

**Grid Code
Modification Proposal Form**

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Title of Modification Proposal: PPM section Solar clarification

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Grid Code Section(s) Impacted by Modification Proposal:
PPM1.7.1.2 Signals List #2
PPM1.7.1.3 Signals List #3

Modification Proposal Justification:

The proposed modification aims to improve clarity and consistency in the treatment of solar-powered **Controllable PPMs** within the **PPM** section of the **Grid Code**. Currently, references to solar **PPMs** are dispersed and sometimes embedded within broader provisions, which can lead to ambiguity and misinterpretation. By consolidating and clearly distinguishing solar-specific requirements, the revised structure enhances transparency, simplifies compliance for **Users** with solar powered **Controllable PPMs** and aligns with the **Grid Code's** objective of providing technology-specific guidance, in this case wind, solar, ESPS, and other **PPMs**. This clarification is editorial in nature and does not alter the technical obligations or intent of the existing provisions.

A Table Outlining the Proposed Changes:

Definition	Red Line Version Text <i>Deleted text in strike through red font and new text highlighted in blue font</i>	Green Line Version Text
	<p><i>PPM1.7.1.2</i> Signals List #2</p> <p>Wind-powered Controllable PPMs</p> <p><i>PPM1.7.1.2.1</i> Wind-powered Controllable PPMs comprising of Wind Turbine Generators with a MEC in excess of 10 MW shall make the following meteorological data signals available as specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Wind speed (at hub height or as agreed with the TSO) - measurand signal; (b) Wind direction (at hub height or as agreed with the TSO) - measurand signal; (c) Air temperature- measurand signal; (d) Air pressure- measurand signal. <p><i>PPM1.7.1.2.2</i> The above meteorological data signals (ref. PPM1.7.1.2.1) shall be provided by a dedicated Meteorological Mast located at the wind-powered</p>	<p><i>PPM1.7.1.2</i> Signals List #2</p> <p>Wind-powered Controllable PPMs</p> <p><i>PPM1.7.1.2.1</i> Wind-powered Controllable PPMs comprising of Wind Turbine Generators with a MEC in excess of 10 MW shall make the following meteorological data signals available as specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Wind speed (at hub height or as agreed with the TSO) - measurand signal; (b) Wind direction (at hub height or as agreed with the TSO) - measurand signal; (c) Air temperature- measurand signal; (d) Air pressure- measurand signal. <p><i>PPM1.7.1.2.2</i> The above meteorological data signals (ref. PPM1.7.1.2.1) shall be provided by a dedicated Meteorological Mast located at the wind-powered</p>

	<p>Controllable PPMs site or, where possible and preferable to do so, data from a means of the same or better accuracy. For wind-powered Controllable PPMs where the WTG are widely dispersed over a large geographical area and rather different weather patterns are expected for different sections of the wind-powered Controllable PPM, the meteorological data shall be provided from a number of individual Meteorological Masts, or where possible and preferable to do so, data from a source of the same or better reliability for groups of WTG (e.g. 1 set of meteorological data for each group of XX WTG within the wind-powered Controllable PPM). It is expected that WTG within an individual group shall demonstrate a high degree of correlation in Active Power output at any given time. The actual signals required shall be specified by the TSO at least 120 Business Days prior to the wind-powered Controllable PPM's scheduled Operational Date.</p>	<p>Controllable PPMs site or, where possible and preferable to do so, data from a means of the same or better accuracy. For wind-powered Controllable PPMs where the WTG are widely dispersed over a large geographical area and rather different weather patterns are expected for different sections of the wind-powered Controllable PPM, the meteorological data shall be provided from a number of individual Meteorological Masts, or where possible and preferable to do so, data from a source of the same or better reliability for groups of WTG (e.g. 1 set of meteorological data for each group of XX WTG within the wind-powered Controllable PPM). It is expected that WTG within an individual group shall demonstrate a high degree of correlation in Active Power output at any given time. The actual signals required shall be specified by the TSO at least 120 Business Days prior to the wind-powered Controllable PPM's scheduled Operational Date.</p>
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	<p>Solar-powered Controllable PPMs</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.2.2.1</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.2.3 Solar-powered Controllable PPMs with a MEC in excess of 10 MW shall make the following meteorological data signals available as specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI) - measurand signal; (b) Diffused Horizontal Irradiance (DHI) - measurand signal; (c) Direct Normal Irradiance (DNI) (required for solar tracking panels only) - measurand signal; (d) Air temperature - measurand signal; (e) Back panel temperature - measurand signal; (f) Wind speed - measurand signal; (g) Wind direction - measurand signal; (h) Precipitation – measurand signal; (i) Air pressure - measurand signal. <p>PPM1.7.1.2.2.2</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.2.4 The above meteorological data signals (ref. PPM1.7.1.2.2.1 PPM1.7.1.2.3) shall be provided by</p>	<p>Solar-powered Controllable PPMs</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.2.3 Solar-powered Controllable PPMs with a MEC in excess of 10 MW shall make the following meteorological data signals available as specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI) - measurand signal; (b) Diffused Horizontal Irradiance (DHI) - measurand signal; (c) Direct Normal Irradiance (DNI) (required for solar tracking panels only) - measurand signal; (d) Air temperature - measurand signal; (e) Back panel temperature - measurand signal; (f) Wind speed - measurand signal; (g) Wind direction - measurand signal; (h) Precipitation – measurand signal; (i) Air pressure - measurand signal. <p>PPM1.7.1.2.4 The above meteorological data signals (ref. PPM1.7.1.2.3) shall be provided by measurement</p>
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	<p>measurement devices located at the solar-powered Controllable PPMs site. All meteorological data signals shall at a minimum meet accuracy levels defined by the TSO. For solar-powered Controllable PPMs where the solar arrays are widely dispersed over a large geographical area and rather different weather patterns are expected for different sections of the solar-powered Controllable PPM, the meteorological data shall be provided from a number of individual measurement devices. It is expected that solar arrays within an individual group shall demonstrate a high degree of correlation in Active Power output at any given time. The actual signals required shall be specified by the TSO at least 120 Business Days prior to the solar-powered Controllable PPM's scheduled Operational Date.</p> <p>Other Controllable PPMs (excluding wind and solar)</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.2.3</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.2.5 Controllable PPMs, in excess of 5 MW, with the exception of wind-powered and solar-powered Controllable PPMs, shall make relevant meteorological</p>	<p>devices located at the solar-powered Controllable PPMs site. All meteorological data signals shall at a minimum meet accuracy levels defined by the TSO. For solar-powered Controllable PPMs where the solar arrays are widely dispersed over a large geographical area and rather different weather patterns are expected for different sections of the solar-powered Controllable PPM, the meteorological data shall be provided from a number of individual measurement devices. It is expected that solar arrays within an individual group shall demonstrate a high degree of correlation in Active Power output at any given time. The actual signals required shall be specified by the TSO at least 120 Business Days prior to the solar-powered Controllable PPM's scheduled Operational Date.</p> <p>Other Controllable PPMs (excluding wind and solar)</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.2.5 Controllable PPMs, in excess of 5 MW, with the exception of wind-powered and solar-powered Controllable PPMs, shall make relevant meteorological data signals available, which may include but are not</p>
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	<p>data signals available, which may include but are not limited to solar irradiance and tidal streams, as agreed with the TSO and specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists.</p> <p>The actual signals required shall be specified by the TSO at least 120 Business Days prior to the Controllable PPM's scheduled Operational Date.</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.2.4</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.2.6 The above meteorological data signals (ref. PPM1.7.1.2.3 PPM1.7.1.2.5) shall be provided by a measurement device located at the Controllable PPM site, the exception of wind-powered and solar-powered Controllable PPM sites, as defined by the TSO. All meteorological data signals shall at a minimum meet accuracy levels defined by the TSO.</p> <p>For Controllable PPMs, with the exception of wind-powered and solar-powered Controllable PPMs, where the Generation Units are widely dispersed over a large geographical area and rather different weather patterns are expected for different sections of the Controllable PPM, the meteorological data shall be provided from a</p>	<p>limited to solar irradiance and tidal streams, as agreed with the TSO and specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists.</p> <p>The actual signals required shall be specified by the TSO at least 120 Business Days prior to the Controllable PPM's scheduled Operational Date.</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.2.6 The above meteorological data signals (ref. PPM1.7.1.2.5) shall be provided by a measurement device located at the Controllable PPM site, the exception of wind-powered and solar-powered Controllable PPM sites, as defined by the TSO. All meteorological data signals shall at a minimum meet accuracy levels defined by the TSO.</p> <p>For Controllable PPMs, with the exception of wind-powered and solar-powered Controllable PPMs, where the Generation Units are widely dispersed over a large geographical area and rather different weather patterns are expected for different sections of the Controllable PPM, the meteorological data shall be provided from a number of individual sources. It is expected that Generation Units within an individual</p>
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	<p>PPM1.7.1.3 Signals List #3</p> <p>Wind-powered Controllable PPMs</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.1 Wind-powered Controllable PPMs with a MEC in excess of 10 MW shall make the following signals available as specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Wind-powered Controllable PPM Availability (0-100 % signal); b) Percentage of WTG Shutdown due to high wind-speed conditions (0-100 %); 	<p>PPM1.7.1.3 Signals List #3</p> <p>Wind-powered Controllable PPMs</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.1 Wind-powered Controllable PPMs with a MEC in excess of 10 MW shall make the following signals available as specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> d) Wind-powered Controllable PPM Availability (0-100 % signal); e) Percentage of WTG Shutdown due to high wind-speed conditions (0-100 %);

	<p>c) Percentage of WTG not generating due low wind-speed Shutdown (0-100 %).</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.2 For wind-powered Controllable PPMs with a MEC in excess of 10 MW, where the WTG are widely dispersed over a large geographical area and rather different weather patterns are expected for different sections of the wind-powered Controllable PPM, the above data set (ref. PPM1.7.1.3.1) shall be provided for a number of groups of WTG (e.g. 1 signal for each group of XX WTG within the wind-powered Controllable PPM). It is expected that WTG within an individual group shall demonstrate a high degree of correlation in Active Power output at any given time. The actual signals required shall be specified by the TSO at least 120 Business Days prior to the wind-powered Controllable PPM's scheduled Operational Date.</p>	<p>f) Percentage of WTG not generating due low wind-speed Shutdown (0-100 %).</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.2 For wind-powered Controllable PPMs with a MEC in excess of 10 MW, where the WTG are widely dispersed over a large geographical area and rather different weather patterns are expected for different sections of the wind-powered Controllable PPM, the above data set (ref. PPM1.7.1.3.1) shall be provided for a number of groups of WTG (e.g. 1 signal for each group of XX WTG within the wind-powered Controllable PPM). It is expected that WTG within an individual group shall demonstrate a high degree of correlation in Active Power output at any given time. The actual signals required shall be specified by the TSO at least 120 Business Days prior to the wind-</p>
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	<p>Solar-powered Controllable PPMs</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.2.1</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.3 Solar-powered Controllable PPMs with a MEC in excess of 10 MW shall make the following signals available as specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists:</p> <p>(a) Solar-powered Controllable PPM Availability (0-100 % signal).</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.2.2</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.4 For solar-powered Controllable PPMs with a MEC in excess of 10 MW, where the solar arrays are widely dispersed over a large geographical area and rather different weather patterns are expected for different sections of the solar-powered Controllable PPM, the above data set (ref. PPM1.7.1.3.1) shall be provided for a number of groups of solar arrays (e.g. 1 signal for each group of XX solar arrays within the solar-powered Controllable PPM). It is expected that solar</p>	<p>powered Controllable PPM's scheduled Operational Date.</p> <p>Solar-powered Controllable PPMs</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.3 Solar-powered Controllable PPMs with a MEC in excess of 10 MW shall make the following signals available as specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists:</p> <p>(b) Solar-powered Controllable PPM Availability (0-100 % signal).</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.4 For solar-powered Controllable PPMs with a MEC in excess of 10 MW, where the solar arrays are widely dispersed over a large geographical area and rather different weather patterns are expected for different sections of the solar-powered Controllable PPM, the above data set (ref. PPM1.7.1.3.1) shall be provided for a number of groups of solar arrays (e.g. 1 signal for each group of XX solar arrays within the solar-powered Controllable PPM). It is expected that solar</p>
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	<p>arrays within an individual group shall demonstrate a high degree of correlation in Active Power output at any given time. The actual signals required shall be specified by the TSO at least 120 Business Days prior to the solar-powered Controllable PPM's scheduled Operational Date.</p> <p>Energy Storage Power Stations (ESPSs)</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.5 The Controllable PPM consisting of ESPSs shall make the following signals available as specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a). ESPS available export capacity (+MWh) b). ESPS available import capacity (-MWh) <p>Other Controllable PPMs (excluding wind, solar, and EPSs)</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.3</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.6 Controllable PPMs, with a MEC in excess of 5 MW, with the exception of wind-powered and solar-powered Controllable PPMs, shall make the following signals</p>	<p>arrays within an individual group shall demonstrate a high degree of correlation in Active Power output at any given time. The actual signals required shall be specified by the TSO at least 120 Business Days prior to the solar-powered Controllable PPM's scheduled Operational Date.</p> <p>Energy Storage Power Stations (ESPSs)</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.5 The Controllable PPM consisting of ESPSs shall make the following signals available as specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a). ESPS available export capacity (+MWh) b). ESPS available import capacity (-MWh) <p>Other Controllable PPMs (excluding wind, solar, and EPSs)</p> <p>PPM1.7.1.3.6 Controllable PPMs, with a MEC in excess of 5 MW, with the exception of wind-powered and solar-powered Controllable PPMs, shall make the following signals available as specified in the relevant specifications and site-specific signal lists:</p>
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