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## The State Duma passed the amendments to the Federal Law on Electricity that set requirements for DR operation in the Russian Power System

The State Duma of the Russian Federation passed the amendments to the Federal Law on Electricity Industry that establish requirements for DR aggregators in the Russian Power System. The document provides legal basis for the integration of the DR mechanisms in the wholesale electricity market.

For DR aggregators the amendments fix the legal status of the market participants, define the new service (name and type) and the 'DR aggregator' concept. The document also specifies the selection process, calculation method for DR service forecasted volume, and publication of the relevant information. In this light the amendments specify the role and functions of SO UPS and the NP Market Council.

DR model was developed by SO UPS in accordance with the National Technology Initiative Roadmap. The model intends full integration of DR mechanisms in the wholesale electricity market as a new type of service. Wholesale consumers have the opportunity to use DR tools independently since 2017.

SO UPS Chairman of the Management Board Mr. Fedor Opadchiy stated that the new document fixes the new market tool that is aimed to optimize the power system operation. The legislative framework will stimulate both DR increase and duration of use while maintaining economic benefits. With the current available capacity, DR portfolio may raise up to 4-6 GW.

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