

Meeting summary

Grid Code Development Forum – June 2022

End:

Date: 01/06/2022 Location: MS Teams

11:00

Participants

Start:

09:00

Attendee	Company	Attendee	Company	
David Halford	National Grid ESO (Chair &Tec Sec)	Sean Gauton	Uniper UK	
Amy Brooks	National Grid ESO (Presenter)	Joshua Logan	Drax	
Frank Kasibante	National Grid ESO (Presenter)	Priyanka Mohapatra	SP Energy Networks	
Lauren Preston	National Grid ESO (Presenter)	Gavin Baillie	SSE	
Banke John-Okwesa	National Grid ESO	Pablo Paredes	SSE	
Jennifer Groome	National Grid ESO	Phillip Blythe	ESB	
Alexander Aristodemou	National Grid ESO	Julie Richmond	Scottish Power	
Christopher Smith	National Grid ESO	Sudharsana Govindaswami	Cummins Ltd	
Milly Lewis	National Grid ESO	Andrew Larkins	Sygensys Ltd	
Mike Kay	P2 Analysis	Paul Crolla	Muirhall Energy	
Graeme Vincent	SP Transmission	Isaac Gutierrez	Scottish Power	
Alan Creighton	Northern PowerGrid			
Ruth Kemsley	EDF Energy Renewables			

Agenda and slides

A link to the Agenda and Presentations from the June GCDF can be found here

https://www.nationalgrideso.com/calendar/grid-code-development-forum-gcdf-01062022



GCDF

Please note: These notes are produced as an accompaniment to the slide pack presented and provide highlights only of discussion themes and possible next steps.

Meeting Opening - David Halford, NGESO

DH opened the meeting and provided an overview of the agenda items that were discussed.

Digitalised Whole System Technical Code Update - Frank Kasibante & Lauren Preston, NGESO

Discussion themes / Feedback

A brief introduction was shared to the group in relation to the Digitalised Whole System Technical Code Project, with an update of the specific project workstreams which have been considered and will be taken forward. A timeline was shared for the Alignment, Simplification and Rationalisation (ASR), workstream with the key milestones documented.

An update was also shared in relation to the scope of the Guidance and Training workstream, with agreement for this work to proceed expected in June 2022.

It was asked whether the draft outlined plan for the ASR workstream would be shared wider once finalised?

The plan will be shared to the wider industry, and currently a team is being put together that will help to devise examples of what success would look like from the workstream point of view. Once the Steering Group has agreed on the plan it will be shared with industry. A notice will be distributed via via the Grid Code and Distribution Code Administrators in relation to seeking volunteer members for this group.

It was mentioned that there had been some research conducted by Elexon and Cornwall Insight which may cross over into Energy Code Reform, and would this research be utilised?

It was confirmed that all possible sources of information which may help the project will be utilised, with Elexon already part of the project Steering Group.

It was asked how radical the reform could be e.g., are we looking to producing a fully interactive "Wiki" type document, or will it continue to have a more "legal" feel in terms of presentation?

The intention first and foremost is to ensure that the obligations of the codes are not changed, but how users interact with the codes are improved to get the most value from them. User research will be invaluable to understand the types of features that users would like to see. We are currently speaking to the Code Administrator functions from other codes which are going through a similar process of transformation in relation to key learnings which this project can consider as it progresses.

It was asked for clarification, that the digitalisation project was looking at digitalising the existing code as it is now, but make it more accessible, and it's the ASR workstream that could result in changes to legal text?

It was confirmed that this assumption is correct

RIIO-2 Business Plan (BP2) Consultation Update - Amy Brooks, NGESO

Discussion themes / Feedback

An update was shared on the draft RIIO-2 Business Plan 2 (BP2) consultation. The RIIO-2 price control timeline documenting the key planning milestones was shared, the three roles which will be focussed on during the BP2 period, with an overview of each of the roles, including some of the new activities that will be included within this period.

The forum participants were encouraged to view the RIIO-2 pages on the ESO website which can be found here, with the BP2 consultation closing on the 10th June 2022.



AOB

The Chair thanked the attendees and presenters for their contributions and in closing the meeting reminded everyone that the GCDF is an open forum and agenda items are invited from all parties.

The next GCDF will be held on the 6th July with the 29th June being the deadline for agenda items and presentations.

Action Item Log

Action items: In progress and completed since last meeting

ID	Month	Agenda Item	Description	Owner Notes	Target Date	Status
	September	Minimum Short Circuit Levels	Ensure GCDF is updated with regards to progress on developing a proposal to include in the ESO System Operability Framework (SOF) paper	BA	On-going	Open