Approval by Capacity Calculation Region Nordic Regulatory Authorities

of

Capacity Calculation Region Nordic TSO proposal for methodology pursuant to Article 74 of Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/1222 of 24 July 2015 establishing a guideline on capacity allocation and congestion management

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I. Introduction and legal context


This document is intended to constitute the basis on which the CCR Nordic Regulatory Authorities will each subsequently make national decisions pursuant to Regulation 2015/1222 Article 9(7)(h) and Article 9(10) to approve the proposal submitted by the Transmission System Operators (TSOs) of CCR Nordic. The CCR Nordic TSOs are: Fingrid, Svenska Kraftnät, Energinet and Statnett.

The legal provisions relevant to the submission and approval of the proposal, and this CCR Nordic Regulatory Authorities agreed opinion, can be found in Articles 3, 9, 12, and 74 of Regulation 2015/1222. They are set out below for reference:

Article 3 of Regulation 2015/1222:

This Regulation aims at:

(a) promoting effective competition in the generation, trading and supply of electricity;
(b) ensuring optimal use of the transmission infrastructure;
(c) ensuring operational security;
(d) optimising the calculation and allocation of cross-zonal capacity;
(e) ensuring fair and non-discriminatory treatment of TSOs, NEMOs, the Agency, regulatory authorities and market participants;
(f) ensuring and enhancing the transparency and reliability of information;
(g) contributing to the efficient long-term operation and development of the electricity transmission system and electricity sector in the Union;
(h) respecting the need for a fair and orderly market and fair and orderly price formation;
(i) creating a level playing field for NEMOs;
(j) providing non-discriminatory access to cross-zonal capacity.

Article 9 of Regulation 2015/1222:

1. TSOs and NEMOs shall develop the terms and conditions or methodologies required by this Regulation and submit them for approval to the competent regulatory authorities within the respective deadlines set out in this Regulation. Where a proposal for terms and conditions or methodologies pursuant to this Regulation needs to be developed and agreed by more than one TSO or NEMO, the participating TSOs and NEMOs shall closely cooperate. TSOs, with the assistance of ENTSO for Electricity, and all NEMOs shall regularly inform the competent regulatory authorities and the Agency about the progress of developing these terms and conditions or methodologies.

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4. If TSOs or NEMOs fail to submit a proposal for terms and conditions or methodologies to the national regulatory authorities within the deadlines defined in this Regulation, they shall provide the competent regulatory authorities and the Agency with the relevant drafts of the terms and conditions or methodologies, and explain what has prevented an agreement. The Agency shall inform the Commission and shall, in cooperation with the competent regulatory authorities, at the Commission's request, investigate the reasons for the failure and inform the Commission thereof. The Commission shall take the appropriate steps to make possible the adoption of the required terms and conditions or methodologies within four months from the receipt of the Agency's information.

5. Each regulatory authority shall approve the terms and conditions or methodologies used to calculate or set out the single day-ahead and intraday coupling developed by TSOs and NEMOs. They shall be responsible for approving the terms and conditions or methodologies referred to in paragraphs 6, 7 and 8.

6. (...)

7. The proposals for the following terms and conditions or methodologies shall be subject to approval by all regulatory authorities of the concerned region:
   (a) (...)
   (b) (...)
   (c) (...)
   (d) (...)
   (e) (...)
   (f) (...)
   (g) (...)
   (h) the redischarging or countertrading cost sharing methodology in accordance with Article 74(1).

8. (...)

9. The proposal for terms and conditions or methodologies shall include a proposed timescale for their implementation and a description of their expected impact on the objectives of this Regulation. Proposals on terms and conditions or methodologies subject to the approval by several or all regulatory authorities shall be submitted to the Agency at the same time that they are submitted to regulatory authorities. Upon request by the competent regulatory authorities, the Agency shall issue an opinion within three months on the proposals for terms and conditions or methodologies.

10. Where the approval of the terms and conditions or methodologies requires a decision by more than one regulatory authority, the competent regulatory authorities shall consult and closely cooperate and coordinate with each other in order reach an agreement. Where applicable, the competent regulatory authorities shall take into account the opinion of the Agency. Regulatory authorities shall take decisions concerning the submitted terms and conditions or methodologies in accordance with paragraphs 6, 7 and 8, within six months following the receipt of the terms and conditions or methodologies by the regulatory authority or, where applicable, by the last regulatory authority concerned.

11. (...)

12. (...)

13. TSOs or NEMOs responsible for developing a proposal for terms and conditions or methodologies or regulatory authorities responsible for their adoption in accordance with paragraphs 6, 7 and 8, may request amendments of these terms and conditions or methodologies. The proposals for amendment to the terms and conditions or methodologies shall be submitted to consultation in accordance with the procedure set out in Article 12 and approved in accordance with the procedure set out in this Article.
14. TSOs and NEMOs responsible for establishing the terms and conditions or methodologies in accordance with this Regulation shall publish them on the internet after approval by the competent regulatory authorities or, if no such approval is required, after their establishment, except where such information is considered as confidential in accordance with Article 13.

Article 12 of Regulation 2015/1222:

1. TSOs and NEMOs responsible for submitting proposals for terms and conditions or methodologies or their amendments in accordance with this Regulation shall consult stakeholders, including the relevant authorities of each Member State, on the draft proposals for terms and conditions or methodologies where explicitly set out in this Regulation. The consultation shall last for a period of not less than one month.

2. The proposals for terms and conditions or methodologies submitted by the TSOs and NEMOs at Union level shall be published and submitted to consultation at Union level. Proposals submitted by the TSOs and NEMOs at regional level shall be submitted to consultation at least at regional level. Parties submitting proposals at bilateral or at multilateral level shall consult at least the Member States concerned.

3. The entities responsible for the proposal for terms and conditions or methodologies shall duly consider the views of stakeholders resulting from the consultations undertaken in accordance with paragraph 1, prior to its submission for regulatory approval if required in accordance with Article 9 or prior to publication in all other cases. In all cases, a clear and robust justification for including or not the views resulting from the consultation shall be developed in the submission and published in a timely manner before or simultaneously with the publication of the proposal for terms and conditions or methodologies.

Article 74 of Regulation 2015/1222:

Redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology

1. No later than 16 months after the decision on the capacity calculation regions is taken, all TSOs in each capacity calculation region shall develop a proposal for a common methodology for redispatching and countertrading cost sharing.

2. The redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology shall include cost-sharing solutions for actions of cross-border relevance.

3. Redispatching and countertrading costs eligible for cost sharing between relevant TSOs shall be determined in a transparent and auditable manner.

4. The redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology shall at least:
   a. determine which costs incurred from using remedial actions, for which costs have been considered in the capacity calculation and where a common framework on the use of such actions has been established, are eligible for sharing between all the TSOs of a capacity calculation region in accordance with the capacity calculation methodology set out in Articles 20 and 21;
   b. define which costs incurred from using redispatching or countertrading to guarantee the firmness of cross-zonal capacity are eligible for sharing between all the TSOs of a capacity calculation region in accordance with the capacity calculation methodology set out in Articles 20 and 21;
c. set rules for region-wide cost sharing as determined in accordance with points (a) and (b).

5. The methodology developed in accordance with paragraph 1 shall include:
   (a) a mechanism to verify the actual need for redispatching or countertrading between the TSOs involved;
   (b) an ex post mechanism to monitor the use of remedial actions with costs;
   (c) a mechanism to assess the impact of the remedial actions, based on operational security and economic criteria;
   (d) a process allowing improvement of the remedial actions;
   (e) a process allowing monitoring of each capacity calculation region by the competent regulatory authorities.

6. The methodology developed in accordance with paragraph 1 shall also:
   (a) provide incentives to manage congestion, including remedial actions and incentives to invest effectively;
   (b) be consistent with the responsibilities and liabilities of the TSOs involved;
   (c) ensure a fair distribution of costs and benefits between the TSOs involved;
   (d) be consistent with other related mechanisms, including at least: (i) the methodology for sharing congestion income set out in Article 73; (ii) the inter-TSO compensation mechanism, as set out in Article 13 of Regulation (EC) No 714/2009 and Commission Regulation (EU) No 838/2010 (1);
   (e) facilitate the efficient long-term development and operation of the pan-European interconnected system and the efficient operation of the pan-European electricity market;
   (f) facilitate adherence to the general principles of congestion management as set out in Article 16 of Regulation (EC) No 714/2009;
   (g) allow reasonable financial planning;
   (h) be compatible across the day-ahead and intraday market time-frames; and (i) comply with the principles of transparency and non-discrimination.

II. The CCR Nordic TSO proposal

The proposed coordinated redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology was consulted by CCR Nordic TSOs in January 2018 in line with Article 74 and Article 12 of Regulation 2015/1222.

The proposed coordinated redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology was received by the CCR Nordic Regulatory Authorities in March 2018. The proposal included proposed timescales for its implementation and a description of its expected impact on the objectives of Regulation 2015/1222.

Article 9(10) of Regulation 2015/1222 requires Regulatory Authorities of the region, in this case CCR Nordic, to consult and closely cooperate and coordinate with each other in order to reach agreement, and make decisions within six months following receipt of submissions of the last Regulatory Authority concerned.
In September 2018 the CCR Nordic NRAs agreed to request an amendment to the proposed coordinated redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology. On this basis each CCR Nordic NRA sent a request for amendment to their respective TSO.

The CCR Nordic NRAs received amended coordinated redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology on 15 November 2018, within the deadline under Article 9(12) of the Regulation 2015/1222.

III. All Regulatory Authority position

The CCR Nordic NRAs are of the opinion that the proposed coordinated redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology enables the achievement of the objectives of Article 3 of Regulation 2015/1222.

The CCR Nordic NRAs have reached an agreement that the proposed coordinated redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology meet the requirements of Regulation 2015/1222.

IV. Conclusions

All CCR Nordic NRAs along with the Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate have assessed, consulted and closely cooperated to reach an agreement that the coordinated redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology for CCR Nordic meet the requirements of Regulation 2015/1222 and as such can be approved by All CCR Nordic NRAs.

On the basis of this agreement, each CCR Nordic NRAs will subsequently adopt a decision to approve the amended coordinated redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology by 14 January 2019.

Following national decisions taken by each CCR Nordic NRAs, all CCR Nordic TSOs will be required to publish the coordinated redispatching and countertrading cost sharing methodology on the internet in line with Article 9(14) of Regulation 2015/1222.