

Transmission System Operator to Distribution System Operator Agreement Guidelines

Following the Offtake Arrangements meeting in February 2012:

I suggest in addition to adding the Guidelines as an OAD subsidiary document that we also tidy up the various references to SOMSA .The search on SOMSA references uncovered the following:

Section N

7.1.6 In the event of any conflict between this paragraph 7.1 and any provision of the Agency Services Agreement, Joint Governance Arrangements Agreement or SOMSA, the relevant provision of the Agency Services Agreement, Joint Governance Agreement or SOMSA shall prevail.

Para 7.1 concerns loss and liability. There are no provisions in the Agreement Guidelines concerning losses or liabilities so suggest the reference to SOMSA is removed in its entirety from this provision so it would instead read:

"7.1.6 In the event of any conflict between this paragraph 7.1 and any provision of the Agency Services Agreement or Joint Governance Arrangements Agreement, the relevant provision of the Agency Services Agreement or Joint Governance Agreement shall prevail."

Section M Information Flows

2.2.4 The Offtake Communications Document may provide that, while there is a System Operation Managed Service Agreement (SOMSA) in force between National Grid NTS and a DNO, particular information is treated as having been given or received by either such Party by virtue of that Agreement.

The Agreement Guidelines do not appear to provide for the exchange of any of the types of information referred to in the OCD. Instead the Agreement Guidelines seem to contain information around how system security incidents, changes and planning are handled. On this basis the provision should be deleted from Section M and I do not believe there is any need to insert a reference to the Agreement Guidelines.

From a review of OCD the only reference to SOMSA appears to be in relation to E3.2.1 (exit from SOMSA). Please see comments below in relation to para E3 of OAD. Assuming that we remove this section then it would also be appropriate to remove this reference from OCD.

Section E 3 - Telemetry

The provisions in E3 concern the transitional regime during which DNOs and NTS were operating under SOMSA. This arrangement has now come to an end and therefore provided all of the activities documented in para E3.2 have been completed (which I assume they have as this was required to be completed prior to the date that SOMSA expires or terminates) the whole of E3 can be removed. Assuming that the existing provisions in para E2 are still satisfactory/fit for purpose there is no need to introduce any additional amendments to OAD Section E as part of this Mod.