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1. Introduction

A decoupling consists in the decoupling of one or more Virtual Brokers (VB) from the PMB.

A Full or Partial Decoupling is declared by the Incident Committee organized according to procedure ANDOA_FAL_01.

For the decoupled areas, the electricity Day-Ahead trading sessions are run local /regional by each Operational NEMO and the local Market Results are published independently of one another, according to regional procedures.

1.1. Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to describe the operational timeframe and the steps that should be followed by the Operational NEMOs in case of Partial Decoupling at the Virtual Broker level and in case of Full Decoupling.

It is considered that this procedure starts once the Partial or Full Decoupling is declared. Therefore, the Incident Committee and the corresponding risks of decoupling messages have been followed according to procedure ANDOA_FAL_01 and ANDOA_OPE_04.

1.2. Governed / Regulated by

All NEMO Day Ahead Operational Agreement

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1.3. Associated procedures

- ANDOA_FAL_01: Incident Committee;
- All ANDOA Backup procedures;
- ANDOA_OPE_04: Internal and External Communications.

2. Procedure

2.1. Partial Decoupling

2.1.1. General overview

In case of Partial Decoupling (PD), the decoupling is triggered in the PMB at the Virtual Broker level, according to *Annex to ANDOA_FAL_02 – Partial Decoupling at the VB level responsibilities*. This means that each single Virtual Broker can be decoupled separately.

If a PMB Operator has only one Virtual Broker or if all the Virtual Brokers of a PMB Operators are decoupled, the whole PMB Operator is considered as decoupled.

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2.2. Full Decoupling

2.2.1. General overview

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In case of Full Decoupling, the whole SDAC area is decoupled and no coordinated calculation takes place. Every Operational NEMO applies its own local/regional procedures, runs local auctions and publishes prices independently from one another.

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2.3. Post-decoupling actions

In the afternoon of the Market Coupling Session that ended either in a Partial Decoupling or a Full Decoupling, the concerned Operational NEMO need to investigate and try to solve the issue [Redacted] on the following day. Otherwise, an Incident Committee will be started in order to declare the Partial/Full Decoupling [Redacted]

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2.4. Partial/ Full Decoupling known in advance guidelines

A Partial/Full Decoupling is considered to be known in advance when the critical issue leading to the decoupling had already caused the Partial/Full Decoupling for the previous Market Coupling Session. In this case, the Partial/Full Decoupling could be declared either in the afternoon of the day before or during the Market Coupling Session [REDACTED], if the Incident Committee considers the issue to be too severe to be solved during the Market Coupling Session.

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The communication towards the Market Participants is sent out as soon as the Partial/Full decoupling has been declared by the IC, according to procedure ANDOA_OPE_04 (either *ExC_05a: Partial Decoupling known in advance* or *ExC_05b: Full Decoupling known in advance*).

The technical decoupling in the PMB is triggered by the PMB Coordinator as soon as the IC declares the Partial/Full Decoupling, as long as the new PMB Market Coupling Session is already open and the Shared Configuration process is finalized.

In case of Partial/Full Decoupling known in advance, the PMB Operators shall follow only the corresponding steps from the tables above (Sections 2.2 and 2.3).

Important remark:

In order to communicate consistently towards the regional stakeholders regarding the decoupling, all the PMB Operators need to agree on the Terms of Reference that should be used and on a common message before declaring the Partial or the Full Decoupling known in advance. This common message will be agreed in the OPSCOM, which will be organized on the day of the decoupling.

2.5. Operational Manual Reference

See chapter *Fallback in the Operational Manual (User Guide provided by Unicorn)*

