

Stage 03: Transmission Company Analysis

P245: Changes to Long Term Vacant Site Timescales

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What stage is this document in the process?

01

Initial Written Assessment

02

Definition Procedure

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Assessment Procedure



Report Phase



Transmission Questions

Question 1:

Response Form

Please describe the impact(s) of the Proposed Modification on your ability as a Transmission Company to discharge your obligations efficiently under the Transmission Licence and to operate an efficient, economical and co-ordinated transmission system.

The P245 Modification Group requests your impact assessment of P245. In particular, we ask for your responses to the following questions and your reasons for those responses.

Please give your response:

The Proposed modification will have no impact upon National Grid's ability to operate efficiently, economically and in a co-ordinated manner.

Question 2:

Please describe the impact(s) of the Alternative Modification on your ability as a Transmission Company to discharge your obligations efficiently under the Transmission Licence and to operate an efficient, economical and co-ordinated transmission system.

Please give your response:

The Alternative modification will have no impact upon National Grid's ability to operate efficiently, economically and in a co-ordinated manner.

Question 3:

Please outline your views and rationale on whether the Proposed Modification would help to achieve the Applicable BSC Objectives.

Please give your response:

National Grid believes that the Proposed Modification will better facilitate BSC Applicable Objective C. As the solution appears to align closer to the supplier meter read cycles, and by removing the potential for any confusion in how to implement the obligations.

Question 4:

Your response

We invite you to respond to the questions in this form.



How to return your response

Please send responses, entitled P245 Transmission Company Analysis to modifications@elexon.co.uk
by 5:00pm on

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Question 4:

Please outline your views and rationale on whether the Alternative Modification would help to achieve the Applicable BSC Objectives.

Please give your response:

National Grid believes that the Alternative Modification will better facilitate BSC Applicable Objective C. As the solution appears to align closer to the supplier meter read cycles, and by removing the potential for any confusion in how to implement the obligations.

Question 5:

Please outline the impact of the Proposed Modification on the computer systems and processes of the Transmission Company. Include details of any changes needed as a result of implementing the Proposed Modification.

Please give your response:

The Proposed will have no impact on National Grid systems and processes

Question 6:

Please outline the impact of the Alternative Modification on the computer systems and processes of the Transmission Company. Include details of any changes needed as a result of implementing the Alternative Modification.

Please give your response:

The Alternative will have no impact on National Grid systems and processes

Question 7:

Please outline any potential issues relating to security of supply arising from the Proposed Modification or Alternative Modification.

Please give your response:

At this time National Grid does not believe the Proposed or the Alternative will have any impact upon security of Supply

Question 8:

Please provide an estimate of development, capital and operating costs in appropriate detail which you as a Transmission Company anticipate that you would incur in implementing the Proposed Modification.

Please give your response:

N/A

Question 9:

Please provide an estimate of development, capital and operating costs in appropriate detail which you as a Transmission Company anticipate that you would incur in implementing the Alternative Modification.

Please give your response:

N/A



Any questions?

If you have any queries on about the consultation form, please contact Andrew Wright on 020 7380 4217 or andrew.wright@elexon.co.uk.



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Question 10:

Please provide details of any consequential changes to Core Industry Documents and/or the System Operator Transmission Owner Code that would be needed as a result of implementing the Proposed Modification or Alternative Modification.

Please give your response:

N/A

Question 11:

Do you agree with moving the timing requirements for attempting to obtain Meter readings for sites entering, and staying in, the Long Term Vacant Sites process into a Code Subsidiary Document?

Please see section 2 of Attachment A for the Group's discussion in this area, which include details of the differences in the decision making process for changes to a requirement in a Code Subsidiary Document, verses the Code itself.

Please give your response:

National Grid believes that ideally duplication should be avoided wherever possible and we can also find no strong rationale against the conclusion of the group on this matter. Therefore we agree with the timing being moved.

Question 12:

Do you think changing the timescales to be referenced in 'calendar days' would help address the BSC Audit issue in this area?

Please give your response:

National Grid believes calendar days could be viewed as a clearer obligation than a monthly defined obligation. Therefore, potentially this could address the concerns raised under the BSC audit.

Question 13:

Would you like to make any other comments on P245

Further Information

To help us process your response, please:

- Email your completed response form to modifications@elexon.co.uk
- Use the following text in the subject line of your email: "P245 Transmission Company Analysis"
- Include a phone number in your covering email, so that we can contact you if we have any questions
- Respond by 5pm on Thursday 10 December 2009 (as the Modification Group may not be able to consider late responses)

The Modification Group will consider your response at its next meeting. Once the Group has completed its assessment of P245, it will draft the Assessment Report, and present it to the 14 January 2010 Panel meeting.

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