Good afternoon,

Unfortunately MEUG hasn't been able to prepare a submission on the consultation paper - <u>First steps in improving outage coordination</u>.

However, I did have one question, which is more around implementation of the changes. The consultation paper seeks to clarify that "existing outage coordination obligations apply for capacity reductions and unplanned outages, in addition to planned outages (where appropriate)" (para 5.2 (c)). In terms of these capacity reductions, I see that the proposed drafting includes the following:

- a) for the purposes of Technical Code D of Schedule 8.3, means any situation where an asset that forms part of, or is connected to, the grid or a local network—
 - I. is temporarily not available for the generation, conveyance or consumption of electricity; or
 - II. is temporarily not available for the generation, conveyance or consumption of electricity at its normal capacity; and

I can understand what "normal capacity" would be for an industrial direct connect, but is there any drafting or guidance on what would be a capacity reduction - i.e. a threshold of X% or X MW? Just want to ensure the changes are workable and aren't left to individual site interpretation.

Apologies if this detail is already included somewhere else that I may have missed.

Kind regards,



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