

**Minutes of the National Grid Electricity Transmission  
Independent Stakeholder Group (ISG) Meeting 01**

<b>ISG</b>	NGET-ISG01
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	21 <sup>st</sup> Feb 2024
<b>Location:</b>	NG office, The Strand, London
<b>Start Time:</b>	9:15 – 16:45
<b>Attendees:</b>	<p><b>Chair:</b> Trisha McAuley (TM)</p> <p><b>Technical Secretary:</b> Amelia Affum (AA), <b>Support Tech Sec:</b> Theresa Potter (TP)</p> <p><b>Members:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Roz Bulleid (RB), Green Alliance</li> <li>➤ Barry Hatton (BH), UKPN</li> <li>➤ Eddie Proffitt (EP), Major Energy Users Council</li> <li>➤ Stew Horne (SHo), Energy Savings Trust</li> <li>➤ Zoe McLeod (ZM), Independent Consumer Advocate</li> <li>➤ Jane Cooper (JC), RenewablesUK</li> <li>➤ Karl Drage (KD), Independent Member</li> <li>➤ Denise Massey (DM), Energy Innovation Centre</li> <li>➤ Alex Schoch (AS), Octopus Energy</li> </ul> <p><b>National Grid Representatives:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Chris Bennett (CB), National Grid Electricity Transmission Director - UK Regulation</li> <li>➤ Robert Salter-Church (RSC), National Grid, Head of UK Regulatory Strategy</li> </ul> <p><b>For agenda item ...</b></p> <p><b>Sector Specific Methodology Consultation (SSMC)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Beth Marsden (BM) - National Grid Electricity Transmission Senior Regulatory Strategy Manager</li> </ul> <p><b>Stakeholder Engagement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jeni Ray (JR) – National Grid Strategic Electricity Transmission, Head of Stakeholder Management &amp; Insights</li> <li>○ Akram Farook (AF) - Stakeholder Data and Digital Lead • Strategic and External Affairs</li> </ul> <p><b>T3 Submission and Stakeholder Priorities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Martin Winter (MW) - National Grid Electricity Transmission Regulatory Policy Senior Manager - Future Price Controls Architect • Strategic and External Affairs</li> </ul> <p><b>Environment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carolyn Helm (CH) - Sustainability Technical Lead, National Grid Electricity Transmission</li> </ul>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<p><b>IUG Members</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Julian Leslie (JL), National Grid, Electricity System Operator</li> </ul>

	<p><b>National Grid Representatives:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Alice Delahunty (AD), National Grid President of Electricity Transmission</li> </ul>
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<b>Agenda Reference</b>	<p>During this month’s ISG meeting, several topics were discussed.</p> <p>The first topic covered was the Sector Specific Methodology Consultation (SSMC). An update on the priority topics from the December ISG meeting, the importance of cost assessment, and the business plan incentive and totex incentive mechanism were presented. The objective was to seek the ISG's feedback on the proposed focus areas for responding to the SSMC approach to cost assessment.</p> <p>The ISG was broadly satisfied with the proposed approach to the SSMC. NGET was requested to review the 2024 Future Energy Scenarios plan and quickly incorporate any material changes for the RIIO-T3 plan. Furthermore, NGET was encouraged to continue promoting innovation and collaboration to the regulator.</p> <p>The second topic focused on Stakeholder Engagement. NGET presented their macro approach, shared what they have learned, and outlined the plans for the remainder of the RIIO-T3 engagement plan. The objective was to seek the ISG's feedback and recommendations relating to the 2024 business plan engagement.</p> <p>NGET was commended on the work undertaken to date, with constructive challenges on how to progress further. NGET was asked to review stakeholder segmentation and clarify the delivery role of other parties. Additionally, NGET was requested to demonstrate how stakeholder engagement has influenced the investment plan and how they plan to continue the stakeholder feedback process as business as usual.</p> <p>The third topic addressed the T3 Submission and Stakeholder Priorities. An update was provided on how the T2 stakeholder priorities translate across to T3, along with an overview of the topics sitting under the four T3 priorities. The objective was to inform the ISG.</p> <p>The ISG understood the logic behind the plan structure. NGET was asked to explain how organizational culture change is required to deliver the T3 energy transition, emphasizing collaboration, innovation, and data.</p> <p>The fourth topic focused on the NGET’s environment plan. The Environmental Action Plan FY24 Review, an update on the Environmental Action Plan in RIIO-T3, and the stakeholder engagement approach to T3 were discussed. The objective was to seek the ISG's views and answers to a variety of questions.</p> <p>The ISG constructively challenged NGET on the environmental plan. NGET's Environmental Action Plan was challenged to focus on material use, increase EV charging ambitions, and consider links to social deprivation. Collaboration with the sector and customers regarding local communities hosting infrastructure and the EV supply chain was encouraged. NGET was requested to ensure that the T3 Environmental Vision is clear for a general audience, strengthening the reporting narrative and providing context for environmental incidents. In terms of targets, NGET</p>
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	was asked to take into account industry capacity as a key limiting factor and identify areas of future work for potential additional targets.
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