



Energy Act 2023

2023 CHAPTER 52

PART 5

INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR AND PLANNER

Independent System Operator and Planner: functions and designation

161 The Independent System Operator and Planner (“the ISOP”)

- (1) This Part contains provision about the Independent System Operator and Planner (referred to in this Part as “the ISOP”).
- (2) The functions of the ISOP include—
 - (a) functions conferred by or by virtue of this Act, which include functions relating to the matters mentioned in subsection (3), and
 - (b) whatever other functions are conferred on the ISOP by or by virtue of any enactment other than one contained in this Act.
- (3) The matters referred to in subsection (2)(a) are—
 - (a) co-ordinating and directing the flow of electricity onto and over transmission systems;
 - (b) making and administering arrangements for the provision of services for the purpose of facilitating the co-ordination of the flow of electricity onto and over transmission systems;
 - (c) carrying out strategic planning and forecasting in connection with—
 - (i) the development of transmission systems,
 - (ii) the provision of services referred to in [paragraph \(b\)](#), and
 - (iii) other arrangements relating to the conveyance or supply of electricity;
 - (d) carrying out strategic planning and forecasting in connection with—
 - (i) the development of pipe-line systems for the conveyance of gas, and
 - (ii) other arrangements relating to the conveyance or supply of gas;

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- (e) providing advice, analysis or information in relation to the matters mentioned in section 171(1).

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 161 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 334\(1\)](#)
I2 S. 161 in force at 31.1.2024 by [S.I. 2024/32, reg. 3\(a\)\(i\)](#)

162 Designation etc

- (1) The Secretary of State may by notice designate a person as the ISOP.
- (2) A notice under [subsection \(1\)](#)—
 - (a) must specify the time from which the designation has effect;
 - (b) must be published by the Secretary of State as soon as reasonably practicable after the notice is given.
- (3) The Secretary of State must ensure that a person is designated under [subsection \(1\)](#) at all times after a person is first designated (but at any time not more than one person may be designated).
- (4) The Secretary of State may by notice revoke a person’s designation under [subsection \(1\)](#).
- (5) A notice under [subsection \(4\)](#)—
 - (a) must specify the time from which the revocation has effect;
 - (b) must be published by the Secretary of State as soon as reasonably practicable after the notice is given.

Commencement Information

- I3** S. 162 not in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 334\(1\)](#)
I4 S. 162 in force at 31.1.2024 by [S.I. 2024/32, reg. 3\(a\)\(i\)](#)

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