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By email to flexibility@ofgem.gov.uk

Re: C31E Distribution Flexibility Procurement Statement

Introduction

Eclipse Power Networks Limited is an Independent Distribution Network Operator (IDNO).

We operate across Great Britain and our networks are connected to upstream networks in England, Wales and Scotland.

Most of our networks are connections built as extensions to existing electricity networks, to service new housing, industrial and commercial property developments. Therefore, our networks are relatively new and have been designed to meet the loads of these properties.

Our current need to procure flexibility to support the operational needs of our networks are therefore limited.

Flexibility Services Requirements

We have not identified any short- or medium-term requirements to introduce flexibility on our networks and as a result, currently have no plans to procure flexibility services. As all networks have been developed within the last six years there is sufficient capacity for current and projected future demand and therefore the need for replacement, reinforcement or flexibility procurement is somewhat limited.

Tendering process

With no foreseen requirement for flexibility in the short- or medium-term, we have no requirement for a tendering process currently. Should this change in the future, robust processes will be developed accordingly.

Stakeholder engagement

With no foreseen requirement for flexibility in the short- or medium-term, we have no requirement for stakeholder engagement currently.

Detailed quantitative assessment

With no foreseen requirement for flexibility in the short- or medium-term, we have no requirement for detailed quantitative assessment currently. We are, however, investigating the use of network monitoring capabilities to determine future needs for replacement, reinforcement, or requirements to introduce flexibility.

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