European Network Codes: Status Update

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Network Code	What is it about?	Status	Status Update	Milestones to Completion	GB Stakeholder Opportunity
Connection Codes					
Requirements for Generators	Sets functional requirements which new generators connecting to the network (both distribution and transmission) will need to meet, as well as responsibilities on TSOs and DSOs .	Comitology	RFG is in pre-comitology stage of Comitology. The Commission is expected to release text in late 2013.	Discussions and voting by the Cross-border committee are expected in Q1/2014.	DECC-Ofgem Workshop proposed for 14 January 2014, subject to text being released.
Demand Connection Code	Sets functional requirements for new demand users and distribution network connections to the transmission system, basic Demand Side Response capabilities, as well as responsibilities on TSOs and DSOs.	Comitology	DCC is in pre-comitology stage of Comitology. The Commission is expected to release text in late 2013 or early 2014.	Discussions and voting by the Cross-border committee are expected in Q1/2014.	DECC-Ofgem Workshop proposed for 4 February 2014, subject to text being released.
HVDC Network Code	Sets functional requirements for HVDC connections and offshore DC connected generation.	ENTSO-E Drafting	The ENTSO-E public consultation period for the HVDC Network Code was launched on 7 November 2013 and will run until 7 January 2014.	ENTSO-E to complete drafting, and due to be submit Network Code to ACER by 1 May 2014.	ENTSO-E Workshop: 4 December JESG Technical Workshop: 11-12 December
Market Codes					
Capacity Allocation and Congestion Management	Creates the rules for operating pan-European Day Ahead and Intraday markets, explains how capacity is calculated and explains how bidding zones will be defined. Includes the Governance Guidelines which provide a robust, reliable and non-discriminatory European Union governance framework for the operation of market coupling across Europe.	Comitology	CACM is in the cross-border Committee stage of Comitology. The Commission released their first draft of the Network Code text on 22 November 2013.	Discussions and voting by the Cross-border committee are expected in Q4/2013 and Q1/2014.	DECC-Ofgem Workshop: 17 December 2013
Forward Capacity Allocation	Sets out rules for buying capacity in timescales before Day Ahead and for hedging risks.	ACER Review	ACER are completing their review of compliance of the FCA Network Code with the Framework Guidelines and is due to report by 1 January 2014.	Comitology is expected to follow the ACER review.	Engagement expected during Comitology once text is produced by Commission
Electricity Balancing	Sets out the rules to allow TSOs to balance the system close to real time and to allow parties to participate in those markets.	ENTSO-E Drafting	ENTSO-E are finalising the drafting ahead of ACER Review, at the end of their 12 month drafting period.	ACER will review the compliance of the Network Code against the Framework Guidelines for three months, January - March 2014.	DECC-Ofgem Workshop: 23 January 2014 to gather views for ACER review.
System Operation Codes					
Operational Security	Sets common rules for ensuring the operational security of the pan European power system.	Comitology	In pre-comitology stage. The text was received by the Commission from ACER after a qualified Recommendation in November 2013.	The Commission is to prepare the text, prior to the Cross-border Committee meetings expected in Q2/2014.	Engagement expected during Comitology once text is produced by Commission
Operational Planning and Scheduling	Explains how TSOs will work with generators to plan the transmission system in everything from the year ahead to real time.	Comitology	In pre-comitology stage. The text was received by the Commission from ACER after a qualified Recommendation in November 2013.	The Commission is to prepare the text, prior to the Cross-border Committee meetings expected in Q2/2014.	Engagement expected during Comitology once text is produced by Commission
Load Frequency Control and Reserves	Provides for the coordination and technical specification of load frequency control processes and specifies the levels of reserves (back-up) which TSOs need to hold and specifies where they need to be held.	Comitology	In pre-comitology stage. The text was received by the Commission from ACER after a qualified Recommendation in October 2013.	The Commission is to prepare the text, prior to the Cross-border Committee meetings expected in Q2/2014.	Engagement expected during Comitology once text is produced by Commission
Transparency Regulation					
Transparency Regulation	Establishes a minimum common set of data relating to generation, balancing, transmission and consumption of electricity which need to be made available to market participants. It also provides for a central collection and publication of the data.	GB Implementation	GB Implementation is ongoing, including BSC Modification P295	GB Compliance required by January 2015. ENTSO-E is developing the central EMFIP platform for transparency data.	European Transparency Regulation Implementation Consultation ongoing