Annex 7 to the harmonised Allocation Rules for Forward Capacity Allocation

Regional specific annex for the borders Great Britain-Ireland and Great Britain-Northern Ireland (SEM-GB)

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Article 1
Subject-matter and scope

1. In accordance with Article 4 of the Allocation Rules regional specificities may be introduced for one or more Bidding Zone borders. The rules described in this border specific annex apply to the SEM-GB Border[1].

2. This annex shall be effective from the date of entry into force of the Allocation Rules subject to approval from the relevant National Regulatory Authorities. This annex shall be reviewed annually by the TSOs and the National Regulatory Authorities may also request a review. In the event that this annex requires amendment, Article 68 of the Allocation Rules shall apply.

3. The terms used in this annex shall have the same meanings as set out in the Allocation Rules to which this annex is attached unless otherwise specified.

[1] SEM is the single electricity market in Northern Ireland and Ireland. SEM-GB, as used in this annex, refers to both the Northern Ireland to Great Britain interconnector (the "Moyle Interconnector") and the Ireland to Great Britain interconnector (the "East West Interconnector").

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Article 2

SEM – GB border specific rules

1. The Allocation Rules for Forward Capacity Allocation shall apply to the allocation of Long Term Transmission Rights on the SEM – GB bidding zone border with a Product Period beginning on or after the go-live date of the Integrated Single Electricity Market (I-SEM)[2] on the island of Ireland subject to the rules in this annex.

2. The East West Interconnector Access Rules[3] (as amended from time to time) shall govern access arrangements for long-term, daily and intra-day allocations on the East West Interconnector until the I-SEM go-live date, except for Long Term Transmission Rights which are allocated in accordance with Article 2(1) of this annex.

3. The Moyle Interconnector Access Rules[4] (as amended from time to time) shall govern access arrangements for long-term, daily and intra-day allocations on the Moyle Interconnector until the I-SEM go-live date, except for Long Term Transmission Rights which are allocated in accordance with Article 2(1) of this annex.

4. As per Article 56 (1) of the Allocation Rules, in relation to the SEM-GB border Long Term Transmission Rights irrespective of the Product Period, may be curtailed in the event of Force Majeure, or to ensure operation remains within Operational Security Limits before the Day Ahead Firmness Deadline or in the event of Force Majeure or in the event of emergency situation after the Day Ahead Firmness deadline according to applicable legislation. In the case of HVDC interconnectors on the SEM-GB border, 'ensuring operation remains within Operational Security Limits' shall include cases where capacity is physically unavailable due to the operation of an interconnector's control and protection system. Long Term Transmission Rights irrespective of the Product Period, may also be curtailed due to insufficient physical capacity being available in any settlement period in a given direction for reasons which cannot be attributed to an event of Force Majeure, an emergency situation or to ensure operation remains within Operational Security Limits (a "Capacity Shortage").

5. In cases of curtailment due to Capacity Shortage, the affected Registered Participant is entitled to receive reimbursement or compensation in accordance with the calculations applied for compensation for curtailments to ensure operation remains within Operational Security Limits, as provided for in Article 59 of the Allocation Rules.

6. For the purposes of Article 59 (3) and Article 59 (4) of the Allocation Rules, curtailment due to Capacity Shortage shall be deemed to be to ensure operation remains within Operational Security Limits. Any compensation(s) for curtailment due to Capacity Shortage will therefore be subject to the caps set out in Articles 59 (3) and Article 59 (4) of the Allocation Rules.

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[2] I-SEM is the name given to the project to redesign the electricity market of Ireland and Northern Ireland to implement the European Target Model in accordance with EU Directive 2009/72/EC, Regulation (EC) No 714/2009, Regulation (EC) No 713/2009 and Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/1222.

[3] East West Interconnector means the interconnector connecting Ireland at Woodland to Wales at Deeside. The East West Interconnector Access Rules are available at http://www.eirgrid.com/eastwest/

[4] Moyle Interconnector means the interconnector connecting Northern Ireland at Ballycronan More to Scotland at Auchencrosh. The Moyle Interconnector Access Rules are available at http://www.mutual-energy.com/electricity-business/moyle-interconnector/access-arrangements

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