



CER Information Notice – 18th November 2014

CER Announces Commencement of RoCoF Implementation Project

The CER confirms the commencement of the Rate of Change of Frequency (RoCoF) Implementation Project effective from **21st November, 2014**.

The CER set out its decision on RoCoF in its Decision Paper, CER/14/081. This Decision approved in principle the EirGrid proposal to modify the Grid Code RoCoF standard from 0.5Hz/s to 1.0Hz/s over 500ms subject to the outcome of the RoCoF Implementation Project.

Generators now have between 18 and 36 months (depending on their priority categorisation) from the 21st November 2014 to complete their studies and submit the results to EirGrid for review. The CER has appointed an independent expert who will coordinate the project and advise the CER throughout the process. Trilateral meetings have been scheduled with generators and regular updates will be provided to industry once the project plans have been finalised and approved by the CER.

In parallel to the generator studies work stream, the TSO and DSO are progressing the implementation of the new standard, and the TSO has commenced the Alternative Solutions project, as required under Section 3.6 of CER/14/081. The TSO is holding an all-island industry workshop in Dundalk on 21st November on the Alternative Solutions project. The CER wishes to emphasise that the implementation of the new RoCoF standard and the completion of the generator studies must remain the priority for the industry.

After 18 months EirGrid will review the results of the generator studies of the priority units, the outcome of the Alternative Solutions work stream and the TSO/DSO implementation project, before submitting a report to the CER.

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