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The Government of the Russian Federation has issued the Decree enabling SO UPS to assume the functions of system operation and dispatching control in isolated power systems

On December 9, the Government Decree came into force that establishes legal basis for preparation and transferring to SO UPS the functions of system operation and dispatching control in Far East isolated power systems (Chukotka Autonomous Region, Kamchatka Territory, Magadan and Sakhalin regions and the Norilsk-Taimyr Energy System in the Krasnoyarsk Region).

According to the Decree, a transitional period for the transfer of functions will take place from January 1 to December 31, 2023 and the procedure for technological interaction and data exchange between SO UPS and regional utilities will be implemented. Starting 2023 SO UPS will participate in dispatching control in isolated power systems and coordination of maintenance and emergency constraints schedules, grid connection qualifications and project decisions.

The document goes in line with the amendments to the Federal Law on Electricity Industry adopted in June 2022. The amended Law improves the legislative framework for coordinating the long-term development planning of the United Power System of Russia and ensures centralized dispatching control in isolated power systems.

In September 2022, SO UPS and RusHydro managed companies (Kamchatskenergo, Magadanenergo, Sakhalinenergo and Chukotenergo) have signed joint orders and approved action plan aimed at transferring to SO UPS operation and dispatching control in Far East isolated power systems. The documents are a follow-up to the agreements which were arranged in June during SPIEF between SO UPS, "RusHydro" and "Norilsk Nickel" to ensure centralized dispatching control in isolated energy systems.

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