



Trading and Settlement Code Modifications Committee C/O Sherine King SMO Modifications Committee Secretariat The Oval, 160 Shelbourne Rd Dublin 4

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SEM Committee Decision for the Regulatory Authorities in relation to Mod_17_11 (Recommendation Report FRR_17_11_V2.0)

Dear Sherine,

On 17th January 2012, the Modifications Committee submitted its Modification Recommendation Report with regard to a Modification Proposal, Mod_17_11 (Clarifying the Requirement to Provide Dispatch Instruction for Generator Units), in accordance with paragraph 2.213 of the SEM Trading and Settlement Code (the Code).

This Modification Proposal, which was raised by Airtricity, seeks to have Dispatch Instructions relating to Autonomous Generator Units published by SEMO.

The SEM Committee notes that the Modifications Committee agreed unanimously that the Modification Proposal furthers the Code Objectives "to facilitate the participation of electricity undertakings engaged in the generation, supply or sale of electricity in the trading arrangements under the Single Electricity Market", "to provide transparency in the operation of the Single Electricity Market" and "to ensure no undue discrimination between persons who are parties to the Code" (Objective 6).

The Modifications Committee recommended that the Modification should be made effective on a Settlement Day basis and that the proposed implementation date should be in line with the next available Central Market Systems scheduled release.

The SEM Committee notes the point raised by SEMO that the Modification would result in information being published that is not used in the market. However, in this case the SEM Committee believes that given the relatively small systems impact and the increased transparency provided to the market, such a change is justifiable.

Resource impacts should be once off, for implementation, with the IA for the D+3 Report having been confirmed by the vendors as costing €22,940. The NI System Operator has informed the Committee that the costs they will incur with regard to this Modification will be between £20,000 and £30,000.

Therefore, in accordance with paragraph 2.218 of the Code, the SEM Committee directs that a Modification, as set out in Appendix 1 of FRR_17_11_V2.0, be made on a Settlement Day basis with effect from the date of the relevant scheduled release of the Central Market Systems.

The SEM Committee directs that the Market Operator shall publish the date of the relevant release of the Central Market Systems (together with details of all the Modifications which shall come into effect on that date) on its website no less than one week in advance of that date.

Yours sincerely,

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