

## **SEM Committee Meeting**

### **Draft Minutes Meeting No. 15**

**Location:** Dublin  
**Date:** 26<sup>th</sup> March. 2009  
**Time:** 9.30 – 2.30 pm

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

**In attendance:** For all items Eugene Coughlan(CER)  
For Agenda Item 4a, Gordon Downey, S&W  
For Agenda Item 4b, 4c Sheenagh Rooney(CER), Philip Newsome(CER), Stephen Powell(CER)  
For Agenda Item 5, Paul Bell(NIAUR), Andrew McCorriston(NIAUR)

**Minute Taker:** Paul O Neill (CER)

#### **1. Adoption of agenda**

Agenda adopted.

#### **2. Approval of Minutes.**

Minutes of the meeting of 26th Feb. 2009 were approved.

#### **3. Review of Action List.**

Item 60, 70, 73, 75, 76 closed, no items remain open.

#### **4.a Legal view on Competition Law GD.**

GD took the meeting through a short report he had prepared on the competition powers that the SEM Committee had in relation to a SEM matter. The discussion touched on NIAUR relevant competition functions, Article 82 in relation to abuse of dominance, and the Modernisation Framework. Further work is required on the procedures to be followed should a competition issue arise.

Following discussion it was agreed that that NIAUR would pursue the matter, in consultation with S&W.

Action; NIAUR to report back to the SEM Committee on competition matters.

#### **4.b Interconnector Report. SR**

SR took the meeting through a report on interconnector use in the SEM, in particular the Moyle Interconnector. The report also touched on the broader issue of market coupling which is to be the subject of a separate paper to be presented in July. The report considers a number of issues including shorter term products, within day trading, security of supply. The recommendations in the report were approved and subject to minor edits, to be reviewed by Oversight, the report should be published as an information note.

Action; Publish Interconnector note.

#### **4c SEMO Market Audit Report. SR/PN**

- The finding of the audit report were discussed. The audit is of the TSC, its operation and implementation, trading arrangements, procedures and processes for 14 months to the end of 2008. There was no qualification to the audit report although there were a number of significant issues identified. The most significant issues were, error in currency calculation charge, errors in TLAFs, defects in dispatch instruction profiling, and error in Capacity Payment calculation for 2007. All these errors are either resolved or in the process of being resolved.

The report was approved for publication.

Action; Publish the Market Audit report.

#### **5. MMU Update. AMcC/PB**

AMcC updated the meeting on the market performance since the last meeting.

PB took the meeting through the MMU Public Report. This is a major body of technical detail on the operation of the SEM market and the SEM Committee were complimentary of the report. All the information contained in the report is publicly available. The report covers the Bidding Code of Practice, Generator availability and bidding, fuel and carbon price trends, Generator schedules and dispatch, demand, capacity margin and market prices. The report was approved for publication subject to consistency checking with the SEM Committee annual report and the Interconnector report.

Action.

An Executive summary of the report will be circulated to the SEM Committee for email approval.

Publish report subject to consistency check with the SEM Committee Annual report and the Interconnector report.

#### **6. Update on TSC Modifications SR**

The TSC Modifications update was noted by the Committee.

#### **7. Reporting of the decisions of the Oversight Committee. PON.**

Decisions were noted by the Committee. It was noted that the Directed Contracts Decision paper was not yet published.

#### **8. Updates CER/NIAUR/Independent members**

9. AOB

Date of next meeting: 23<sup>rd</sup> April 10.00-3.00pm , Belfast.