

Headline Report – 26 November 2020

Grid Code Review Panel

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

Approval of Panel Minutes

The minutes from the following meeting will be approved by circulation by Panel after minor amendments were made by a Panel Member.

- Panel meeting held 29 October 2020

New Modifications

There were no new modifications raised for November 2020.

New / Pending Authority Decisions

Ofgem have provided updates on the following modifications:

GC0131 'Quick Wins' Improvements to Grid Code Open Governance Arrangements

Decision was received 11 November 2020 – This was implemented on 26 November 2020.

GC0142 Adding Non-Standard Voltages to the Grid Code

Decision was received 15 October 2020 (send back) and further work was required by the Authority on the Legal Text. The Code Administrator held a Special Panel Meeting on 16 November to carry out a recommendation vote after the changes had been made by the ESO. The Grid Code Panel unanimously recommended that the **Original** better facilitates the Grid Code Objectives than the Baseline. Final Modification Report will be issued to Ofgem on 19 November 2020.

GC0142 documentation can be located via the following link:

<https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes/grid-code-old/modifications/gc0142-adding-non-standard-voltages-grid>

Update on Ofgem moratorium

Ofgem stated that their moratorium period will be from 08 December 2020 until 04 January 2021.

Prioritisation Stack and inflight modifications

The Panel reviewed the Grid Code prioritisation stack and decided to make the following changes: -

Grid Code - Prioritisation Stack



Mod Number	Previous Priority No:	New Priority No. at Panel:	Change	Title
GC0147	1	1	↔	Last resort disconnection of Embedded Generation – enduring solution
GC0145	2	2	↔	Updating the Grid Code to include the Manually Activated Reserve Initiative (MAR)
GC0109	3	3	↔	Open, transparent, non discriminatory and timely publication of the various GB electricity Warnings or Notices or Alerts or
GC0144	4	4	↔	Alignment of Market Suspension Rights to the EU Emergency and Restoration Code Article 35.1(b)
GC0133	5	5	↑	Timely informing of the GB NETS System State condition
GC0139	6	6	↔	Enhanced Planning Data Exchange to Facilitate Whole System Planning
GC0134	7	7	↓	Removing the telephony requirements for small, distributed and aggregated market participants who are active in the Balancing Mechanism
GC0141	8	8	↓	Compliance Processes and Modelling amendments following 9th August Power Disruption
GC0138	9	9	↓	Compliance process technical improvements (EU and GB User)
GC0137	10	10	↓	Minimum Specification Required for Provision of Virtual Synchronous Machine (V Capability)
GC0148	11	11	↓	Implementation of EU Emergency and Restoration Code Phase II
GC0117	12	12	↓	Improving transparency and consistency of access arrangements across GB by the creation of a pan-GB commonality of PGM requirements
GC0146	13	13	↓	Solutions for frequency control of Power Park Modules
GC0140	14	14	↓	Grid Code Sandbox: enabling derogation from certain obligations to support small scale trials of innovative propositions
GC0103	15	15	↓	The introduction of harmonised Applicable Electrical Standards in GB to ensure compliance with the EU Connection Codes

The prioritisation for each modification can be found on the new version of the Modification Tracker. Please refer to latest Modification Tracker for an update on each in flight Modification. This is published monthly at <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes> and will be next updated and published on 07 December 2020.

Inflight Modifications

GC0109 - Publication of the various GB electricity Warnings or Notices or Alerts or Declarations or Instructions or Directions etc. (“System Warning Alerts”) issued by or to the Network Operator(s).

Panel Decision: Approved the updated Terms of Reference presented from the first workgroup meeting.

Draft Final Modification Reports

There were no standard governance Draft Final Modification Reports presented to the Panel.

Workgroup Reports

There were no Workgroup Reports presented to the Panel.

Questions or feedback?

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