

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

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To whom it may concern

**Request for Amendment to the all TSOs' Proposal for the Implementation Framework for a European Platform for the Imbalance Netting Process**

On 25 February 2019, the Utility Regulator received an amended all TSOs' proposal for the implementation framework for a European platform for the imbalance netting process (the 'INIF'). This was submitted in accordance with Article 6(1) of Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/2195 establishing a guideline on Electricity Balancing (the "EBGL Regulation").

This letter sets out the Utility Regulator's decision to request amendment to this amended proposal pursuant to Article 6(1) of the EBGL Regulation and outlines the necessary steps that must be taken.

**Background**

The proposal for the implementation framework for a European platform for the imbalance netting process lays down the design, functional requirements, governance and cost sharing for the platform. Containing the proposal for the entity to perform the imbalance netting process function as well as the TSO-TSO settlement function, as described in Article 22 of the EBGL Regulation, the INIF also takes into account the general principles, goals and other methodologies set in the EBGL Regulation.

The Agency has confirmed that the last Regulatory Authority received the amended proposal for the implementation framework for a European platform for the imbalance netting process on the 19 March 2019 and has also accepted a request for an extension to the period for regulatory authorities to reach an agreement on the amended proposal.

### **Decision**

The Utility Regulator has reviewed the amended proposal in line with the requirements of the EBGL Regulation and the Utility Regulator's principle objectives and duties. As required by Article 5(6) of the EBGL Regulation, the Utility Regulator has closely cooperated and coordinated with all Regulatory Authorities to reach an agreement on the proposal.

The all Regulatory Authorities' agreement reached on 11 July 2019, attached as an annex to this decision letter, constitutes the reasons for the UR's decision and, in line with this agreement, the UR hereby requests amendment to the implementation framework for a European platform for the imbalance netting process proposal.

### **Next Steps**

In accordance with Article 6(1) of the EBGL Regulation, the TSOs must make the amendments necessary to address the points set out in the all Regulatory Authorities' agreement with the amended proposal to be resubmitted to the UR and the Agency within two months of this decision.

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Yours sincerely



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