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**Commission for
Regulation of Utilities**



Trading and Settlement Code Modifications Committee
C/O Esther Touhey
SEMO Modifications Committee Secretariat
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Our Ref: D/18/14050

SEM Committee Decision for the Regulatory Authorities in relation to Mod_14_18 (Final Recommendation Report FRR_14_18)

Dear Esther,

On 22 June 2018, the Modifications Committee submitted its Modification Recommendation Report with regard to Modification Proposal Mod_14_18 Change to timing of publication of trading day exchange rate in accordance with Paragraph B.17.18.1 of Part B of the SEM Trading and Settlement Code (TSC).

The Modification Proposal Mod_14_18 was submitted to the Modifications Committee by the Single Electricity Market Operator (SEMO) on 11 April 2018.

The proposed modification seeks to provide for an amendment in part B of the TSC for alignment of the Foreign Exchange (FX) Rate utilised for the Balancing Market with the Foreign Exchange Rate that is to be used by SEMOpx in the day ahead and the intraday market timeframe.

The impact of this change to the TSC is to the time that the Foreign Exchange Rate is made available to Market Participants. The FX Rate will be set at 10:00 D-1 and may be made available under the reporting arrangements no later than 11:00 D-1. It is considered that it would be both efficient and beneficial to align the FX Rate used for the Balancing Market to the one used for Day-Ahead and Intraday markets. Using the same FX rate across the markets allows EirGrid and SONI to continue to centrally manage the FX Rate in an efficient and coordinated manner from an IT system and financial point of view.

The Regulatory Authorities note that the Modification Proposal was discussed at Meeting 83 and voted on at Meeting 83 on 25 April 2018. The Regulatory Authorities understand that market

participants support using the same FX rate across the different markets as this will provide a more straight forward solution regarding exchange rates.

The Regulatory Authorities note that the proposed modification will facilitate the efficient, economic and coordinated operation, administration and development of the Single Electricity Market in a financially secure manner.

Considering the above, and in accordance with Paragraph B.17.20 of the Code, the SEM Committee direct that a Modification, as set out in Appendix 1 of FRR_14_18, is implemented on a Trading Day basis with effect from one Working Day after the date of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Barry Hussey', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized.

**Barry Hussey,
Manager
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