

European Market Coupling CC timings 14:30 – 15:30

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MCSC TSO Stand Point



Background

- During the 4th MCCG (20/10) there was an action appointed to MCSC TSOs to explain why the 14:30 deadline for cross-border and local nominations cannot be adjusted.
- This slide deck addresses the timings between 14:20 and 15:30 and surrounding activities.
- The current status of the different nomination deadlines per TSO are addressed in a separate slide set.

Approved MCSC TSO standpoint

- In the afternoon and evening of D-1 TSOs have several consecutive processes to prepare for secure operation on the day D. The main basis for these processes are cross border schedules as well as generation schedules (which in turn are based on a completed day ahead market). 15:30 (D-1) is the very last deadline when cross border schedules have to be aligned (matched). The matching process starts at 14:30 (D-1) and includes the possibility for correcting schedules in case of issues on CCP side.
- In addition to the complexities of today's SDAC processes, the new IDA processes further increase complexity for TSO operators and thus risk for overall process.
- Hence, TSOs confirm that it is preferred to keep the regular nomination deadline at 14:30 D-1 and to keep the ultimate nomination deadline at 15:30 D-1.
- This standpoint aligns with the decision as taken by SDAC OPSCOM on 20/07: "SDAC OPSCOM concludes that no substantial time can be gained by optimizing activities between 14h20 and 15h30".

Market Coupling Relevant TSO processes within and outside SDAC/SIDC



