

# **SOGL articles 155,159 & 162**

## Current GB Frequency Response Arrangements

### **Mandatory Service Agreement (MSA)**

All BM Units must be available to provide this Service

### **Commercial Service Agreement (CSA)**

Providers choose what commercial service they wish to offer

## **FREQUENCY CONTAINMENT RESERVES**

**prequalification process (SOGL - Article 155)**

- 1) Process needs to be in place by 9 September 2018.**
- 2) Providers must comply with technical requirements of article 154.**
- 3) Providers must apply.**
- 4) Non compliant applications will be rejected.**
- 5) Reassessment every 5 years.**

**Key point is providers need to apply making this is an optional service and hence does not allow the current Mandatory Services.**

## **FREQUENCY CONTAINMENT RESERVES**

### **Minimum technical requirements (SOGL - Article 154)**

- 1) Minimum technical requirements are the RfG frequency requirements.**
- 2) Existing SGUs will have a transitional period to implement any new RfG requirements.**
- 3) Transitional period will be agreed between TSO & affected user.**

**Key point is for existing SGU who WISH to provide frequency services will need to modify their plant within the agreed transitional period.**

## Considering the Alternative Interpretation that Mandatory Services are permitted

## Alternative Interpretation Mandatory Services are permitted

- 1) All Existing SGUs will have a transitional period to implement new RfG frequency requirements.
- 2) Sections of the RFG are now being retrospectively applied to all existing users.
  - 1) Retrospective application of RfG needs a CBA; &
  - 2) TSO to issue justification report; &
  - 3) Regulatory Authority approval within 6 months of report.

## Key Questions

- 1) Which interpretation is corrected?
- 2) Given the short timescales until 9 September 2018, how is implementation being progressed?
- 3) There are similar issues with articles 159 and 162, how are they going to be progressed?