



SEM Committee Meeting

Minutes Meeting No. 95

Location: Utility Regulator Offices, Belfast

Date: Thursday, 30 July 2015

Time: 10.30am – 15.20pm

Attendees: Jenny Pyper (JP) (Utility Regulator) (UR) (SEMC Chair), Bill Emery (BE) (UR), Aoife MacEvilly (AMacE) (CER), Garrett Blaney (GB) (CER), Odd Håkon Hoelsæter (OHH) (Independent Member), Professor David Newbery (DN) (Deputy Independent Member)

Apologies: Paul McGowan (PMcG) (CER)

In attendance:

For all Items: Jo Aston (JA) (UR), Laura Brien (LB) (CER), Alan Rainey, (AR) Economic Adviser to UR.

For Items 3 & 4: Eamonn Murtagh (EM) (CER)

For Item 4: Andrew McCorriston (AMcC) (UR)

For Items 5: Clive Bowers (CB) (CER), Kevin Hagan (KH) (CER) and Kenny Dane (KD) (UR)

For Items 6 & 7: Jim McAllister, I-SEM Project Manager

Minute Taker: Elaine Gallagher (SEMC Secretariat)

1. Approval and Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was approved and adopted.

2. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 94 on 28 May 2015

The minutes of meeting 94 on 28 May 2015 were approved subject to minor amendments.

Decision Items

3. DS3 Scheme of Delegation

An amendment to the Scheme of Delegation was proposed such that the DS3 and I-SEM subcommittees can meet concurrently where possible. The SEM Committee discussed and approved a DS3 Scheme of Delegation subject to agreed edits.

Discussion/Information Items

4. DS3 Project Update

AMcC provided an update on DS3 outlining risks connected to system services side of the project. Resources within the team and procurement were highlighted as risks. A further update on RoCoF is to be provided at the August SEMC meeting.

5. ETA Markets Discussion Paper

CB gave a brief introduction to a set of slides circulated in advance indicating the emerging thinking on the I-SEM ETA Markets consultation paper. KH made a detailed presentation outlining the responses and emerging thinking. Decision papers on I-SEM ETA Markets, Building Blocks and Aggregator of Last Resort will be brought to the August SEM Committee. The SEM Committee noted that importance of stakeholder engagement to the I-SEM ETA workstream.

6. I-SEM Project Update

JMcA provided the I-SEM project update and noted some recent milestones:

- CRM Consultation 1 has been published. A meeting between TSO and RA directors to discuss coordination of CRM and DS3 deliverables is planned.
- Economic Consulting Associates are currently working with the F&L. The F&L workstream team and consultants are preparing a draft consultation paper for approval by Project Bard at its 18 August meeting. The RAs' representatives met with Ofgem to present emerging thinking on options for the design of the FTR and have committed to the development of a joint implementation timeline for Forwards Capacity Allocation.
- CEPA consultants have started working with the Market Power workstream.
- A NEMO application from EirGrid/ SONI is under review with initial feedback due to be sent to the TSOs by 19 August.

7. I-SEM Project Update detailing Implementation Timeline

JMcA presented the I-SEM Implementation Plan to the SEM Committee and together with the joint RA-TSO I-SEM plan. The SEM Committee approved the I-SEM Implementation Plan which is now base-lined.

8. Updates:

Communications Update:

- JP provided an overview of the RA I-SEM "hymnsheet" document which was discussed by the Committee. A number of minor edits were suggested.
- JP and GB are to meet to discuss the new AIP website.
- A procurement framework has been drawn up to assist with this work.

CER Update:

The following updates were noted:

- The CER expect a White Paper on energy to be published by the Government shortly and will provide a further update when details become available.

UR Update:

The following updates were noted:

- 13 applications were received for the position of Board Member on the Utility Regulator's Board. The selection process is ongoing.
- An update was provided on the North-South Interconnector.

Independent Member Update:

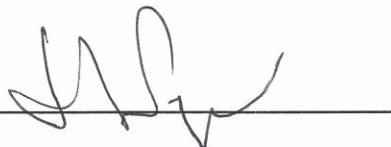
DN highlighted an Information Paper to be published shortly by National Grid on their 'Winter Review and Consultation Report'. It presents a review of the security of supply in gas and electricity for the last winter. It also launches National Grid's industry consultation on the coming winter. A process document is to be developed by Project Board to provide clarity on DN's interaction with academics and consultants with respect to the market power issue.

9. SEM Correspondence

No correspondence was received by SEM Committee.

10. AOB

No additional items were discussed.

Signed: 

Jenny Pyper, Chief Executive Officer, Utility Regulator, SEMC Chair

**Date of Next Meeting:
SEM Committee 96, Thursday, 27 August 2015, CER Offices, Dublin**

