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Amendment to the Requirement to Conduct the Transporting Britain's Energy Consultation

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Why change?

- TPD Section O 3.1 states "In January of each year (year 0), National Grid NTS (NGGT) will conduct the Transporting Britain's Energy consultation process and request information from Users and others"
- Over recent years, the FES annual process has evolved, NG ESO now gather more insightful supply and demand information from a range of sources.
- NG ESO provide NGGT with this information through a general services agreement.
- By not conducting the TBE consultation process, there are efficiency and resource savings across the industry as Users do not have to provide NGGT with information that we can gain via the FES process.

Options

• Raise a UNC Modification to amend TPD Section O 3.1

• This is the only viable option to enact the change that would deliver the desired process improvements

Do Nothing

 Continue as today binding NG and Users, in code, to conduct and respond to the process in January each year. Accepting that the UNC may contain market rules that do not promote efficiency.

Solution

- The obligation to conduct the TBE consultation in January each year will be removed.
- The UNC will change to indicate that the TBE consultation may be issued once per year at NGGT's discretion.
- A notice period of 90 days in advance of the consultation being issued will be provided to industry in the event that NGGT needs to issue the TBE consultation.
- We would like to retain the right to issue the consultation on a discretionary basis, in order to future proof the process.
- No changes are proposed to the information that can be requested as part of the TBE consultation. (This is detailed in TPD Section O 3.2-3.5)

Recommended Steps

•The Proposer recommends that this modification should be:

- Subject to self-governance
- Workgroup assessment to develop the modification for 2 months