Electricity market design in multinational offshore grids

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The need for HVDC – another major calculation (from Germany)

Scenario 2.1.a Maximum transmission capacities between DE – DK -NO



Source: O. Hohmeyer, German Council of Environmental Advisors (2011)

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Issues in meshed grids





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Support schemes



Income =	
oot market + ed premium ± tion / imbalances	Income = Feed-in tariff*max. amount
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ngestion rents	Congestion rents, regulation / imbalances of offshore wind farm manages deviations
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Possible constellations: Case I (benchmark)







Possible constellations: Case II





Possible constellations: Case III





Results: Case II, price premium



- The OWF sells more on the spot market than expected (if this is not outweighed by very high imbalance charges)
- TSO congestion rent income is reduced



Results: Case II, price premium



- The OWF may sell less on the spot market than expected to ensure access to B and C's high-price upregulation markets
- TSO congestion rent income is increased



Results: Case II, feed-in tariff



- A profit-maximising TSO bids less wind than expected in order to incur congestion rents
- Reason: Idle intraday/regulating capacity does not yield any income



Case III, price premium



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- If interconnector capacities are identical, the OWF will never receive the highest price
- If capacities are different, there is an incentive to bid too little in order to move the bottleneck (bid <200 in the example above)
- TSO congestion rents are reduced

Quantitative estimation

• Hourly Horns Rev data, 2007-2008



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Conclusions and policy recommendations



- Do we need special rules for offshore grids?
 - Yes, to make sure that an OffshoreGrid does not harm offshore wind energy investment!
- Do we want to induce truth-telling in all cases?
- Integrated capacity/imbalances management shows beneficial (feed-in tariffs)
- If the TSO is responsible of handling wind fluctuations under feed-in tariffs, curtailment compensation for not accepted generation should be paid
- Issue that explains many differences: only spot markets yield congestion rents
- In the short and medium run, offshore wind farm investors should be provided with a stable investment environment
- Long-run: nodal pricing or national affiliation?

Thank you for your attention!

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