АКЦИОНЕРНОЕ ОБЩЕСТВО «СИСТЕМНЫЙ ОПЕРАТОР ЕДИНОЙ ЭНЕРГЕТИЧЕСКОЙ СИСТЕМЫ»

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Action plan for the transition to a new model of long-term planning in the Russian power system will be prepared following the decisions of the all-Russian meeting

On August 25, SO UPS held the all-Russian meeting on the issues of transition to a new model of the long-term development planning for the Russian power industry. The meeting was supported by the Ministry of Energy of the Russian Federation.

In accordance with the amendments of June 2022 to the Federal Law on Electricity Industry a new scheme of long-term development planning will be implemented from January 1st, 2023, which stipulates that SO UPS will supervise the long-term competitive planning process as well as the preparation of the General Scheme of Power Facilities Location and the Scheme & Program of Power Systems Development over a medium-term horizon in order to control development issues for the Russian Unified Power System.

SO UPS Chairman of the Management Board Mr. Fedor Opadchiy presented in-depth description of the new planning procedure, the benefits and limitations that might accrue and noted importance to redesign current planning procedures. Also, Mr. Opadchiy talked about the nearest plans to implement the new model, procedures and terms while preparing the General Scheme and the Scheme & Program.

The Scheme & Program, which is equated with the industry long-term planning documents that provide for the local planning procedures, will reflect all planned and under construction projects to impact system operation. Mr. Opadchiy reported about the measures that would ensure optimization of long-term development planning procedures that are currently being implemented in the UPS of Russia by SO UPS and the Ministry of Energy. Methodological baseline of the program documents elaboration will be significantly expanded, i.e. development of project documents, economic efficiency criteria, public discussions and publicity of discussions will be statutory fixed and implemented on the common base providing unified processes nation-wide.

There will be a mechanism to achieve common approaches, and to enhance design solutions processes related to grid connections and power supply schemes. These measures will answer current challenges of the development planning and facilitate various ambitious plans. Expected results will be ensured by continuity of the planning process and its enhancement.

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