

## Meeting Minutes - Energy Security Emergency Group

### Third Meeting – 30<sup>th</sup> March

#### Attendees

Mark Griffin (Secretary General DECC – Chair), Aoife MacEvilly (Chairperson - CRU), Frank Bergin (CEO - NORA), Rodney Doyle (COO- EIRGRID), Denis O’Sullivan (Managing Director - Gas Networks Ireland), William Walsh (CEO - SEAI), Ronnie Downes (Assistant Secretary – DETE), and Alan Barrett (CEO – ESRI).

DECC: Matt Collins, Barry Quinlan, Paul Bolger, Grainne Ui Thuama, Kevin Brady

Also present: Rob Barnes (DECC), Diarmaid Gillespie (EirGrid)

#### 1. Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes of 2<sup>nd</sup> ESEG meeting were agreed.

#### 2. Sectoral updates

Sectoral updates were provided by NORA, EirGrid and Gas Networks Ireland on their respective areas.

NORA: Ongoing impact on Oil supply in Europe and nationally noted. Diesel is particularly impacted but NORA and the sector working through operational challenges.

GNI: Early warning announcement system from certain EU Members States was noted. Recent price impacts were also noted. Ireland’s supply from the UK remains secure.

EirGrid: Noted operational challenges relating to availability of electricity generation capacity due to maintenance and repairs. Group was advised of EirGrid management of running of oil-fired power stations.

#### 3. Subgroup updates

**Oil Security of Supply:** Short scenarios discussed & an update on Oil Emergency Documents provided to the group.

**Electricity and Gas Security of Supply:** Scenario analysis and planning continued with supporting inputs from agencies. Working on measures to enhance security of supply with timeframes of implementation and initial costings primary focus.

**Consumer, Vulnerable Households and Businesses:** Working Group engaged on measures to support consumers and vulnerable households. Discussion can then feed into the long-list of policy suggestions.

**Business-Subgroup:** Group to focus on business/industry impact and measures to mitigate impact. D/ETE are building membership from a broad range of stakeholder including IBEC, ISME, DECC and SEAI with the first meeting expected this week.

**Data & Modelling:** Members are drawn from UCC and UCD, CSO, Eirgrid, NORA, CRU, ESRI. Scenarios to be modelled were discussed.

**Communications:** A draft communications strategy is to be finalised and launched mid-April.

**4. Policy Response Long-List Options and Framework Document**

Update provided on the assessment of the long list of options. A draft National Energy Security Framework is expected to be circulated to group members before the next meeting. Memo for Government, NESF and Communications approach to be submitted to Government for 12 April.

**6. It was agreed the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 6 April at 2.00pm**

**Actions**

Details	Timeline	Owner
DECC to circulate to Group draft National Energy Security Framework for written comment	05.04	Group Secretariat
Memo for Government, NESF and Communications approach to be submitted to Government	12.04	Paul Bolger/Kevin Brady
Draft communications strategy to be published by mid-April	15.04	Grainne UiThuama
Comments for direction for the Data Modelling Subgroup are to be sent to Subgroup Secretariat.	ASAP	Group Secretariat
Next ESEG Group to be held Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> April at 2.00pm	06.04	Group