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RE: Request to extend the [P297](#) 'Receipt and Publication of New and Revised Dynamic Data Items' Implementation Date

Dear Mr Thompson,

I am writing to you on behalf of the BSC Panel to request a one month extension to the P297 Implementation Date to 28 February 2019. The Panel is requesting an extension due to the Electricity System Operator's (ESOs) delay to its P297 and Grid Code modification [GC0068](#) 'Grid Code New and Revised Unit Data and Instructions' cost-benefit analysis. The Electricity System Operator (ESO) notified a revised timetable for its cost-benefit analysis and communicated this to stakeholders in an [open letter](#) on 10 December 2018, sent via email. The revised timetable moved the delivery of the cost-benefit analysis from December 2018 to week commencing 7 January 2019.

The current P297 Implementation Date is the earlier of 31 January 2019 or the Implementation Date for BSC Modification [P373](#) 'Reversing the changes relating to Approved Modification P297' (if it were to be approved). P373 was raised by the ESO on 17 October 2018 and seeks to nullify P297 by removing all approved P297 legal text from the BSC. In order for this to happen efficiently, P297 and P373 need to have the same Implementation Date. It is therefore important that a decision on P373 is received before the P297 Implementation Date.

Ofgem, at the BSC Panel meeting on 13 December 2018, reported that the delay to the cost-benefit analysis may mean it is unable to provide a decision on P373 by the current P297 Implementation Date. As a result the BSC Panel unanimously agreed to request a one month extension to the P297 Implementation Date to 28 February 2019, to align with the February 2019 scheduled BSC Release.

It would be extremely helpful if a decision on the Implementation Date extension request is received before the 10 January 2019 BSC Panel meeting and a decision on P373 received before the 14 February 2019 BSC Panel meeting. This would provide certainty to market participants at the earliest opportunity and allow Panel to consider if any further actions are required.

Yours sincerely,

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BSC Panel Chair