

**Report to the GCRP and DCRP from the
Licence Exempt Embedded Medium Power Station Joint Working Group
September 2004**

Introduction

This paper summarises the progress of the working group and indicates further work and projected timescales.

The working group has met twice since the last Grid Code Review Panel Meeting.

Progress to date

The working group has continued to focus on an indirect relationship between NGC and Licence Exempt Embedded Medium Power Stations, LEEMPS, facilitated by the host Network Operator.

NGC has produced draft changes to the Grid Code that would require Network Operators to ensure Grid Code requirements are carried out by appropriate generators within their system. The group has discussed and commented on the drafting leading to 'near final' versions.

Based on the Grid Code changes Network Operators have produced equivalent drafting for the Distribution Code that transfers these requirements from the Grid Code to LEEMPS. These proposals were discussed at the last working group meeting. Based on these discussions 'near final' versions should be produced shortly.

The group have agreed that changes proposed by NGC to Grid Code drafting in clarifying the application of Limited Frequency Response and Frequency Response to Medium Power Stations should not be taken forward through LEEMPS. This recognises that LEEMPS is focused on the mechanism for passing through obligations and not the merit of the obligations themselves. These further issues will be recorded in the working group report. The GCRP will then be able to consider the need for additional work covering these areas in the future.

Next Steps

Prior to the next working Group Meeting NGC will convert the Grid Code drafting into GB Grid Code form and includes any further comments. Network Operators will consider comments and update the Distribution Code drafting. The next meeting, planned for 12th October, will consider these 'final' drafts and the reports to the respective panels.

It is anticipated that final drafting and a report will be presented to the November GCRP and DCRP.

Other Issues

It is recognised that there may be consequential and /or 'tidy up' modifications to the CUSC. In order to aid drafting, the group has been working on a process timeline that highlights the various interfaces between parties. Although covering the lifetime of a power station this focuses in on the connection stage. This should also be useful for considering the CUSC and any DNO connection contract implications.