

STC Modification Panel Minutes: Wednesday 27 February 2019

STC Modification Panel Minutes: Meeting Number 166

Date: 27/02/2019 **Location:** L1-8, Faraday House, Warwick and WebEx
Start: 10:00am **End:** 12:00pm

Participants

Attendee	Initials	Company
Chrissie Brown	CB	Chair, Code Administrator, National Grid
Lurentia Walker	LW	Technical Secretary, Code Administrator, National Grid
Rob Wilson	RW	National Grid (NGESO)
Neil Bennett	NB	Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc. (SHET)
Neil Sandison	NS	Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc (SHET)
Milorad Dobrijevic	MD	Scottish Power Transmission plc. (SPT)
Gareth Hislop	GH	Scottish Power Transmission plc. (SPT)
Mike Lee	ML	Transmission Capital (TC)
David Lyon	DL	Blue Transmission (BT)
Roberta Fernie	RF	Ofgem
Richard Woodward	RWO	National Grid (NGETO)
Rachel Woodbridge-Stocks	RWS	National Grid (NGESO) (Observer)
Tony Johnson	TJ	National Grid (NGESO) (Proposer)
Paul Thomson	PT	National Grid (NGESO) Presenter
Sophie Van Caloen	SVC	National Grid (NGESO) (Proposer)

Apologies	Initials	Company
Nicola Bruce	NBR	National Grid (NGESO)

1. Introductions and Apologies for Absence

4729. Apologies were received from Nicola Bruce.

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

4730. The Panel approved the minutes from the meeting held on 30 January 2019. The Panel Secretary will arrange publication of the minutes.

ACTION

3. Review of Actions

4731. The Panel reviewed the open actions from the meeting held on 30 January 2019 which can be found on the Actions Log.

ACTION

4. Potential Future Modifications

4732. Modification Tracker

RW provided an update on the progression of future STC/STCP Modifications, these updates are detailed on the Modification tracker.

4733. Horizon Scanning

CB advised the Panel that the Horizon Scan provides a combined view of all the Code Administrators key changes expected to impact the industry. It will be used by Code Administrator's to co-ordinate any changes that have cross code impacts.

CB confirmed the Horizon scanning will be included as a standing agenda item for the Panel going forward.

5. New STC/STCP Modification Proposals

4734. **CM071' Housekeeping amendment to definition of National Grid Electricity System Operator (NGESO) for legal Separation on 1 April 2019'**

CB from National Grid Electricity System Operator (NGESO) delivered a presentation on a CM071. CB advised the Panel that this Modification was directed by the Authority in their decision letter for the modifications raised to the STC for legal separation (CM065-CM069), this modification has been proposed to amend an incorrect definition reference to National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET) to National Grid Electricity System Operator

(NGESO) within the NGESO definition in Section J of the STC ahead of legal separation of the National Grid Electricity System Operator on 1 April 2019.

The STC Panel unanimously approved that the CM071 should be progressed using the Fast Track Self-Governance modification route. The next steps following Panel approval are for the Code Administrator to open the appeal window for 15 working days. If no appeals are received CM071 will be implemented on 1 April 2019.

4735. **CM072' No Deal Brexit' Modification**

SVC from National Grid Electricity System Operator (NGESO) delivered a presentation on CM072. SVC advised the Panel this modification seeks to ensure the STC is amended to ensure the provision in the relevant Statutory Instruments that have been prepared under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 as well as relevant consequential licence modifications function effectively. It is proposed to modify existing references to EU Regulations with appropriate references to UK amendment regulations.

The STC Panel is asked to consider if this modification meets the self-governance criteria as defined in Section B of the STC. The Panel agreed unanimously that the self-governance procedure should apply and that CM072 should be issued for Industry Consultation for 10 Working days.

STC/STCP Modification Proposals: For Panel discussion

4736. **GB Data Management Proposals**

PJ from National Grid Electricity System Operator delivered a presentation on GB Data Management. The presentation can be found via the following link:

<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/system-operator-transmission-owner-code/meetings/stc-panel-meeting-27-February-2019>

PJ advised the Panel that the reason for the GB Electricity Data Management Platform is for all Parties to upload and maintain their data. PJ stated that this would also allow Parties to effectively self-server data from other Parties.

PJ confirmed he has presented this to the STC Panel to get their views on if they would be supportive of this proposal. PJ stated this will also be presented to the other Code Forums for their thoughts. The STC Panel advised they are happy for PJ to continue with the development of the proposal and bring back to a future Panel meeting with further information.

4737. **CM070 'Consequential STC updates post RfG and HDVC implementation'**

4738. TJ advised the Panel that he took an action away to confirm which of the STCP's would need to be amended as a result of RfG and HDVC implementation. TJ confirmed that changes would need to be made to the following STCP's:

- STCP 18 – 1 – Pg 44 and 46 which refer to CC.6.5.6, CC.6.5.7 and CC.6.5.8 hence the equivalent ECC's will need to be added.

- STCP 04 - 3 – Pg 13 refers to CC.6.5.6 so the equivalent ECC will need to be added
- STCP 19-3 – Numerous references to Compliance Processes which will need to include European Compliance Processes (eg section 2.1.2, 2.1.6, 2.1.9, 3.1.3, 3.8.1. The Grid Code references in the Compliance monitoring statement will also require updating (Section A1).

TJ confirmed he will raise the STCP proposal at the March STC Panel meeting along with STC Modification CM070 'Consequential STC updates post RFG and HDVC implementation'

6. STC Procedures

4739. **PM0102 'National Grid Legal Separation- consequential changes to STCP's to reference NGENSO'**.

PM0103 'National Grid Legal Separation- consequential changes to STCP's to reference NGENSO and SO/TO interface design changes to STCP's'.

PM0104 'National Grid Legal Separation changes to STCP09-1 to reference NGENSO'

PM0105 'National Grid Legal Separation changes to STCP13-2 to reference NGENSO'

PM0106 'National Grid Legal Separation changes to STCP19-3 to reference NGENSO'

LW advised the Panel that these STCP's are pending Panel sign off before they can be implemented. LW confirmed she will circulate the documents and asked if Panel can prioritise signing and returning.

7. Europe

4740. **Joint European Stakeholder Group**

LW advised the Panel that the updates from the JESG meeting will be circulated via email.

ACTION

4741. **European Network Codes Impacts**

RW advised there are no further updates.

4742. **TSO Issues**

The Panel had no TSO issues to raise.

8. Impact of other Code Modifications

4743. **Progress Reports**

The STC Panel had no further comments on the Progress Reports for CUSC, Grid Code or SQSS.

9. Reports from Sub- Committees

4744. **JPC (Joint Planning Committee)**

4745. **NAP (Network Access Policy Workgroup)**

4746. **TCRG (Transmission Charging Review Group)**

RWO advised the Panel that the Transmission Charging Review Group met on 29 January 2019. RWO confirmed the topics discussed included; Charging Methodology Statements detailed in the CUSC, potential changes to STCP's and project progressions. RWO advised the Panel that he is involved with CUSC Modification CMP306 'Align annual connection charge rate of return at CUSC 14.3.21 to price control cost of capital' and if any Panel members would like further information on this Modification he can provide upon request.

RWO confirmed that the next meeting will be held in April 2019, the date is still to be confirmed.

10. Any other Business

4747. **STC Modification Forum**

CB advised the Panel that a number of proposals to STCPs and the STC are currently being tabled in draft format ahead of being officially proposed as modifications to the code. CB advised the Panel she proposes to trial a pre- modification forum where proposers can come and present their defect or issue and gain feedback ahead of officially raising a modification. This forum is to held on the same day as the Panel meetings from 9-10am. Anyone in Industry can dial in and contribute/comment on proposals which will cover both the STCP's and STC Modifications. CB advised the Panel she will circulate further information to the industry.

4748. **Energy Code Review**

RWO advised the Panel that the most recent workshop was held on 4 February 2019. The meeting documents and presentation can be found via the following link on Ofgem's website:

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/licences-industry-codes-and-standards/industry-code-governance>

11. Date of next meeting

4749. The next meeting will be held on **Monday 1 April 2019**.