



Single Electricity Market

MODIFICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MEETING 134

MS Teams Call

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Reference Documents

Document Name
Balancing Market Rules – Trading and Settlement Code & Agreed Procedures
Proposal
Presentation

In Attendance

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Niamh Trant	Bord Gais	Supplier Member
Cormac Daly	VIOTAS	DSU Member
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Eoin Murphy	ÉlectroRoute	Assetless Member
David Morrow	Energia	Generator Member
William Carr	ESB	Generator Alternate
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Nick Brown	PrePayPower	Supplier Alternate
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Michael Atcheson	SONI	SO Member
Andrew McCorriston	SSE	Generator Member
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Elvis Sebastian	CRU	Observer
Gill Nolan	EirGrid	Observer
Kevin Leneghan	SONI	Observer
Nicolai Albrecht	EPUKI	Observer
Vikas Gupta	EirGrid	Observer
Clare McGurran	iPowerFlex	Observer

1. SEMO UPDATE

The Secretariat welcomed all to Modifications Committee Meeting 134. Minutes for meeting 133 were read and approved. It was confirmed that the Programme of Work was up to date and a Final Recommendation Report for Mod_05_25 had been sent to the RAs for decision.

Market Development Update

SEMO provided a [presentation](#) noting that minor updates were made to the previously presented slide and an upgrade of the optimiser would be active by 21st April 2026. It was also confirmed that Releases O/P are provisionally scheduled for June 2026 while the first code drop for testing Release Q is provisionally scheduled to be delivered at the end of August but exact final timescales for deployment are yet to be confirmed.

Mod_05_25 Facilitation of Multiple NEMOs in the SEM	Proposer to provide further details on the extent of the System changes required and impact on other priorities – Closed
Mod_13_23 SDP_01 Treatment of Non-Priority Dispatch Renewables	MO Observer to query the timelines and interactions between Mod_13_23 (Treatment of NPDR) and decision SEM-24-044 Definition of Curtailment, Constraint and Energy Balancing) with EirGrid Scheduling and Dispatch team - Closed

Mod_10_23 Market Compensation for Firm Curtailment Look Back Period	SEMO to publish detailed process for comments – On Hold
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2. NEW MODIFICATION PROPOSAL

MOD_01_26 IMPLEMENTATION OF ASP DECISION SEM-25-029

The Proposer delivered a [presentation](#) on this Modification Proposal noting that it was drafted based on the SEM Committee decision on SEM-25-029 published in June 2025, which followed a consultation that ran in 2023. The proposal was raised so that the T&SC would reflect this policy decision. The RAs noted they had received feedback regarding updated modelling and went through a couple of charts using data provided by SEMO showing available reserve on two dates in January if Mod_01_26 was in place. It was advised that the charts did not represent a normal operating day but days where system margin warnings were in place.

The Chair asked for clarification on how frequently the short-term reserve would be reduced and by how much. The RAs noted that would be the value of what TOR 2 typically was, and that would be dependent on the system's condition in real time.

Due to this change in short term reserve, a Supplier Member raised concerns because of a lack of understanding of the impact this could have; not all Participants had been involved in the consultation which was mostly of interest to Generators. It was also requested that Participants should be shown more supporting data and made aware of this change in other fora such as the MOUG. The Proposer replied that some analysis was already provided in the consultation, but they would take the suggestion on board to reach out to the wider industry.

Generator Member noted that this was a significant change for Generators and advised that progress should be made on other decisions such as Capacity Secondary Trading before this proposal was progressed. It was also requested to check if TOR2 data feeding into the calculation was publicly available in order for Participants to do their own analysis.

MO Member took an action to find out if the quantity relating to TOR2 is available in either the SEMO or the EirGrid websites in order for analysis to take place. MO Member believed Participant reports only contain the aggregated value.

A number of other Members supported the point made about progressing the Secondary Trading proposals. The RAs provided assurance that the go-live date is scheduled for the end of April 2026 and within the same timelines, the RAs are also progressing the next phases regarding CMC_11_21.

A Supplier Member stated that the supplier had not been close to the consultation on ASP, so there was a struggle to understand the implications of this decision.

~~DSU Member stated that to have an accurate measure for TOR2, it would be sufficient to add all available batteries in the system.~~ Generator Member then asked what would happen if, when setting the NI and ROI System Services requirements, one was left short, and what kind of correlation would be made? MO Member stated that these would be concerns that need to be raised in the appropriate forum for the development of System Services.

DSU Member noted that if the system service requirement was coming in with a different value from what is in the Balancing Market, there would be a misalignment that needs to be considered by the RAs in the future. It was also advised that the charts in the presentation for those dates in January 2026 showed that the change was still not delivering ASP even in scenarios where a system margin warning was in place and wind was quite low.

Supplier Member questioned the role of the Committee at this meeting, noting that a decision had already been made by the RAs to approve this proposal, and it was asked if the Panel were merely asked to ratify that the change was in line with the decision. MO Member stated the opinion that the Committee would confirm if they were satisfied with the changes proposed reflected in the policy decision. RA Member also added that their understanding was that the decision was basically removing double counting from the calculation and clarifying what the policy should be, while the Modification itself is implementing the decision.

DSU Member advised that they felt that regardless of the result of the voting recommendation, unless the Members can prove that there is something fundamentally wrong and against the principles of the decision, it will be implemented. However, this proposal had a wider reach than just the Modifications Committee, and it was felt that an industry webinar would be welcome to communicate the introduction of this proposal. The Chair agreed with this sentiment but stressed that this was something to be hosted and managed by the RAs if convened rather than part of the Modification Panel process.

The Chair summarized the concerns expressed relating to DASSA, remit of Committee in approving this proposal, and impact on Scarcity pricing events and their frequency in the future following implementation of this proposal. It was also noted that the desire for more background data on this proposal and confirmation of the implementation of the Secondary Trading Modification before a vote can be cast.

MO Member provided assurance that an Impact Assessment with the vendor had been initiated and although the details were not yet received, the system changes associated with this proposal were considered a low impact change and they could potentially be included in time for Release R which is planned to be deployed together with Release Q at the end of 2026. Deferring the Modification to meeting 135 in June would not affect these timelines given that the policy decision is already in place.

It was concluded that the majority of Members recognised that the Modification will be eventually implemented because of the existing decision SEM-25- were not happy to vote at this time due to the request for more data analysis and certainty over the Secondary Trading implementation. It was noted that the consultation ended with a reference to a Modification being raised followed by a period of further consultation. Therefore, an industry webinar run by the RAs was encouraged to cover the questions raised. Secretariat advised Members to submit any queries relating to the proposal following the meeting, and they would be included in the Appendix of the minutes that would be drafted. [RA Member RA Observer](#) supported the Secretariat's comment, to allow it to prepare the material which would facilitate a vote being taken at the next Mods Committee meeting.

Decision

This Proposal was deferred.

Actions:

- Committee Members to provide comments on further clarification requests in a timely manner – **Open**
- Proposer to provide requested clarifications from members in advance of the next meeting to allow members to review the requested information – **Open**
- MO Member to review if TOR2 quantity is published on the SEMO or EirGrid website for Participants to carry out an analysis - **Open**

3. AOB/UPCOMING MODIFICATIONS

MO Member confirmed that a minor housekeeping proposal would likely be raised for the June meeting and also a proposal to allow compensation for Interconnectors in relation to NTCs reductions via Imperfection is in development following a request sent to the System Operators by the SEMC. Members requested information in advance of the NTC proposal to allow for greater understanding.

A Generator Member requested an update on Mod_13_23 and whether changes would be expected to the Modification. MO Member confirmed that the modelling phase was still ongoing, and there were no set timelines yet. RA Member also clarified that the Modification is not expected to change, but the issue was more in relation to the definition of balancing and curtailment.

Secretariat confirmed that Modifications Committee Meeting 135 would be held Thursday, 18th June 2026.

APPENDIX 1 – QUESTIONS FROM COMMITTEE RELATING TO THIS PROPOSAL

Queries from Energia

- Further impact analysis covering ideally covering the last 24 months on whether ASP would have triggered had this Modification been in place.
- If that is too onerous for the RAs, a better understanding of how they collect the data so that they can subtract TOR2 from the current Short Term Reserve Quantity, and whether generators can do this modeling themselves.
- A tangible and detailed update on progress regarding secondary trading above de-rated capacity in the CRM, including implementation of the decision taken regarding CMC_11_21.
- Further information on how the proposed change will interact with DASSA, and the question of whether the Short-Term Reserve Requirement will continue to be separate from the Day-Ahead Replacement Requirement that will be set by the TSOs.

Comment & Query from EPUKI

- It is important for EPUKI as a Generator to have a day-to-day overview over how the current and the updated qSTR perform against the qORR and how the interruptible load feeds into the new qSTR.
- What real-life scenarios would have to occur for the qSTR to drop underneath the level of qORR?

APPENDIX 2 – PROGRAMME OF WORK AS DISCUSSED AT MEETING 134

Status as of 16 April 2026		
Modification Proposals 'Recommended for Approval' without System impacts		
Title	Sections Modified	Sent
Mod_10_23 Market Compensation for Firm Curtailment Look Back Period	H	Sent for RA Decision 16/11/23
Modification Proposals 'Recommended for Approval' with System impacts		
Mod_05_25 Facilitation of Multiple NEMOs in the SEM	Section B,F & Glossary	Sent for RA Decision 01/04/26
Mod_01_25 Synchronous Condensers	Section B, Section D, Appendix I, Appendix O, Glossary	Sent for RA Decision 14/05/25
Mod_13_23 SDP_01 Treatment of Non-Priority Dispatch Renewables	D,F Appendix E,I,K,O, Glossary	Sent for RA Decision 15/03/24
Mod_02_23 DSU Energy Payments	B, F, G, H AP01 Section 2.3 & Appendix 3	Sent for RA Decision 16/03/23
Modification Proposals 'Recommended for Rejection'		
N/A	N/A	N/A
RA Decision 'Further Work Required'		
N/A	N/A	N/A
RA Decision Approved Modifications with System Impacts		
Title	Sections Modified	Effective Date
Mod_17_22 System Action Re-pricing	E.3.4.2	Following system implementation
Mod_05_23 Market Compensation for Firm Curtailment	F, G, Glossary	Following system implementation
RA Decision Approved Modifications with no System Impacts		
Title	Sections Modified	Effective Date
Mod_04_25 Amendment to Payment Deferral	F	11 th December 2025
RA Decision Rejected		
Mod_03_25 Treatment of Reliability Option Difference Payments for hours exhausted units	F,G & Glossary	N/A
RA Direction		

Mod_08_20 Imbalance prices to reflect the real-time value of energy	D.4.4.12	Decision letter received – 29/10/20
AP Notifications		
N/A	N/A	N/A
Withdrawal Notifications		
N/A	N/A	N/A
Modification Proposal Extensions		
N/A	N/A	N/A
Meeting 135 – 18th June 2026 – MS Teams		