

Grid Code Review Panel – November 2009

Summary of Actions and Status

Minute No.	Item	Owner	Status
800	Basic Electrical Safety Competence (BESC) - Meeting arranged with Steve Bath and interested Panel Members on the 7 th October to discuss whether a more simplified approach which acknowledges an individual's existing safety accreditation could be considered. National Grid to report back.	National Grid	Agenda
988	Delegations of Authority (DOAs) - National Grid to arrange for Richard Wood of the NOC within National Grid to attend the next panel meeting to provide a presentation on the arguments against codification of DOAs in the Grid Code.	National Grid	Agenda
1049 & 1050	Protection Issues - Generators undertaking a survey of the Back-Up Protection arrangements in place at their sites in conjunction with National Grid in order to assess if the proposed revised Grid Code wording is fit for purpose. Several Members indicated that a copy of the survey should be circulated once again to bring clarity on what was being requested.	National Grid	Agenda
1109 & 1111	Record of Inter-System Safety Precautions (RISSP) - It was agreed at the September 17 th Grid Review Panel, a formal consultation of more than 4 weeks of the proposed wording to expand the RISSP reference numbers would be appropriate. The consultation could be used to assess the impact on I.S systems of expanding the numbers specified for RISSP.	National Grid	Update
1226	Target Voltage Instructions - National grid to provide a note to the Panel members before the November GCRP outlining its thinking on the issue. In addition to this a detail report is to be provided at the November meeting .	National Grid	Agenda
10	Compliance Working Group: - National Grid to circulate a Finalised version of the Working Group report to the Group, for comment. The panel agreed a consultation period of two months due to the complexity of the issues and the significant additional text which is to be added to the Grid Code as result of Codification of the compliance process.	National Grid	Agenda
11	E3C Small Embedded Generators Frequency Obligations - National Grid to re-draft the letter of request based on discussions at the working group and forward on to MK for discussion at the October DCRP.	National Grid	Agenda

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	National Grid also agreed to begin drafting the Working Group report to ensure that all the discussion to date was adequately captured.		
15	Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) Working Group - National Grid would carry out a survey to test the Competition for maintenance of GIS. The survey is expected to be published in the next few weeks. In addition to this the panel members agreed for an extension of the working groups TOR to report back to the February 2010 GCRP.	National Grid	Agenda
17	PNs from Intermittent Generation Working Group - National Grid to re-advertise for additional Members to join the Working Group	National Grid	Completed
20	Harmonic Tolerances and Voltage Transients - Panel Members generally agreed with National Grid's suggestion that it would be appropriate for a Working Group to consider Transients and harmonics issues together as they were related and agreed that National Grid should present a more detailed paper to the November Grid Code Review Panel meeting exploring the issues and propose Terms of Reference (TORs) for a Working Group.	National Grid	Agenda
21	Short Circuit Ratio(SCR) Modification: - The panel were informed that the relaxation of the SCR from its current level of 0.5 had been established allowing larger machines to connect to the system in the future. The panel agreed for National Grid to proceed to industry consultation. -	National Grid	Update
22	Planning Data - PC4.4.2 - National Grid to proceed to industry consultation with inclusion of final comments to be provided by panel members.	National Grid	Update
23	Annual Summary Report For Significant Events (pp09/34) - National Grid presented pp09/34 and explained that ROCOF incidents had diminished to normal historical levels in 2009 from the large spike in 2008 mainly caused by the incident on 27 th May 2008. National Grid did not intend to take any further action in relation to the minor incidents that were reported in pp09/34. BT indicated that National Grid would incorporate more information on system performance in the annual report in future.	National Grid	Completed
27	ENTSO – E Developments - JG agreed to provide the Panel with a presentation on recent developments on ENTSO-E at the November Panel meeting.	National Grid	Agenda

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28	Offshore Transmission - Offshore Transmission to be removed from the agenda in the future.	National Grid	Completed
29	Black Start and Fuel Security - JL confirmed that the Black Start modifications P231 & P232 which clarify the BSC procedures will be implemented in November. There could be some knock-on effects to Grid Code procedures but work had been put on hold pending additional resources to consider the issues.	National Grid	Agenda
33	Industry Code Governance review - It was agreed that a presentation should be given to the Panel in future relating to the expected Code of Practice for Code Administrators.	National Grid	Update
34	Inter-connector Capability and Outage Data - The Grid Code changes to requirement of outage data from Inter-connectors should proceed in parallel with consideration of the BSC changes by the BSC Panel. National Grid proposed to provide a paper at the next Panel meeting to explain the issue in more detail and suggest Grid Code changes accordingly. National Grid subsequently decided that it was important to deal with this issue quite urgently and therefore would circulate a consultation paper direct to the industry before the next Panel meeting.	National Grid	Update
35	System Incidents Reporting - National Grid to provide a presentation to Panel Members in due course describing the processes in place for reporting a variety of system events such as ROCOF incidents, local harmonics levels, voltage transients etc	National Grid	Update
36	Speaker system for the next meeting/Panel minutes - National Grid agreed to explore the use of additional speakers for telephone participants to improve the clarity of their participation and also process the draft minutes as early as possible for circulation to Members.	National Grid	Update
37	Circulation of Panel Papers - National Grid agreed to endeavour to provide papers to Members earlier for future meetings.	National Grid	Update