH outlined the amended modification proposal to the DCRP.
- DH highlighted that DCRP material is available on ESB Networks website as follows:
  - Distribution Code Modifications: [http://www.esb.ie/esbnetworks/en/about-us/our\\_networks/distribution\\_code\\_modifications.jsp](http://www.esb.ie/esbnetworks/en/about-us/our_networks/distribution_code_modifications.jsp)
  - DCRP Minutes: [http://www.esb.ie/esbnetworks/en/about-us/our\\_networks/distribution\\_code\\_review.jsp](http://www.esb.ie/esbnetworks/en/about-us/our_networks/distribution_code_review.jsp)

#### **Conclusion:**

- o DCRP recommended implementation of the modification proposal.

### 3. Suggested Future Distribution Code Modifications

#### **a) #28 – Distribution Code Modification Implementation Process**

- Relatively large number (compared to the past) of D-Code modifications forecast.
- DH outlined the proposal to the DCRP:
  - Modifications are proposed to the DCRP and consulted through the Panel;
  - Two aspects to be considered: (i) technical and commercial justification for modification, (ii) technical and commercial justification for retrospection/non-retrospection;
  - Retrospection is not mandatory - justification for retrospection/non-retrospection of modification to be made by the User/SO proposing the modification;
  - CER to decide on modification proposal where unanimous agreement cannot be reached by DCRP.
  - Modification is approved/rejected (by CER) with decision to approve/reject proposals on retrospection and/or immediate application
- Decision to be made on where the Modification Implementation Process should reside, e.g. in Distribution Code, in Constitution and Rules of DCRP or in a CER-published document.

#### **Conclusion:**

- o DH to review comments received and will write to DCRP members and to CER. DH to then submit modification proposal to the DCRP Secretary.

### 4. Update on the implementation of approved modifications #22, #23 and #24

- Approved by CER on October 8<sup>th</sup> 2013.
- ESB wrote to all customers affected by the modifications on November 13<sup>th</sup> 2013.
- Derogation submission deadline is April 2014 (i.e. 6 months from modification approval).
- Compliance deadline is October 2014 (i.e. 12 months from modification approval).
- The process is independent of the Operational Categorisation process.

### 5. Any other business

- None

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6. Next Meeting Dates:

- The following dates were proposed for the 2014 meetings of the DCRP:
  - Meeting 1: Tuesday 4th March
  - Meeting 2: Tuesday 10th June
  - Meeting 3: Tuesday 2nd September
  - Meeting 4: Tuesday 2nd December

**Paul Harrington,  
Secretary.**

10<sup>th</sup> December 2013.