

Headline Report

Meeting name	Joint European Standing Group (JESG)
Meeting number	33
Date of meeting	19 February 2015
Location	Elexon Offices, 350 Euston Road, London, NW1 3AW

This note sets out the headlines of the most recent meeting of the Joint European Standing Group (JESG). The note is provided in addition to the presentations from the meeting which are available on the JESG website¹ and material in the presentations is not duplicated in the report.

1. JESG Action Log Review

The current version of the JESG Action Log, including any additions from this meeting, is attached to this Headline Report.

2. Grid Connection Network Codes:

Requirements for Generators (RfG)

- The Requirements for Generators Network Code is currently in the Comitology phase of the development process with discussions at the Cross-Border Committee. A new version of RfG was released to Member States in January shortly followed by a DECC/Ofgem GB Stakeholder meeting. The first formal Cross-Border Committee meeting on RfG was held on the 4 February 2015.
- There were no major causes for concern with the new version of RfG and most Member States were in support of a 3 year window for implementation as opposed to the 2 year window detailed in the new draft.
- RfG is expected to continue through the Cross-Border Committee meetings with voting anticipated to take place in June 2015.

Demand Connection Code (DCC)

- The European Commission have indicated that the next Comitology meeting may also discuss DCC however there has been no further indication of when an updated version of DCC would be received and no further information has been issued by the European Commission on the progress of DCC through the Comitology process.

HVDC Network Code

- No further information has been issued by the European Commission on the progress of HVDC through the Comitology process.
- No further update on HVDC was provided at the meeting.

3. Market Network Codes (CACM, FCA and Balancing Network Code):

Capacity Allocation and Congestion Management Network Code (CACM)

- CACM is currently with the European Parliament and Council for approval. It is expected to be published, and enter in to law around June 2015.
- The afternoon session of February's JESG will cover a CACM Mapping Workshop lead by Ofgem.

Forward Capacity Allocation Network Code (FCA)

- The European Commission has indicated that FCA will start Comitology in May, no further details have been provided by the European Commission on the progress of FCA through the Comitology process.
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¹ <http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Electricity-codes/Standing-groups/Joint-European-standing-group/>

Electricity Balancing Network Code (EB NC)

- The Balancing Network Code is currently with ACER for which their opinion is expected by the end of March 2015, no further information has been provided by the European Commission.
- No further update on Balancing was provided at the meeting.

4. System Operation Network Codes

Operational Security (OS), Operational Planning & Scheduling (OP&S) and Load Frequency Control and Reserves (LFCR) Network Codes

- The European Commission has indicated the System Operation Network Codes may be merged to form one guideline. However, nothing has yet been formally confirmed.

Emergency and Restoration Network Code (ER)

- Paul Wakeley (NGET) presented on behalf of Peter Chandler (NGET) on the latest updates on the Emergency and Restoration Network Code.
- The Emergency and Restoration Network Code is the last of the initial ten priority European Network Codes (ENCs) to go through the development process. Following the public consultations held from November 2014 – January 2015, ENTSO-E hosted a public workshop at which they discussed the latest draft version of the network code on 12 February 2015 in Brussels.
- Paul Wakeley presented the areas discussed at the February Public Consultation which covered, 'General Provisions', 'System Defence Plan', 'Restoration Plan', 'Market Interactions', 'Information Exchange and Communication, Tools and Facilities', 'Compliance Testing and Review'. For more information, please refer to the slide accompanying this meeting.
- ENTSO-E is currently revising the ER ENC and it is anticipated they will submit to ACER for review on 1 April 2015. ACER will then have a 3 month review to assess the network code against the framework guidelines.
- JESG Stakeholders discussed the potential for a JESG Subgroup on the Emergency and Restoration Network Code to take place in April (avoiding the Easter period) to allow for GB Stakeholder views on the final version of the network code to be captured and inform Ofgem ahead of ACERs review.

5. GB Regional Group

- Paul Wakeley (NGET) presented on the ENTSO-E GB TSO Regional Group which forms part of the ENTSO-E internal governance structure.
- The GB Regional Group has been in place for some time and consisted of the three GB TSOs who are ENTSO-E members: National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET), SHE Transmission (SHET) and Scottish Power Transmission (SPT). The Group has been restructured to include all those certified TSOs in GB, to allow a forum for GB TSOs to discuss policy issues, particularly in the light of needing to inform network code provisions including 'All TSOs'.
- There are currently 13 certified TSOs in GB in addition to NGET, SHET and SPT. These include Offshore Transmission Owners (OFTOs) and Interconnectors. Where provisions applicable to 'All TSOs' are present in the European Network Code, this applies to all GB TSOs (unless a member state process places the obligation elsewhere). The GB Regional Group facilitates these discussions and developments for a GB TSO position but is not a decision making body. Having a considered GB TSO position will be beneficial in our discussions and negotiations with other European TSOs.
- Paul Wakeley discussed the Organogram slide which covers the placement of the GB Regional Group and how it has been extended to include other certified TSOs (OFTOs and Interconnectors). There will also be Subgroups established where necessary to develop discussions further and invite other impacted parties, such as developers.
- For Interconnectors, only the certified GB party of the Interconnector is covered under the GB Regional Group.
- Stakeholders queried how voting would work for GB and what visibility would be provided of this voting. The rules for formal ENTSO-E voting are outlined in the Articles of Association² on ENTSO-E's, but these do not cover the allocation of votes to non ENTSO-E members. This area also ties into the allocation of GB TSO votes as detailed in Article 9(2) and (3) of the CACM Guideline. Paul Wakeley took an action to liaise with the

² <https://www.entsoe.eu/about-entso-e/inside-entso-e/governance/association-documents/Pages/default.aspx>

GB Regional Group on how voting will work and what information will be published with regards to voting.

- DECC suggested the involvement of DSOs and how they are being engaged with as a part of these discussions.

6. Implementation of EU Network Codes in GB and Reviewing Stakeholder Forums for EU Network Code Development and Implementation

- Natasha Smith provided an update on the progress of the proposal for which 8 responses were received, all in support of the changes.
- The intention is for the first of these new JESG meetings to take place in March 2015, keeping the [dates previously held for the Joint European Standing Group](#).

7. ECCAF Update

- There have been no ECCAF meetings since the last JESG.
- As the intention is to now merge JESG, ECCAF and the DECC-Ofgem Stakeholder Group into one forum (see 6 above), there will be no further meetings of ECCAF. Meetings relating to European Network Code development and implementation will continue to be held under the JESG 'umbrella'. The dates that were scheduled for ECCAF will be held to be used for other potential JESG events as and when required.

8. AOB

- Natasha Smith updated JESG Stakeholders on the Ofgem Nominated Electricity Market Operator (NEMO) Consultation. Three responses were received, one of which is confidential. The two non-confidential responses will be published on Ofgem's website on 27 February 2015.
- Barbara Vest welcomed the new 'Code Summary Documents' produced by National Grid and suggested this approach is extended to the wider industry. Barbara also suggested the 'European Network Code Overview' document which is also produced by National Grid should be housed in the same location on the website.
- Paul Wakeley welcomed Stakeholder feedback on the JESG communications and registration process which is currently under review. All feedback is welcome and to be submitted to europencodes.electricity@nationalgrid.com.

9. Forthcoming events/workshops

For future JESG meeting dates, please refer to [the calendar on the JESG website](#).

Details of forthcoming European Stakeholder events can be found through the below websites;

- ENTSO-E: [https://www.entsoe.eu./resources/network-Network Codes/](https://www.entsoe.eu./resources/network-Network%20Codes/)
- ACER: <http://acer.europa.net>
- Ofgem: <http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Europe/stakeholder-group/Pages/index.aspx>

10. Next meeting

The next scheduled meeting for the JESG is 17 March 2015 at Elexon Offices in London.
Registration details will be provided in the JESG Weekly Updates.

The actions log follows this report.

JESG Action Log

Standing Actions

Action No	Action	Lead Party
S1	Prepare a commentary / comparison document between the Network Code and the existing GB arrangements at appropriate stages in the Code development for each Network Code.	NGET
S2	Engage with DECC and Ofgem to ensure appropriate and timely input can be provided from GB Stakeholders in to the Comitology process.	JESG Chair
S3	Continue to review the membership of the JESG and engage additional industry parties where appropriate.	JESG Chair
S4	Provide update on future Network Codes and incentives being developed as and when appropriate.	NGET/Ofgem/DECC
S5	If required by the Commission, facilitate an industry-wide read-through of the Network Codes once they are released by the Commission . (formerly Open Action 135)	JESG Chair/Ofgem/DECC
S6	Stakeholders are requested to provide specific examples of inconsistent or problematic definitions in the Network Codes to Ofgem (natasha.z.smith@ofgem.gov.uk) and DECC (elena.mylona@decc.gsi.gov.uk). (formerly Open Action 140)	All
S7	Consider the need for how to best capture stakeholders' most recent priority issues before and during the Comitology process, in particular for the RFG, DCC and CACM Network Codes as the codes develop in the pre-Comitology phase.	DECC

New and Open Actions

Action No	Action	Lead Party	Status	Update
188	Consult GB Code Panels on the proposed changes to JESG.	DECC, Ofgem	Open	Mark Copley (Ofgem) has written to the Code Panels with regards to the proposed changes. He has attended a number of the Code Panels to discuss the proposals and intends to visit further panels.
193	NGET to liaise with the GB Regional Group on how voting will work and what information will be published with regards to voting.	NGET (Paul Wakeley)	New	
194	JESG Subgroup to be arranged for April on Emergency and Restoration Network Code	JESG Technical Secretary	New	

Recently Closed Actions

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152	Arrange another stakeholder group workshop on RfG Network Code following publication of the next draft.	NGET/DECC/Ofgem	Closed	New draft released to Member States and a DECC/Ofgem Stakeholder session was held on 29 January 2015. An update on RfG will be provided by DECC during their stakeholder session on 19 February (minutes for this session to be circulated by Jack Robinson of Ofgem).
179	Will the TERRE MoU be made available to NRAs and stakeholders?	NGET	Closed	Update from Chris Fox NGET: NGET are fine in principle to release the MoU and don't believe it is covered by the Non-Disclosure Agreement, however as this is a joint document NGET wanted to first check the partner TSOs are happy before it is released. Upon this approval, NGET will circulate through the BSFG mailing list.
182	Speak to press contacts to publicise CACM, and consider if this needs to be raised as an agenda item at a future JESG.	Energy UK	Closed	Update from Energy UK: Action ongoing as a watching brief is kept on the CACM developments and when is appropriate to liaise with press contacts to publicise.
186	Circulate ELEXON initial high-level analysis on a 15 minute imbalance settlement period	Steve Wilkin, NGET	Closed	Circulated 22 nd January 2015. The analysis can be found on the Elexon website .
187	Circulate for comment the proposals for the new JESG format, including the revised Terms of Reference	DECC, Ofgem, NGET	Closed	Complete.
189	Circulate the slides used at the Energy UK EU Network Codes workshop slides in the weekly update	Energy UK, NGET	Closed	Complete. Next Steps: Marta Krajewska to look at arranging another session potentially based in Scotland.
190	Provide feedback to JESG on the ENTSO-E Transparency Launch Event	Ofgem	Closed	Update from Natasha Smith (Ofgem): The event included a demo to illustrate what would be available on the Transparency platform. Stakeholders at this event felt there would be value in having the full data set from all countries/organisations for the Transparency platform demo to be effective.
191	Consider if the June JESG date needs to be moved	Energy UK, NGET	Closed	Complete. Meeting moved to Thursday 18th June. (Updated version of 2015 dates available on the website).
192	Feedback to JESG on the formation of the GB Regional Group and how it will work	NGET	Closed	Complete. Covered at this month's (February) JESG - Agenda item 5. (Paul Wakeley – NGET).

List of JESG Attendees on 19 February 2015

First Name	Surname	Organisation
Barbara	Vest	Energy UK (Chair)
Sara-Lee	Kenney	NGET (Technical Secretary)
James	Anderson	Scottish Power
Alice	Barrs	RWE
Peter	Bolitho	Waters Wye Associates
John	Costa	EDF Energy
Garth	Graham	SSE
Hazel	Gulliver	Scottish Power
Sue	Harrison	DECC
Olaf	Islei	APX
Mike	Kay	Electricity North West
Marta	Krajewska	Energy UK
Miles	Macallister	Smartest Energy
Martin	Moran	National Grid Business Development
Lorcan	Murray	Britned
Elena	Mylona	DECC
Paul	Neilson	SHE Transmission
Sarah	Owen	Centrica
Stephen	Powell	CER
Julian	Rudd	DECC
Lesley	Rudd	Ecuity
Natasha	Smith	Ofgem
David	Spillett	ENA
Bill	Stevenson	DETI (Northern Ireland)
Joe	Underwood	Drax Power
Paul	Wakeley	NGET
Steve	Wilkin	Elxon