

Application of Limited Operational Notifications (LONs)



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GCRP May: Issues raised

- Issues raised by John Norbury on behalf of a Generator
- Should a Generator carrying out a modification be assessed as to whether they are in breach of the Grid Code before being put on a LON. Is there any discretion for NGET in the Grid Code?
- Some generators do not like to receive LONs given the wording refers to the possibility of disconnection
- Since A/10 was implemented has the number of LONs increased?

Issuing LONs: Any discretion?

CP.8.5

Issue and Effect of LON

CP.8.5.1

Following the issue of a **Final Operational Notification**, **NGET** will issue to the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner a **Limited Operational Notification** if:

- (a) by the end of the 56 day period referred to at CP.8.4, the investigation has not resolved the non-compliance to **NGET's** satisfaction; or
- (b) **NGET** is notified by a **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner of a **Modification** to its **Plant** and **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA** if applicable); or
- (c) **NGET** receives a submission of data, or a statement from a **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner indicating a change in **Plant** or **Apparatus** (including **OTSUA** if applicable) or settings (including but not limited to governor and excitation control systems) that may in **NGETs** reasonable opinion, acting in accordance with **Good Industry Practice** be expected to result in a material change of performance.

Wording of LONs

- The drafting of the LON has hardly changed since A/10 was implemented (August 2012)
- The current wording refers to CUSC paragraph 5.4
 - A process NGET may adopt with a User who “materially adversely affects the transmission system or any other users” which eventually leads to disconnection
- The CPs does recognise the CUSC processes

CP.8.3

If the nature of any unavailability and/or potential non-compliance described in CP.8.1 causes or can reasonably be expected to cause a material adverse effect on the business or condition of **NGET** or other **Users** or the **National Electricity Transmission System** or any **User Systems** then **NGET** may, notwithstanding the provisions of this CP.8 follow the provisions of Paragraph 5.4 of the **CUSC**.

Number of LONs Issued

Year	Number of LONs	>12m Derogations
2006	3	1
2007	4	1
2008	12	5
2009	6	1
2010	7	1
2011	3	0
2012 before August	5	0
2012 after August	11	2
2013	14	3
2014 so far	4	0

Issues

- Once LONs are issued there is a strict timetable that it cannot be non-compliant for greater than 12 months without seeking a derogation
- Exception is those following a Modification - provides some discretion for NGET

CP.8.11 If a **Final Operational Notification** has not been issued by **NGET** within the 12 month period referred to at CP.8.5.2 (or where agreed following a **Modification** by the expiry time of the **LON**) then the **Generator** or **DC Converter Station** owner (where licensed in respect of its activities) and **NGET** shall apply to the **Authority** for a derogation.

Questions?

