

# STC Panel Headline Report – 28 April 2021

# Meeting name System Operator Transmission Owner Code Panel

The STC Panel Headline Report will be produced after every STC Panel and aims to provide an overview of the key decisions made. Minutes and an action log for this meeting will be published separately.

# **Approval of March Minutes**

Panel Members approved the minutes from the March Panel meeting, which can be found on the National Grid ESO website via the following link:

https://www.nationalgrideso.com/industry-information/codes/system-operator-transmission-owner-code-stc-old/meetings/stc-panel-13

### New modifications

#### CM076: STC change to reflect the terms of the UK's departure from the EU

The proposed modification aims to ensure that retained EU law will function effectively in the context of the STC following the UK-EU Trade and Cooperation agreement and the end of the transition period. It will ensure that the STC takes into account the provisions in the relevant Statutory Instruments prepared under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (as amended by the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020).

A suggestion was made to amend the definition of "Significant Code Review" within the legal text to align with the definition of "Significant Code Review" in the Licence.

The Panel agreed that the modification meets the Self Governance Criteria and that it should proceed straight to Code Administrator Consultation (subject to the minor legal text change), on 4 May 2021.

## **Draft modifications**

#### TNUoS Cashflow Risk Transfer STCP Change

An update was given on the draft modification; which included the background to the modification, what is changing, and a status update. The slides for this can be found with the Panel papers. The modification is planned to be formally raised in June.



# Code modification decision timings and Code Governance

The Ofgem Panel representative presented their new approach for making decisions that they are trialling over the next 6 months.

This was followed by Ofgem's thoughts how existing governance arrangements could be improved ahead of any future fundamental reform, which included modernisation of the below areas as well as improvements to cross-code working.

- rationalisation
- · equality and diversity actions
- · digital transformation

The slides can be found with the Panel papers.

## **AOB**

The NGET representative presented a misalignment between connection offer timescales set out in the main STC and those set out in STCP18-1. Most Panel members were in agreement that the timescales set out in STCP18-1 were the ones used but were asked to check and confirm. A modification is planned to be raised in June to rectify the potential for misinterpretation.

## Date of the next meeting

The next STC Panel meeting will be held on Wednesday 26 May 2021.

#### Questions or feedback?

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