

## **ELECTRICITY MARKET REFORM:**

### **CONTRACTS FOR DIFFERENCE EXPERT GROUP - TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### **Objectives:**

To support the development of the detailed design of DECC's Electricity Market Reform (EMR) Contracts for Difference (CfD) for low carbon generation;

Provide expert feedback and suggestions on specific aspects of the CfD design to members of the design team either through meetings or in written format;

Ensure that a wide range of expert input is available to inform the design of the CfD; and

Provide an interface for keeping stakeholders informed of progress on the CfD design.

The Expert Group will explore proposals and highlight potential questions, challenges and practical issues, with a view to informing potential solutions and contributing to recommendations as requested by DECC. DECC will retain responsibility for all advice and recommendations made to Ministers.

#### **Meetings:**

The regularity and length of the meetings will vary depending on the scope and complexity of the topics proposed for discussion. Some topics may be stretched over several sessions depending on appetite and need for greater exploration.

The Expert Group will meet at key periods of design development throughout the EMR Programme.

#### **Papers:**

DECC will aim to circulate relevant material in advance of each meeting to allow for preparation where appropriate.

Group members will be required to handle any papers with discretion. If any protectively marked documents are shared with members, guidance on document handling will be provided and must be followed.

#### **Membership**

Members of the Group have been selected on the basis of their expertise. Substitutes will not therefore be generally accepted. DECC does, however, understand that circumstances might arise where members will be unable to attend meetings for a given period and will ensure that an appropriate alternate sits on the Group.

Members of the Group are expected to act impartially and they, their organisations or any of their subsidiaries will not be bound by any recommendations made by the Group.

Ofgem officials that are members of this group do not represent the views of the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority. Their attendance should therefore not be considered an implicit or explicit endorsement or agreement to the outcomes and will not fetter the Authority discretion in the future. Similarly representatives from National Grid that are members of this group do not represent the views of National Grid PLC or any of its subsidiaries and will not be bound by any recommendations made by the group.

DECC reserves the right to review membership in future to ensure the group remains effective.

<b>Member</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Robert Epstein (Chair) + relevant design leads	Head of CfD Design Team, DECC
Peter Hicks	Ofgem
James Greenhalgh	National Grid
John Perkins	National Grid
Sue Wheeler	Centrica
Andy Lemon	Dalkia Bioenergy
David Tolley	DLT Consulting
Chris Hall	EDF
Charles Yates	Grant Thornton
Gareth Griffiths	International Power
Martin Alder	Opten
Mark Hughes	PwC
David Handley	RES
Paul Cooper	RWE
Rupert Steele	Scottish Power
Colin Prestwich	Smartest Energy
Knut Drystad	Statkraft
Louise Strong	Which?
John Moriarty	Horizon Nuclear Power