

Outage Change Management

And the effect on Generators with non standard connections

- Raised by Campbell McDonald at September and November 2013 GCRP meetings
- We took the issue to the STC Mod Panel in December 2013

<http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Electricity-codes/STC/Panel-information/Meetings/2013/18th-December/>

- Working Group formed and two Working Group meetings held on 21 January and 24 April 2014

<http://www2.nationalgrid.com/UK/Industry-information/Electricity-codes/STC/Modifications/PM077/>

- We sought the views of Generators with non standard connections through a survey in March / April 2014
- We've worked on addressing Generator's issues and a draft report on the work we've done has been sent to the Generators who responded to our survey on 4 September 2014 to seek their feedback
- Depending on this feedback we intend to send an interim or final report to the STC Mod Panel in October 2014, giving visibility to all of the report. This will set us up for debate at November's GCRP if required

Outage Change Management Working Group Terms of Reference

- The Workgroup shall consider and report on the following:
 - With regard to generators with non standard connections, whether:
 - There can be less change in the transmission outage plan that affects these generators
 - There can be improved notification of any changes to these generators
 - Outages affecting these generators can be planned further in advance in the interest of efficiency and costs to these generators
 - It is efficient to wait till an outage is analysed and assessed as viable by the System Operator before communicating the outage to these generators
 - Whether the general outage management process can be improved
 - Review the outage management process sections of the code to determine whether they are reasonable and whether there are any changes which would allow greater engagement with generators that have non standard connections
- The scope of the Workgroup shall not include:
 - Availability incentives, as the STC Modification Panel governance does not extend to incentive arrangements. (National Grid supports the use of availability incentives for transmission owners so as to assist transmission owners in determining the most efficient and economic timing and duration of planned outages and to provide an appropriate incentive in the event of an unplanned outage)

Customer Demand Management (CDM)

- CDM has increased markedly in recent years from approximately 600MW to a forecast of approximately 1,500MW for this winter
- There is an obligation on Suppliers to let us know details of CDM, although they may not be aware of all CDM
- We're looking to improve our understanding of what CDM Suppliers do and don't know about and the consistency of their submissions to us
- We're looking to flag this only at today's GCRP, with a view to subsequently corresponding directly with Suppliers and raising it at the next Ops Forum

Reducing the supply of electricity to a Customer or disconnecting a Customer in a manner agreed for commercial purposes between a Supplier and its Customer