SEM Committee Meeting

Minutes Meeting No. 37

Location: Commission for Energy Regulation ("CER") Offices, Dublin

Date: 29 March 2011 **Time:** 11am - 530pm

Attendees: Dermot Nolan ("DN") (CER) (SEMC Chairman), Garrett Blaney (CER), Michael Tutty ("MT") (CER), Shane Lynch (Utility Regulator) ("UR) Alan Rainey (UR), Ignacio Perez-Arriaga (Independent Member), Jose Sierra Lopez (Deputy Independent Member).

Apologies: For items 7, 8, 9,10,11,13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 Shane Lynch (UR)

In attendance:

For all items: Tanya Wishart ("TW") (UR); Eugene Coughlan ("EC")(CER); Cathy Mannion (CER);

For item 12: Andrew Ebrill (CER); (via teleconference) Gordon Downie ("GD") and Fiona Parker (Shepherd & Wedderburn), Richard Goodfellow (UR), Colin Broomfield (UR);

For items 1-6 and 12: Mignonne Smith (UR);

For item 4: Aoife Crowe (CER); James McSherry (CER); Juliet Corbett (UR); Denis Cagney (CER);

For item 5 and 6: Jody O'Boyle ("JO'B") (UR), Clive Bowers (CER); Paul Bell ("PB") (UR);

Minute Taker: Laura Steerman (CER/ SEMC Secretariat).

1. Approval and Adoption of the Agenda

The Agenda was adopted.

2. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 36 on 2nd March 2011.

The Minutes were adopted with minor amendment.

3. Review of Actions from Meeting 36 on 2nd March 2011.

Action Items were noted as ongoing.

4. Dispatch and Scheduling Workstream

DN provided a summary of the discussion and guidance offered to the project team at the last SEM Committee Meeting. Further consideration was given by the SEM Committee to matters arising under this workstream. After imparting guidance to the project team the SEM Committee requested that the decision paper be prepared and brought to the April SEM Committee Meeting for approval.

5. CPM Medium Term Review

JO'B provided an overview of the consultation paper which was then discussed.

Action: Any further comments from the SEM Committee to the draft consultation paper are to be sent to the project team within one week for consideration and the SEM Committee decided that the paper is to be approved for publication by EC and TW.

6. Infra Marginal Rent in Annual BNE Calculation

The SEM Committee noted the information paper.

7. BCOP & Ancillary Services Decision Paper

Discussion was deferred until the next meeting.

8. BCOP Cost Items Consultation

Discussion was deferred until the next meeting.

9. Cancellation of GUAs

The information paper was noted by the SEM Committee.

10. Decision on Intermediaries

This paper was approved for publication.

11. Demand Side Vision

Discussion was deferred until the next meeting.

12. PSO Contract for Differences

GD took the meeting through a summary of the legal advice provided by Shepherd & Wedderburn and the SEM Committee considered the matter further.

13. Market Monitoring Unit ("MMU") Update

The SEM Committee noted the MMU update and provided comments to the MMU to take into account.

Action: MMU to re-circulate the March MMU Update to SEM Committee, and provide an update on recent price increase at the next meeting.

14. Update on TSC Modifications

The SEM Committee noted the update on TSC Modifications. TW provided an update in relation to modification 43-10.

Action: TW and EC are to write to SEMO in relation to Mod 43-10.

15. Project ARC

Ongoing work in relation to Project ARC was noted and a paper is to be presented at the next meeting.

16. SEM Strategy Day - continued discussion

Ongoing discussions in relation to SEM Strategy were considered as part of the discussion on Item 19(b).

17. Reporting of decisions made by Oversight Committee to SEM Committee

The SEM Committee noted the decisions of the Oversight Committee in the past month.

18. Updates CER/NIAUR/Independent Members

MT noted that Ireland had a new Government and Minister for Communications, Energy and Natural Resources.

19. AOB

- **a.** DN provided an update to the SEM Committee on the judicial review proceedings.
- **b.** The SEM Committee discussed developments at European Level which affect the SEM and updates were given on planned meetings.
- **c.** TW noted that a consultation paper on the access arrangements for Moyle had been received and was being considered.

Date of next meeting: 18 April 2011, UR Offices, Belfast.