

Meeting Date: 20 June 2019

ADVICE FROM THE ANNUAL SURVEY OF SRC MEMBERS

SECURITY
AND
RELIABILITY
COUNCIL

During March and April 2019, the Security and Reliability Council (SRC) Chair conducted a survey of the members. The survey responses were synthesised into a letter sent to the Electricity Authority's Chief Executive on 27 May 2019. This agenda item is an opportunity for the SRC to make any concluding remarks about the content of the letter or the process.

Note: This paper has been prepared for the purpose of the SRC. Content should not be interpreted as representing the views or policy of the Electricity Authority.

Advice from the annual survey of SRC members

Background

The SRC provided a 27 May 2019 letter (including in meeting correspondence, agenda item #8) to the Electricity Authority, summarising the key themes and suggestions that arose from the Chair's survey of the members.

Surveys of the SRC members have been an annual occurrence for at least six years, though the scope and methodology has evolved over time. This year, the survey occurred earlier in the year and made use of web-based survey tools.

While the advice arising from the survey has already been reviewed by members and instantiated in the 27 May 2019 letter, the Chair has directed that members have an opportunity to reflect on the advice and the process that led to it. That is the purpose of this agenda item.

The SRC's advice

The secretariat thanks the SRC for their time and thoughtfulness when responding to the survey. There has been useful, actionable advice given that will lead to changes. One immediate change is the 8 August 2019 meeting since scheduled between the SRC and the Electricity Authority Board.

The SRC advice includes matters for members to act on or consider in future:

“Improve commitment to attending SRC meetings, and in person.”

“Members can take more responsibility for raising matters of concern.”

“Ensure SRC provides frank advice to the Authority about the Authority itself where it believes the Authority could have done better.”

“Ensure SRC provides frank advice to the Authority about the System Operator where it believes the System Operator could have done better.”

“Be mindful that Transpower has dual roles, which may be in conflict at times; where relevant, seek clarification on the nature of the role(s) and how any conflicts are managed.”

Questions for the SRC to consider

The SRC may wish to consider the following questions.

Q1. What further information, if any, does the SRC wish to have provided to it by the secretariat?

Q2. What supplementary advice, if any, does the SRC wish to provide to the Authority?

Attachments

There are no attachments. Refer to the correspondence section (agenda item #8) for a copy of the 27 May 2019 letter.