

Security policy and standards

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Discussion and approval

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Requested actions

1. The Council is requested to:
 - (a) note the presentations by the Authority and System Operator;
 - (b) consider if there are any 'gaps' or risks that might fall between the probabilistic and deterministic approaches that are currently applied;
 - (c) confirm that the existing winter and energy margins are considered to be sufficient, or whether they should be updated to reflect factors such as Pole 3, new generation investments and possible changes to the use of existing generation; and
 - (d) consider the relative priority of the possible review of the GRS and the development of a summer capacity margin..

Context

2. Action points from the first meeting included an agenda item for this meeting that would see:
 - the Authority provide the historical background to the grid reliability standards under Part 12 of the Code; and
 - the System Operator describe its operational security policy and identify expected future issues that may result from the differences between the planning and operational policies.
3. As part of completing this 'picture' of the current security standards the Authority is also providing a presentation on the background to the current winter energy and capacity margins.