

Headline Report – 9 November 2022

Security and Quality of Supply Standards (SQSS) Panel

The SQSS Panel Headline Report is produced after every Panel and aims to provide an overview of the key decisions made. Minutes for this meeting will be published separately.

Approval of Panel Minutes

The meeting minutes from the Panel on 13 July 2022 were approved subject to minor comments from the Panel being incorporated and these will be uploaded to our website.

New Modifications

The following two new Modification Proposals were presented to the Panel:

GSR030: Offshore DC Connections

This modification aims to review the restrictions on the loss of power infeed risk allowed for outages of offshore DC converters.

The Panel unanimously agreed that GSR030 should proceed to a Workgroup. The Panel agreed the Terms of Reference for the Workgroup.

GSR030 documentation can be found [here](#).

GSR031: Introducing Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners & Transmission Service Providers

This modification aims to introduce the concept of Competitively Appointed Transmission Owners (CATOs) to the SQSS to enable Onshore Network Competition for the design, build and ownership of Onshore Transmission assets.

The Panel unanimously agreed that GSR030 should proceed to a Workgroup. The Panel agreed the Terms of Reference for the Workgroup.

The Panel briefly discussed whether the modification required a Workgroup Consultation or whether one Workgroup meeting would suffice. The Panel agreed that it would be worth having a Workgroup Consultation to ensure those affected by the modification have the opportunity for their views to be considered. This is also in-line with the timelines for the related modifications to the CUSC, Grid Code and STC.

GSR031 documentation can be found [here](#).

New Authority Decisions

Ofgem provided an update on Modifications that have been decided upon since the last SQSS Panel meeting.

Decisions since last SQSS Panel

Modification	What this seeks to achieve	Decision
GSR028	<i>To remove any gender specific references or terminology within the Security and Quality of Supply Standards (SQSS).</i>	<i>Approved. N.B. given the minor nature of the changes arising from GSR028, a draft version of the SQSS has been published on the NGENSO website with a covering note explaining the changes within it. An updated version of the SQSS will incorporate these changes in due course. When an updated version is formalised, the Authority will hold a licence consultation to reflect the updated version of the SQSS in the Electricity Transmission Licence.</i>

Awaiting Decisions

There are no SQSS Modifications awaiting a decision from Ofgem.

In flight Modifications

The next [Modification Tracker](#) will be published on 7 December 2022.

Workgroup Reports

There were no Workgroup Reports presented to the Panel.

Draft Final Modification Reports

There were no Draft Final Modification Reports presented to the Panel.

Other

Draft modification: Section 2 Review (storage / interconnector / loss of outfeed limit)

The ESO presented initial thinking on a potential new modification in this area.

Frequency Risk and Control Report:

The ESO provided an update on the progress of the next iteration of the FRCR Methodology and Report.

For more information, the slides can be found [here](#).

Questions or feedback?

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