Summary of public consultation on the Baltic CoBA development elements



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1. Introduction

This paper describes the summary results of the public consultation carried out by Baltic transmission system operators (TSOs) Elering AS (Elering), AS "Augstsprieguma tīkls" (AST) and LITGRID AB (Litgrid) (hereinafter – Baltic TSOs) of the Market Participants interest in the Baltic imbalance settlement harmonisation and Baltic mFRR standard product implementation and summarises the responses received during the public consultation. The information regarding the public consultation process is described below and followed by a summary of the answers received from the respondents.

2. Survey Process and Statistics

On June 27, 2016 Baltic TSOs launched the public consultation "Baltic CoBA development elements" by sending out invitation letters to Baltic electricity market participants and relevant stakeholders and placing information on the websites of Baltic TSOs inviting the market participants to submit their answers by August 15, 2016. Latvian TSO AST on behalf of all Baltic TSOs sent out emails to the Estonian, Latvian and Lithuanian market participants with invitation to participate in the public consultation and evaluate the following documents:

- 1) "The concept of Baltic CoBA";
- 2) "Public consultation document for Baltic imbalance settlement harmonisation
- 3) "Public consultation document for the Baltic mFRR standard product for balancing".

On August 15 the public consultation was closed.

Baltic TSOs received 15 response letters. The respondents were: Eesti Energia AS (Estonia); Enefit SIA (Latvia); Enefit UAB (Lithuania); Fortum Power and Heat Oy(on behalf of 3 Baltic countries); Baltic Energy Services SIA (Latvia); Baltic Energy Services OÜ (Estonia); Baltic Energy Services UAB (Lithuania); AS Latvenergo (Latvia); Nordic Power Management OÜ (Estonia); Alexela Energia AS (Estonia); Energijos Tiekimas UAB (Lithuania); UAB "Imlitex" (Lithuania). In survey participated also Lithuanian distribution system operator Energijos Skirstymo Operatorius AB, the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communications of Estonia and National Commission for Energy Control and Prices of Lithuania (fig.1).



Figure 1 - Responses to the public consultation by market participants within the Baltic States.

Estonia

Russia

The country distribution of the survey participation is the following:

- Estonia 5 respondents;
- Latvia 3 respondents;
- Finland 1 respondent (on behalf of represented market participants in Baltics);

Lithuania

• Lithuania – 6 respondents.

3. Results of the Survey and next steps

The comments and findings of respondents are described under the two questions blocks that were covered in the public consultation. The detailed stakeholders



feedback and Baltic TSOs responses on the Baltic mFRR standard product with updated Baltic mFRR standard product are attached in annex "Stakeholder's feedback about public consultation document for Baltic for the Baltic mFRR standard product". Also stakeholders feedback to the specific emergency reserve mFRR product alongside with the description of the product and Baltic TSOs responses on this product are provided in the same annex however keeping in mind that the specific emergency reserve mFRR product was not under public consultations. The detailed stakeholders feedback and Baltic TSOs responses on the Baltic harmonised imbalance settlement model are attached in annex "Summary of public consultation feedback on the Baltic imbalance settlement harmonisation document".

After successfully finalised public consultation, Baltic TSOs will proceed in Baltic CoBA element development with following steps:

a. Baltic mFRR standard product

Each Baltic TSO will publish the standard terms and conditions for BSPs in accordance with national regulations with target to implement the updated Baltic mFRR standard product for balancing starting from 1st of November 2016.

b. Baltic harmonised imbalance model

Due to different feedback from involved stakeholders, Baltic TSOs will re-analyse the proposed Baltic harmonised imbalance model, and propose new solution taking into account the given feedback, the requirements of GL EB and Nordic market setting.

Baltic TSOs have set the target to work out the final imbalance settlement model to be harmonised between the Baltics by the end of 2016 and provided for the Stakeholders and planned to become effective from January 1, 2018.

By the 4th quarter of 2017 each TSO shall also publish the standard terms and conditions for BRPs approved by their national regulatory authority.

Baltic TSO's - AST, Elering and Litgrid very much appreciate the feedback received from the stakeholders on the public consultation. All received answers from market participants will help TSOs and regulatory authorities to address the Baltic CoBA development and mFRR market issues for the needs of Baltic electricity market participants.