



Call for Expressions of Interest

Imbalance Management Services

NEMO-NLL-PR-GEN-1000

1.ABOUT NEMO LINK

Nemo Link Limited (NLL) is operating an electrical HVDC interconnector between the UK and Belgium known as the Nemo Link interconnector. Through Nemo Link, market parties have the opportunity to buy capacity up to 1000MW in either direction; GB-BE or BE-GB via explicit and/or implicit auctions.

NLL is an incorporated 50/50 joint venture between National Grid Interconnector Holdings Limited, a subsidiary company of the UK's National Grid Plc, and the Belgian Elia System Operator SA.

The interconnector gives both countries improved reliability and access to electricity and sustainable generation.

2.CONTEXT CALL FOR EOI

Nemo Link operates a 1000MW monopole HVDC link which implies that an unplanned outage on Nemo Link can have a very material impact on the GB and BE balancing markets and it can also expose NLL to high imbalance costs.

In order to mitigate its imbalance risk NLL is putting in place mitigation measures to limit its financial exposure in case of an unplanned outage. These measures can range from trading out its imbalance position via third parties to the activation of contracted upward/downward regulation reserves.

NLL's imbalance risk exposure is mainly influenced by the flow direction of Nemo Link, its scheduled commercial volumes and the liquidity of the balancing/ID markets at any moment in time.

This implies that Nemo Link's methods for addressing its imbalance risk can vary over time and in function of its commercial flow profile.

The current focus of this call for Expressions of Interest (EOI) is mainly on identifying interested parties that could offer downward and upward regulation capabilities/reserves to NLL. Parties interested must consider that NLL only desires to contract regulation capabilities in function of its imbalance exposure. E.g. NLL only needs access to upward regulation capabilities in BE while importing into BE. This implies that NLL is looking for flexible products in this respect.

NLL is also interested in identifying parties that are interested in trading out/taking over part of NLL's imbalance volume or that could assist in the optimization of NLL's imbalance risk related decisions by improved forecasting of its imbalance exposure risk.

Parties that are interested in offering towards the future any of the above services are invited to send in the related EOI questionnaire which is structured around the topics below:

- Upward regulation capabilities that could potentially be offered to NLL in the BE market
- Downward regulation capabilities that could potentially be offered to NLL in the BE market
- Upward regulation capabilities that could potentially be offered to NLL in the GB market
- Downward regulation capabilities that could potentially be offered to NLL in the GB market
- Other imbalance management services that could potentially be offered to NLL

The feedback received will be used by NLL as input for potential future tender exercises. This call for EOI cannot be considered as the introduction of a formal tender exercise and no contractual obligation shall arise from this call for EOI.

The deadline for receiving the EOI questionnaire is 08/11/2019; answers need to be sent via email to business@nemolink.co.uk