

# Headline Report

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Meeting Name	Grid Code Review
Meeting Number	26
Date of Meeting	15 <sup>th</sup> February 2007
Time	10:00am – 3:15pm
Venue	National Grid House, Warwick

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This note sets out the headlines and key decisions of the Grid Code Review Panel on the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2007. Full minutes of the meeting will be produced and subsequently approved at the next Panel meeting and will then be published on the website.

## 1) Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP) meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2006 have been APPROVED subject to minor amendments and will be accessible from the Grid Code website.

## 2) New Grid Code Amendments

### Rated MW

The Panel AGREED to the establishment of a Working Group to review the implications on the GB Transmission System of Generating Units operating above their Rated MW levels.

The Terms of Reference were APPROVED subject to amendments to cover additional areas discussed at the Panel meeting. Working Group nominations are to be sent to GCRP Secretary ([Lilian.Macleod@uk.ngrid.com](mailto:Lilian.Macleod@uk.ngrid.com)) by 5<sup>th</sup> March 2007.

Separately National Grid is to take an action to follow up on outstanding issue regarding the capacity terms used in the Grid Code. National Grid will present a paper at May's GCRP.

### Operational Metering

National Grid outlined proposed amendments to CC.6.4.4 (Operational Metering). The Panel NOTED that the changes would align the CUSC process timescales (introduced by CAP097) with the relevant Licence Exempt Embedded Medium Power Stations (LEEMPS) provisions.

National Grid will provide clarification on points raised by the Panel. National Grid will circulate the consultation document to GCRP membership, prior to the proposed changes proceeding to industry consultation.

## 3) Working Group Reports

### P2/5 Working Group

National Grid presented to the Panel the recommendations of the P2/5 Working Group. The Panel NOTED that the proposed changes would be a step change to the existing process and have consequential implications on the level of resources required facilitate the provisions.

The Panel NOTED that the Working Group had identified issues which may benefit from further development e.g. statistical basis of Forecasts Demand. The Panel discussed which forum would be best suited to undertake a review in the areas identified.

The Panel AGREED that National Grid will initiate a wider consultation on the proposed changes.

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## **Low Voltage Demand Disconnection**

National Grid gave the Panel an update on the Low Voltage Demand Disconnection Working Group. The Panel NOTED that the Working Group will be reconvened in March 2007 to discuss a National Grid paper on the feasibility of the scheme.

The Panel NOTED that an informal paper on the proposed scheme would be submitted to Ofgem to obtain an initial view regarding the feasibility and associated funding requirements for implementing a Low Voltage Demand Disconnection Scheme. Ofgem's informal reply to the paper would form the basis on whether the proposals would be further developed by the Working Group.

## **4) Intertrips Guidance Statement & Reactive Capability Notification Process**

The Panel NOTED and discussed the alternative wording for intertrips guidance statement circulated by Panel members. The Panel NOTED National Grid's initial thoughts on the proposed wording. Revised wording will be discussed and submitted to May's GCRP.

National Grid presented a process chart which indicated the process for notifying National Grid of revisions to Reactive Capability during operational timescales. National Grid to provide clarification regarding the information submitted in the Performance Chart, BC2 Fax and Week 24 submission. Furthermore National Grid will provide information on the lifetime compliance process outside of the GCRP. A presentation at the Operational Forum is being considered.

## **5) Multi Unit BMUs**

National Grid provided a presentation on the suitability of the current process used by Generators to declare accessible capacity beyond that declared in the Balancing Mechanism (BC1.4.2(f)).

National Grid informed the Panel that initial analysis had revealed that the limited use of this facility by Generator community did not justify, at this stage, the development and introduction of an electronic system.

National Grid has requested feedback from the industry to explain the limited use of the current process and what could be done to improve the current scheme. Comments are to be submitted to National Grid via [balancingservices@uk.ngrid.com](mailto:balancingservices@uk.ngrid.com).

## **6) Control Telephony Electrical Standard**

The Panel discussed the proposed introduction of a new Control Telephony Electricity Standard. The Panel NOTED the two issues of principles concern to Users i.e. Retrospectivity and the duration of Secured Supplies no longer formed part of the Electricity Standard.

The Panel NOTED that the Secured Supplies provisions would be reviewed by the appropriate sub-group of the Electricity Task Group and inclusion of such provisions within the Electrical Standard would be discussed by the GRCP at an appropriate juncture.

National Grid will provide clarification on points raised by the Panel at May's GCRP, prior to seeking the approval of the Electrical Standard by the Panel Membership. Panel Members are asked to submit any other issues which may require additional clarification in good time to allow National Grid to respond prior to the next meeting of the GCRP.

## **7) Phoenix Report (Black Start Review)**

The Panel AGREED to the establishment of a Working Group to discuss and review the issues raised by the E3C Black Start Review namely identifying improvements to the existing Grid Code Black Start Governance provisions.

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beneficial for the Working Group to have representation from the Scottish Transmission Owners.

The Panel NOTED that the other sub-groups were in the process of being established to discuss/review other areas identified by the E3C Black Start Review which may require consequential amendments to Grid Code and other industry codes.

### **8) OTEG Subgroup**

The Panel NOTED that the Offshore Transmission Expert Group (OTEG) had been disbanded and that Ofgem and DTI were currently discussing the most appropriate way of taking forward the changes required to introduce an Offshore Transmission System.

The Panel NOTED that two meetings of the Offshore Grid Code sub-group of OTEG which had an industry wide membership had taken place. The sub-group is primarily concerned with examining whether the technical specifications contained within the Grid Code Connection Conditions are appropriate for offshore networks. The Panel NOTED that it would be kept informed of any future developments.

### **9) Impact of Other Code Modifications**

The Panel NOTED that CAP144 (Emergency Instruction to Deenergise) had been sent to a Working Group for assessment. It was noted that the Working Group may require Panel expertise and that the proposal may instigate consequential changes to the Grid Code. The Panel is to be kept informed of the future developments.

### **10) UCTE Incident**

National Grid will circulate information on the UCTE incident. National Grid will provide additional information on the lessons learned at May's GCRP.

### **11) Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2007 at National Grid House, Warwick. The meeting will commence at 10:00am.