

STC Modification Panel Minutes: 26 June 2019

STC Modification Panel Minutes: Meeting Number 170

Date: 26/06/2019 **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 Electricity System Operator
Lurrentia Walker	LW	Technical Secretary, Code Administrator, National Grid Electricity System Operator
Rob Wilson	RW	National Grid Electricity System Operator (NGESO)
Keith Jones	KJ	National Grid Electricity System Operator (NGESO) (Alternate)
Alan Inman	AI	Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc. (SHET) (Alternate)
Milorad Dobrijevic	MD	Scottish Power Transmission plc. (SPT)
Mike Lee	ML	Transmission Capital (TC)
David Lyon	DL	Blue Transmission (BT)
Richard Woodward	RWO	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)
Apologies	Initials	Company
Gareth Hislop	GH	Scottish Power Transmission plc. (SPT)
Nicola Bruce	NBR	National Grid Electricity System Operator (NGESO)
Roberta Fernie	RF	Ofgem

Neil Sandison	NS	Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc. (SHET)
Neil Bennett	NB	Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc. (SHET)
Adam Brown	AB	National Grid Electricity Transmission (NGET)

1. Introductions and Apologies for Absence

4814. Apologies were received from Gareth Hislop, Nicola Bruce, Roberta Fernie, Neil Bennett, Neil Sandison and Adam Brown.

2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

4815. The Panel approved the minutes from the meeting held on 29 May 2019. The Panel Secretary will arrange publication of the minutes.

ACTION

3. Review of Actions

4816. The Panel reviewed the open actions from the meeting held on 29 May 2019 which can be found on the Actions Log.

4. STC/STCP Modification Proposals

4817. **CM063 ‘Modify the definition of Force Majeure’**

CB advised the Panel that CM063 was raised by Balfour Beatty and submitted to the STC Panel for their consideration in March 2018. CB confirmed no Workgroup Consultation was held and no alternative Workgroup Alternative Modifications were raised.

CB stated that the Workgroup by majority agreed that the original solution better facilitates the STC applicable objectives and should be implemented. Two responses were received to the Industry Consultation, both responses were supportive of the Modification.

The STC Panel carried out their recommendation vote, the Panel agreed by majority that the Original Proposal better facilitates the STC objectives and should be implemented. The Final Modification Report will now be sent to the Authority for a decision.

<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/system-operator-transmission-owner-code/modifications/cm063-modify-definition-force-majeure>

5. Potential Future Modifications

Modification Tracker and Horizon Scan

4818. CB advised the Panel that two CUSC Modifications which have consequential changes to the STC and STCP’s have been added to the Modification Tracker. These

Modifications are CMP288 'Explicit Charging arrangements for customer delays and backfeeds' (<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc/modifications/explicit-charging-arrangements-customer>) & CMP289 'Consequential change to support the introduction of explicit charging arrangements for customer delays and backfeeds via CMP288' (<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc/modifications/consequential-change-support-introduction>) RWO also advised that CUSC Modification CMP306 'Align annual connection charge rate of return at CUSC 14.3.21 to price control cost of capital' also has an impact of the STC. Further information about this Modification can be found via the following link: <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/connection-and-use-system-code-cusc/modifications/align-annual-connection-charge-rate-return>

6. Europe

4819. **Joint European Stakeholder Group**

CB advised the Panel that the updates from the JESG meeting have been circulated via email.

4820. **European Network Codes Impacts**

RW advised the Panel that Grid Code Modifications GC0125' EU Code Emergency & Restoration: Black Start testing requirements for Interconnectors' <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/grid-code/modifications/gc0125-eu-code-emergency-restoration-black-start-testing-requirements> , GC0127' EU Code Emergency & Restoration: Requirements resulting from System Defence Plan' <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/grid-code/modifications/gc0127-eu-code-emergency-restoration-requirements-resulting-system> and GC0128' EU Code Emergency & Restoration: Requirements resulting from System Restoration Plan' <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/codes/grid-code/modifications/gc0128-eu-code-emergency-restoration-requirements-resulting-system> are currently at Workgroup stage.

4821. **TSO Issues**

The Panel had no TSO issues to raise.

7. Impact of other Code Modifications

4822. **Progress Reports**

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

4823. **Significant Code Review**

There was no further update on the Significant Code Review.

Reports from Sub- Committees

4824. **JPC (Joint Planning Committee)**

The next JPC meeting will be held on 24 July 2019.

4825. **NAP (Network Access Policy Workgroup)**

MD advised the Panel that the Network Access Policy Workgroup (NAP) was held on 19 June 2019. MD stated the key topic that was discussed at the meeting was the performance to date in RIOT1 and RIOT2.

MD confirmed that a proposal was put forward to align all NAP meetings and hold one combined meeting. MD advised that the aim is to hold one single NAP meeting for all onshore TO's by the beginning of RIIO-T2.

MD stated that Ofgem raised a concern about the ability of generators to buy an enhanced service from TO's. MD advised that a trial is ongoing at the moment, so that going forward a generator could go to the TO to see if they can reduce the amount of outage impacts. MD advised that this could give the TO the opportunity to reduce the impact. MD confirmed this is still on trial however will advise the Panel with any further updates following the NAP meetings.

4826. TCRG (Transmission Charging Review Group)

RWO advised the Panel that the next TCRG meeting has been scheduled for 22 August 2019 at Faraday House, Warwick.

8. Any other Business

4827. The Panel had no further AOB to raise.

9. Date of next meeting

4828. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 31 July 2019.