

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

Ref: WM-018-11-451

Date: 13 October 2017

To whom it may concern

Approval of the Regional Specific Annex for the borders Great Britain–Ireland and Great Britain–Northern Ireland (SEM-GB)

On 13 April 2017, in accordance with Article 51 of EU Commission Regulation 2016/1719, establishing a guideline on Forward Capacity Allocation (FCA), the Utility Regulator (UR) received the IU TSO proposal for the SEM-GB border regional specific annex (the 'Annex') to the Allocation Rules.

The Annex describes a range of SEM-GB border specific rules which shall be effective from the date of entry into force of the Allocation Rules, subject to approval from the relevant National Regulatory Authorities.

The UR has reviewed the proposal in line with the requirements of the FCA, the wider objectives of the Regulation (EC) 714/2009 and the UR's statutory duties and obligations. Through close cooperation and coordination with the relevant Regulatory Authorities, an agreement was reached on 9 October 2017. The relevant Regulatory Authorities' agreement, accompanying this decision letter and published on the UR website, constitutes the reasons for the UR decision.

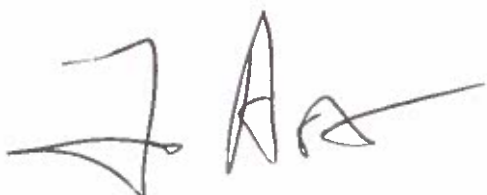
In line with the relevant Regulatory Authorities' agreement and, in line with Article 4 of the FCA, this letter approves the regional specific annex for the borders Great Britain–Ireland and Great Britain–Northern Ireland (SEM-GB).

Next Steps

In accordance with this decision, IU TSOs will be required to publish the SEM-GB border specific annex on the internet as per Article 4(13) of FCA and must meet the implementation deadline required by Article 2 of the SEM-GB border specific annex.

If you have any queries regarding the information contained within this letter please contact JeanPierre.Miura@uregni.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jo Aston', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jo Aston
Director of Wholesale Energy Regulation

cc: Jean Pierre Miura