Workgroup Terms of Reference and Membership

GC0141: Compliance Processes and Modelling amendments following 9th August Power Disruption

Responsibilities

 The Workgroup is responsible for assisting the Grid Code Modification Panel in the evaluation of Grid Code Modification Proposal GC0141: Compliance Processes and Modelling amendments following 9th August Power Disruption raised by Mark Horley of National Grid ESO at the Grid Code Review Panel meeting in March 2020. The proposal must be evaluated to consider whether it better facilitates achievement of the Applicable Grid Code Objectives.

Applicable Grid Code Objectives

- i) To permit the development, maintenance and operation of an efficient, coordinated and economical system for the transmission of electricity;
- To facilitate competition in the generation and supply of electricity (and without limiting the foregoing, to facilitate the national electricity transmission system being made available to persons authorised to supply or generate electricity on terms which neither prevent nor restrict competition in the supply or generation of electricity);
- iii) Subject to sub-paragraphs (i) and (ii), to promote the security and efficiency of the electricity generation, transmission and distribution systems in the national; and
- iv) To efficiently discharge the obligations imposed upon the licensee by this license and to comply with the Electricity Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency. In conducting its business, the Workgroup will at all times endeavour to operate in a manner that is consistent with the Code Administration Code of Practice principles.
- v) To promote efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Grid Code arrangements.

Scope of work

- 2. The Workgroup must consider the issues raised by the Modification Proposal and consider if the proposal identified better facilitates achievement of Grid Code Objectives.
- 3. In addition, the Workgroup shall consider and report on the following specific issues:

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Workgroup ⁻	Term of Reference	Location in Workgroup Report (to be completed at Workgroup Report stage)
a)	Implementation and costs;	Concerns were raised in the context of cost of implementation of the Independent Engineer and Torsional Data
b)	Review draft legal text should it have been provided. If legal text is not submitted within the Grid Code Modification Proposal the Workgroup should be instructed to assist in the developing of the legal text; and	Reviewed at length as legal text was provided in the original proposal when the Workgroup was initiated
c)	Consider whether any further Industry experts or stakeholders should be invited to participate within the Workgroup to ensure that all potentially affected stakeholders have the opportunity to be represented in the Workgroup. Demonstrate what has been done to cover this clearly in the report	No further Industry experts or stakeholders were invited because the Workgroup was well represented across stakeholder groups including manufacturers, plant owners (Generators and HDVC), and TOs
d)	Consider EBR implications	None identified
e)	Assess areas of work that need to be considered and whether any would be 'quick wins'	The work under GC0138 was separated as simpler
f)	Consider interaction with generators that aren't required to comply with the Grid Code	How independent engineer would apply.
g)	Any cross-code implications	Had representation from D-Code.
h)	Consider the testing that should be done after a software update	Compliance Repeat Plan has this covered
i)	Responsibilities of independent engineer or alternative solutions	Separate Alternative submitted and voted on.

- 4. As per Grid Code GR20.8 (a) and (b) the Workgroup should seek clarification and guidance from the Grid Code Review Panel when appropriate and required.
- 5. The Workgroup is responsible for the formulation and evaluation of any Workgroup Alternative Grid Code Modifications arising from Group discussions which would, as compared with the Modification Proposal or the current version of the Grid Code, better facilitate achieving the Grid Code Objectives in relation to the issue or defect identified.



- 6. The Workgroup should become conversant with the definition of Workgroup Alternative Grid Code Modification which appears in the Governance Rules of the Grid Code. The definition entitles the Group and/or an individual member of the Workgroup to put forward a Workgroup Alternative Code Modification proposal if the member(s) genuinely believes the alternative proposal compared with the Modification Proposal or the current version of the Grid Code better facilitates the Grid Code objectives The extent of the support for the Modification Proposal or any Workgroup Alternative Modification (WAGCM) proposal WAGCM arising from the Workgroup's discussions should be clearly described in the final Workgroup Report to the Grid Code Review Panel.
- 7. Workgroup members should be mindful of efficiency and propose the fewest number of WAGCM proposals as possible. All new alternative proposals need to be proposed using the Alternative Request Proposal form ensuring a reliable source of information for the Workgroup, Panel, Industry participants and the Authority.
- 8. All WAGCM proposals should include the Proposer(s)'s details within the final Workgroup report, for the avoidance of doubt this includes WAGCM proposals which are proposed by the entire Workgroup or subset of members.
- 9. There is an option for the Workgroup to undertake a period of Consultation in accordance with Grid Code GR. 20.11, if defined within the timetable agreed by the Grid Code Panel. Should the Workgroup determine that they see the benefit in a Workgroup Consultation being issued they can recommend this to the Grid Code Review Panel to consider.
- 10. Following the Consultation period the Workgroup is required to consider all responses including any Workgroup Consultation Alternative Requests. In undertaking an assessment of any Workgroup Consultation Alternative Request, the Workgroup should consider whether it better facilitates the Grid Code Objectives than the current version of the Grid Code.
- 11. As appropriate, the Workgroup will be required to undertake any further analysis and update the appropriate sections of the original Modification Proposal and/or WAGCM proposals (Workgroup members cannot amend the original text submitted by the Proposer of the modification). All responses including any Workgroup Consultation Alternative Requests shall be included within the final report including a summary of the Workgroup's deliberations and conclusions. The report should make it clear where and why the Workgroup chairman has exercised their right under the Grid Code to progress a Workgroup Consultation Alternative Request or a WAGCM proposal against the majority views of Workgroup members. It should also be explicitly stated where, under these circumstances, the Workgroup chairman is employed by the same organisation who submitted the Workgroup Consultation Alternative Request.

 The Workgroup is to submit its final report to the Modifications Panel Secretary on 23 March 2022 for circulation to Panel Members. The final report conclusions will be presented to the Grid Code Review Panel meeting on 31 March 2022.

Membership

13. It is recommended that the Workgroup has the following members:

Role	Name	Representing
Chair	Nisar Ahmed	Code Administrator (ESO)
Technical Secretary	Banke John-Okwesa	Code Administrator (ESO)
Proposer	Mark Horley	National Grid ESO
Workgroup Member	David Halford	National Grid ESO
Workgroup Member	Afshin Pashaei	NGET
Workgroup Member	Alastair Frew	Drax Generation Enterprise Ltd
Workgroup Member	Ben Marshall	HVDC Centre
Workgroup Member	Christopher Smith	National Grid Ventures/National Grid Interconnector Holdings Ltd
Workgroup Member	Clement Amerigo	EDF Energy Nuclear Generation
Workgroup Member	Colin foote	SP Energy Networks
Workgroup Member	Domenica Ricchiuto	GE Renewable Energy
Workgroup Member	Isaac Gutierrez	Scottish Power Renewables (UK) Limited
Workgroup Member	Georg Absolon	Siemens Energy Ltd
Workgroup Member	Martin Aten	Uniper Technologies Limited
Workgroup Member	Marko Grizelj	Siemens Energy Ltd
Workgroup Member	Michael Crowns	Innogy
Workgroup Member	Michael Preston	Nordex UK
Workgroup Member	Michael Smailes	Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult

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Workgroup Member	Nicola Barberis Negra	Orsted Hornsea Project Three UK Ltd
Workgroup Member	Pukar Mahat	Siemens Gamesa Renewables
Workgroup Member	Ranjan Sharma	Siemens Gamesa Renewables
Workgroup Member	Sigrid Bolik	Siemens Plc
Workgroup Member	Sridhar Sahukari	Orsted Power UK Ltd
Workgroup Member	Tim Ellingham	RWE Supply and Trading

- 14. A (*) Workgroup must comprise at least 3 members (who may be Panel Members). The roles identified with an asterisk (*) in the table above contribute toward the required quorum, determined in accordance with paragraph 15 below.
- 15. The Grid Code Review Panel must agree a number that will be quorum for each Workgroup meeting. The agreed figure for this modification is that at least 3 Workgroup members must participate in a meeting for quorum to be met.
- 14. A vote is to take place by all eligible Workgroup members on the Modification Proposal and each WAGCM. The vote shall be decided by simple majority of those present at the meeting at which the vote takes place (whether in person or by teleconference). The Workgroup chairman shall not have a vote, casting or otherwise. There may be up to three rounds of voting, as follows:

Vote 1: whether each proposal better facilitates the Applicable Grid Code Objectives;

Vote 2: where one or more WAGCMs exist, whether each WAGCM better facilitates the Applicable Grid Code Objectives than the original Modification Proposal;

Vote 3: which option is considered to BEST facilitate achievement of the Applicable Grid Code Objectives. For the avoidance of doubt, this vote should include the existing Grid Code baseline as an option.

The results from the vote and the reasons for such voting shall be recorded in the Workgroup report in as much detail as practicable.

17. It is expected that Workgroup members would only abstain from voting under limited circumstances, for example where a member feels that a proposal has been insufficiently developed. Where a member has such concerns, they should raise these with the Workgroup chairman at the earliest possible opportunity and certainly before the Workgroup vote takes place. Where abstention occurs, the reason should be recorded in the Workgroup report.



- 18. Workgroup members or their appointed alternate are required to attend a minimum of 50% of the Workgroup meetings to be eligible to participate in the Workgroup vote.
- 19. The Technical Secretary shall keep an Attendance Record for the Workgroup meetings and circulate the Attendance Record with the Action Notes after each meeting. This will be attached to the final Workgroup report.
- 20. The Workgroup membership can be amended from time to time by the Grid Code Review Panel and the Chairman of the Workgroup.