

Nordic CCM SH Meeting – meeting minutes

September 15, 2023, 9.00-11.00 (Webinar)

Participants	
Total participation, including CCM project members:	56

Text in non-italics are comments, statements, questions or claims from the stakeholder(s).

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1. Welcome and opening words (09:00 – 09:05)

2. NRA presentation: NRA decision on EPR evaluation report (09:05 – 09:40)

Question: I am a bit surprised. I was in contact with the Swedish regulator who tells me that there exists no decision to approve of the EPR. That it wasn't necessary. It was a kind of an automatic approval whatever was delivered. If it was a decision I want to read that. So the NRAs now say it works sufficiently well? Reading the consultation answers, the stakeholders in general do not seem to agree.
NRA representative Jori Sääntti, Energiavirasto – Energy Authority: *You are correct – this is not a formal decision.*

Question: This process is a scam; massive critique, just put aside – solution: TSOs to inform the SHs better. Some SHs don't like the outcome of the FB – more information does not work. Swedish consumers don't know how much they will lose – letter has been sent to the Swedish government and the NRA to underline the loss for the consumers when implementing FB. You need to be able to explain why the consumers are losing.

NRA representative Jori Sääntti, Energiavirasto – Energy Authority: *This is indeed not a decision. Agreement that if everything works well, there will not be a decision. Balance between what NRAs are asking for, and not hampering the implementation process. You cannot say that it does not work well. There are winners and losers – and thereby some participants will be unhappy. This may result from an issue that surfaces when implementing a more efficient mechanism. This may be due to capacities not being properly calculated in the earlier years.*

Question: So the message is: "We did it wrong and you were lucky, now we do it in the right way and you will lose?". Remedial actions are not applied by Statnett and Svk, which they should.

NRA representative Jori Sääntti, Energiavirasto – Energy Authority: *We have to do this (in line with the CACM). I do not agree to everything that you state. Focus is on the implementation now.*

Question: More Stakeholder involvement, and focus on open issues. Don't hide behind CACM. NRAs need to make a difference here.

NRA representative Jori Sääntti, Energiavirasto – Energy Authority: *Noted. NRAs' role is on ensuring that the SH concerns are being addressed*

Question: I agree with Mats. You don't have to implement. We see a cost increase of 6% in the system. This will impact the industry in Sweden. Yet, we increase the export to the Continent. Norway and Sweden don't want to build more interconnections to the continent. This may not be the right forum, and I may have to raise this concern to a higher level.

NRA representative Jori Sääntti, Energiavirasto – Energy Authority: *I don't agree to your statement that "we don't have to do this". It is the law, we need to follow it.*

Question: Strange behaviour in the price curves. It is difficult to anticipate the DA spot price.

Nordic CCM: *It is a more detailed and thereby complicated system – we never stated anything else. Yet, more details can provide more welfare.*

Question: Should we optimize the SEW in the interconnected power system, for Nordics only, or on a national basis? Higher prices are no surprise when you optimize the overall system.

NRA representative Jori Sääntti, Energiavirasto – Energy Authority: *Indeed, it is not in line with the regulation to have a national focus.*

Question: I agree to the earlier speakers on the unanswered questions. It is unfortunate to label some questions as being not relevant or linked to a lack of knowledge. W26: SEW is going down – over-allocation in NTC. I urge the TSOs to answer all the questions on the NRCC website. We re-use water 2-3 times. Main question: when and how will you respond to the questions raised?

Nordic CCM: *Questions that we received by email have all been answered and are now published on the NRCC website: <https://nordic-ccc.net/flow-based/questions-answers/>*

Question: We have concerns – TSOs just continue. They don't understand what we say. Why should we participate in those meetings? If nothing changes, would you NRAs just approve them go on?

NRA representative Jori Sääntti, Energiavirasto – Energy Authority: *If we agree to the stakeholders' arguments, we will force the TSOs to alter the operations - within the legal bounds that we have.*

Question: Swedish consumer lose 200 MSEK/week. Do they agree that FB works?

NRA representative Jori Sääntti, Energiavirasto – Energy Authority: *Prices may change in some bidding zones... yet the overall welfare increases. Please note: the order books are the NTC order books, and may change after go-live.*

The decision to go for FB was made in 2018 – focus is only on implementation now, and to have it function as well as possible.

3. TSO reflection and next steps (09:40 – 10:20)

Question: Do you consider that there are issues now that prevent you from implementing FB at the current stage? If it were not sufficient, would you stop the implementation? You stated that if ID is not solved, you would not submit the report to NRAs. Is there anything that can postpone the DA FB?

CCM project: *The ID review, that is currently ongoing, has been triggered by the stakeholder concerns. 2 months before go-live, we need to share all the parameters in the ID ATCE – we needed the EPR results to review and change the ATCE.*

Today's FB model is good enough. For the DA and ID, we continue to learn though – we make changes on the way (please note the document "Operational Learning Points" published on the NRCC website: <https://nordic-rcc.net/flow-based/documents-presentations/>).

Question: What constitutes if something works or not?

CCM project: *For example, infeasible solutions in the ATCE is a sign that something is not working properly. Trond: ID ATCE requires a different parametrization as it provides too many and too high overloads.*

Question: Different CGMs used for different ID auctions. How about the timings – why is there so much time in between the CGM availability and the actual ID auction? You are supposed to use the latest available information?

CCM project: *The capacity calculation process requires time – i.e. the time needed to run the machine and to perform the validation by the TSO operators.*

Question: Any view on the changes to the ATCE – an in-depth evaluation? Does this disqualify the results earlier and the ID KPI?

CCM project: *This is not a methodological change; only parameters change.*

Question: If you do an adjustment, we need to evaluate the consequence.

CCM project: *TSOs are working on it, and we get back to you ASAP.*

4. After DA go-live: ID, LT, BT (10:20 – 10:35)

Question: CACM is specific on Remedial Actions (RAs) to be applied in the capacity calculation. Why is Statnett not applying them?

CCM project: *Statnett is applying a lot of RA in the capacity calculation: topological changes, system protection schemes, and emergency power. Planned countertrade is not applied by Statnett.*

5. Questions and comments (10:35 – 10:50)

Question: Large mismatch in the CNEC names – gc_matrix <> JAO. Email sent on Wednesday.

CCM project: *Thanks for that! Answers are usually provided within roughly one week, followed by a publication on the NRCC website.*

Question: Nordpool, how about the system price calculation?

NordPool: *This is work in progress, and discussions are ongoing.*

Question: Question to the NRAs on the publication of Swedish CNECs – is this a national issue?

NRA representative Jori Sântti, Energiavirasto – Energy Authority: *In the CCM, there is a separate statement on the anonymized CNECs, stating that this is a national issue.*

Question: Question to the Swedish NRA. Are you prepared to meet the Swedish public and media, to explain the results? Did you answer the Southern chamber of commerce?

Response from CCM project: *The Swedish NRA had to leave the meeting a bit earlier, and could not answer the question. This will be picked up in a follow-up meeting.*

6. AOB and closing words (10:50 – 11:00)

As there were no further questions, the meeting closed. All participants are thanked for their constructive inputs!

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