

All interested parties, stakeholders in Northern Ireland and beyond, and other regulatory bodies

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Dear All

Approval of the Generation and Load Data Provision Methodology

On 13 June 2016, the Utility Regulator received a proposal for the Generation and Load Data Provision Methodology (GLDPM) from the Northern Ireland TSO, SONI Limited.

This letter sets out the Utility Regulator's decision to approve the GLDPM proposal, pursuant to Article 16(1) of the guideline on the Capacity Allocation and Congestion Management (the CACM Regulation)¹.

Background

The GLDPM proposes information and processes to create a Common Grid Model (CGM) representing the European interconnected system for the purposes of single day ahead and intraday coupling. This information and processes are required by the CACM Regulation to provide TSOs with accurate and timely information on order to calculate cross-zonal capacity in a coordinated way.

¹ COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2015/1222 of 24 July 2015 establishing a guideline on capacity allocation and congestion management



The GLDPM is a pan-EU proposal, developed by all EU TSOs. The CACM Regulation requires the competent Regulatory Authorities to consult and closely cooperate with each other in order to reach an agreement.

Our decision

The Utility Regulator has reviewed the submitted proposals in line with the requirements of the CACM Regulation, the wider objectives of Regulation (EC) 714/2009², and the Utility Regulator's principal objectives and duties.

The Utility Regulator has consulted, and closely cooperated and coordinated with, other Regulatory Authorities in order to reach agreement on this proposal. The all Regulatory Authority agreement on GLDPM, reached on 28 October 2016 is attached as an Annex to this decision letter, and constitutes the reasons for our decision.

In line with this all Regulatory Agreement, the Utility Regulator hereby approves the GLDPM proposed by SONI Limited. As set out in the GLDPM and the all Regulatory Agreement, SONI Limited may request only the minimum, essential, and not otherwise already available information necessary with respect to the GLDPM. Any potential data request from SONI Limited under the GLDPM in Northern Ireland must therefore first be demonstrated as meeting these requirements of the GLDPM by raising modification proposals to the relevant existing industry code panel.

Yours faithfully

Chief Executive

² REGULATION (EC) No 714/2009 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the network for cross-border exchanges in electricity and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1228/2003