

Grid Code Consultation C/06 & Establishment of Control Telephony Electrical Standard

Formal STC Committee Response to Grid Code Review Panel

1. During the development of the governance for the introduction of British Electricity Trading and Transmission Arrangements (BETTA) the matter of Control Telephony requirements were considered.
2. Following discussion between the designate GB System Operator and the affected TOs, the standards that existed up to BETTA go-live were determined as being adequate for implementation after the go-live date. The resulting STCP04-5 (Operational Telephony) was written and introduced into the STC to ensure the ongoing requirement for the provision of such facilities.
3. The STC Committee does not foresee the requirements for a change to the provision of the existing Operational Telephony Standards, as defined within STCP04-5 (Operational Telephony), unless any of the standards are outwith Good Industry Practice.
4. Further changes to align with the proposals detailed in Grid Code Consultation C/06 (Control Telephony Electrical Standard) and the associated establishment of a Control Telephony Electrical Standard for England and Wales, would be deemed to be unnecessary and if required would result in additional infrastructure expenditure not contained within existing TO regulatory allowances.
5. The above response is in line with the responses provided by the respective Transmission Owners' Grid Code Review Panel representatives.