

CRU Quarterly Meeting

12th December 2018

Minutes

Attendees: David Connolly, Helen Ellis, Anne-Marie McCague, Andrew Burke, Margaret Nee & John McNamara.

Markets

- The imbalance pricing, in particular in relation to a) system constraints and b) non- marginal action tagging.
- N-S should be considered a constraint
- Market re-run: 9 issues identified. No fix for 2 as yet. Only 4 dates not under dispute (Oct 25, 26, 27, 30)
- CRU are open to changes and will review this. This issue can also be raised through the Trading process if need be.
- REFIT grace period issues – DC provided an update to CRU. CRU noted that the number of MW to be installed is different according to IWEA is different compared to ESNB
- Update on progress made on REFIT in I-SEM - a notification paper will be published this week which will include the plans for 2019. CRU clarified that the PSO levy will be calculated over the total year. CRU noted that this was a priority for the industry and that it was being prioritised within the CRU.
- RESS – CRU's exact role is to be determined but CRU currently have advisory role in the Implementation Group for example with helping the DCCAIE understand the link between RESS and ECP.
- **ACTION:** IWEA has a position paper on this and is to share with CRU.

Grid

[ECP1 and 2](#)

- Offers should be issued next week with a timeline that should end mid-2020. The list of nodes will be published.
- IWEA noted that the Connection Liaison Group meetings have been very useful. CRU noted and said they would be restarted soon.
- CRU has started to consider ECP-2 issues and has invited key stakeholders for workshops. IWEA will respond to organise a date.
- CRU are considering issues such as including capacity handback opportunity, community schemes, offshore, how ECP interacts with RESS.
- IWEA noted that an ECP-2 Working Group has been established and are working on a list and letter regarding ECP-2
- Stuart Coleman CRU stated that there is no timeline for ECP-2 they will send out invites to businesses early next year and it includes all Energy to discuss ECP-2. CRU hopes to have industry workshops in early Q2 on ECP-2
- CRU hopes to have a paper in the H2 of 2019 on ECP-2.
- CRU stated that the ECP's are going to be regular /gates and will be ongoing form year to year.

- Lack of progress on Hybrid sites working group. Key ask: issues (separate legal entities behind a connection point and dynamic sharing of MEC) raised by industry should be progressed without further delay.

Hybrid

- John Melvin, CRU noted that there was a lot of work in Hybrid and that CRU need to consider this. The CRU wants to open the Hybrid Working Group in 2019.
- **ACTION:** to provide further update at next quarterly

Grid code compliance testing and derogations process

- A considerable backlog awaiting on Certs, CRU to discuss with EirGrid about staffing to address this.
- Ann Trotter EirGrid / to engage with IWEA regarding Op Certs issuing.
- CRU will review when it this arrives on their side.

Planning

- Section 48/49 process update – IWEA noted that a response had been provided by the CRU for the processing of Section 48/49 at the same time as the licences and this has been circulated to members.
- IWEA requested that the definition of what is allowable under Section 48/49 be aligned with the wording in the Electricity Act
- **ACTION:** IWEA to submit note and request on changing the definition of what is allowed under the consents for Section 48/49 with regard to cabling.

Storage

- **ACTION:** Update to follow as relevant CRU member not in attendance.
- Charges applicable to Storage Devices:
- Timeline for review of treatment of storage from network charging perspective
- PSO levies – CRU noted that this is an issue for DCCAE. CRU are liaising with DCCAE and are providing them with feedback.
- CRU licensing team considering licensing for storage

AOB

- Garrett responsibilities split between Paul (Markets) and Aoife (Network) in advance of replacement, likely to be a number of months before appointment announced