

SEM Committee Meeting

Draft Minutes Meeting No. 9

Location: Conference Call
Date: 2nd September 2008
Time: 2.00 to 3.00 pm

On the Call: Tom Reeves (CER), Michael Tutty (CER), Dermot Nolan(CER), Iain Osborne (NIAUR), Dermot MacCann (NIAUR), Alan Rainey (NIAUR), Ignacio Perez-Arriaga, Jose Sierra.

In attendance: Eugene Coughlan(CER), Tadhg O Brien(NIAUR), Paul Bell(NIAUR), Priti Dave Stack(CER), Stephen Powell(CER).

Minute Taker: Paul O Neill(CER)

1. BNE Decision Paper.

Paul Bell took the meeting through the development of the decision paper including the initial consultation, the responses to the consultation, further discussions with the industry, and the final recommendation in the decision paper.

Issues discussed included the site size and costs, NOX treatment plant, and residual values.

The Committee were satisfied that the recommendations in the decision paper were reached in a thorough and fair manner and showed a willingness to deal with the issues raised by respondents. They made the following comments,

The methodology for calculation the Capacity Pot should be reviewed to consider among other things

- Whether the volatility of the capacity pot can be reduced, and if so how.
- Whether residual values should be included
- The proposed capacity requirement calculation
- International comparisons.

The SEM Committee approved the Decision paper, subject to minor drafting changes which will be approved by the Oversight Committee. The Committee approved the immediate publication of the key numbers (pot size, BNE numbers etc.).