

Headline Report – 30 January 2020

Grid Code Review Panel

The Grid Code Review Panel Headline Report is produced after every Panel and aims to provide an overview of the key decisions made. Minutes for this meeting will be published separately.

Approval of Panel Minutes

The meeting minutes from the Panel on 28 November 2019 were approved at the Panel meeting on 30 January 2020. The minutes from the Panel on 19 December 2019 will be approved by circulation and the minutes from the Panel on 30 January 2020 will be approved at the next Panel meeting.

New Modifications

There were no new Modification Proposals for Panel consideration at the 30 January 2020 meeting.

New / Pending Authority Decisions

GC0129 decision was approved on 17 December 2019. Implementation Date is 17 June 2020. This can be found at: <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/grid-code/modifications/gc0129-updating-grid-code-use-engineering-recommendation-g55#tab-tab-5>

GC0125 and **GC0127/128** decision is pending. Ofgem indicated that a decision is imminent over the next few days. The main purpose of **GC0125** and **GC0127/128** is to align the text of the Grid Code with the provisions of the NCER Regulation and thus remove any potential inconsistencies and provide more certainty and clarity on obligations.

Ofgem confirmed they expect to provide a decision on the Final Modification Report for GC0096 in early February 2020.

New Mod Tracker

As part of the continuous improvement strategy set out by the Code Administrator, a new Mod Tracker has been developed which was demonstrated to Panel. This rationalises the previous Plan on a Page, prioritisation tracker into this one file which creates benefits in improving the data quality. There is now a dynamic Code Admin Modification Status summary which shows where each Modification is for each of the Codes administered by ESO; namely, Grid Code, CUSC, STC & SQSS. New columns for the Proposer and their organisation have been added into the Mod Tracker.

Initial feedback from Panel was positive but some further work is needed to make the Prioritisation stack be more visible on a single sheet. The Code Administrator will make further improvements to act on this feedback and add an additional tab to summarise the prioritisation stack

Prioritisation Stack

There were no changes made by Panel to the Prioritisation Stack.

The prioritisation for each modification can be found on the new version of the Mod Tracker.

GC0117 - Improving transparency and consistency of access arrangements across GB by the creation of a pan-GB commonality of PGM requirements. This modification was approved by Panel to restart workgroups. The Code Administrator will contact existing workgroup members and seek further nominations if necessary.

In flight Modifications

Please refer to latest Modification Tracker for an update on each in flight Modification. This is published monthly at <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes> and will be next updated and published on 03 February 2020.

Draft Final Modification Reports

There was 1 Self Governance Draft Final Modification Report presented to the Panel.

GC0135 – Removal of Redundant Provisions.

Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC) Modification P394 proposes to remove references to Quiescent Physical Notifications (inclusive of its abbreviated form “QPNs”) and Joint BM Units from the BSC. As a consequence, the use of these terms within the Grid Code will be rendered redundant and should be removed for clarity.

The Panel held a determination vote and voted unanimously that the **GC0135** Original (7 out of 10 votes) better facilitated the Grid Code Objectives than the Baseline. The Final Modification Report will be sent to Panel on 31 January 2020 and planned implementation date is 03 March 2020.

GC0135 documentation can be located here: <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/grid-code/modifications/gc0135-removal-redundant-provisions#tab-tab-3>

Workgroup Reports

There was 1 Workgroup Report re-presented to the Panel.

GC0107/113 - The open, transparent, non-discriminatory and timely publication of the generic and/ or PGM specific values required to be specified by the relevant TSO(s) and / or relevant system operator et al., in accordance with the RfG.

These modifications seek to provide transparency for industry of the generic and/or Power Generating Module specific values required to be specified by the relevant network operators, in accordance with the Requirements for Generators (**GC0107**) and Demand Connection Conditions (**GC0113**).

The Panel were asked to approve that the Terms of Reference have been met and agree for **GC0107/0113** to proceed to Code Administrator Consultation. The Panel approved for this modification to proceed to the Code Administrator Consultation.

GC107/113 documentation can be located here: <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/grid-code/modifications/gc0113-open-transparent-non-discriminatory-and-timely-publication>

Questions or feedback?

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