Summary of Meeting

Meeting Name GB SQSS Review Group

Meeting No. 3

Date of Meeting 26th February 2007

Venue Business Centre, Birmingham International Airport

This note outlines the key action points from the most recent meeting of the GB SQSS Review Group.

1. Apologies for Absence

1. Apologies for absence were received from Andrew Hiorns (Review Group Chairman), Cornel Brozio (SP Transmission) and Brian Punton (SHETL).

2. GB SQSS Governance

- 2. The Review Group noted and discussed the revised GB SQSS governance framework and associated amendment/change process.
- 3. The Review Group noted that the proposed process as outlined in the governance framework could result in one party progressing with a formal change without agreement from other party(ies).
- 4. The Review Group agreed that this opinion may result in multiple versions of the GB SQSS being used by the Transmission Licensees or the insertion of additional regional variations within the document. All members acknowledged that this scenario would be complex to manage and agreed that the GB SQSS regional differences should be avoided where at all possible.
- The Review Group agreed that proposed amendments to the GB SQSS would be subject to industry consultation. The Review Group agreed that the default consultation period for GB SQSS amendment proposals would be 20 business days.
- An overview of the GB SQSS governance framework will be submitted to the Transmission Working Group for information.

3. Intermittent Onshore Generation

- The Review Group discussed the GB SQSS Request Form and associated work load for the 'Review of need for Intermittent Generation specific parameters in GB SQSS'.
- 8. The Review Group discussed in detail the issue which the proposal would be addressing. The debate focused on the scaling factors used for different types of generations and how this impacted the associated ranking order. The Review Group noted that it would be difficult to determine accurate scaling factors for intermittent onshore generation given the limited experience of this technology on the GB Transmission System.
- 9. The Review Group noted that the GB SQSS may have to be reflective of all different types of generation not just intermittent and conventional.
- 10. The Review Group agreed that Industry Workshops would be required/beneficial regarding this proposed amendment/change to the GB SQSS. The Review Group noted that the Industry Workshops were currently in the progress of being arranged, with dates yet to be finalised.

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4. Transmission Working Group

- 11. The Review Group noted that Transmission Working Group (TWG) was a subgroup of the Electricity Networks Strategy Group. TWG continues the work of the Transmission Issues Working Group (TIWG), which was set up to initiate preliminary studies to examine the upgrade of the electricity transmission system in order to accept increasing connections of renewable generation.
- 12. The Review Group noted that TWG were tasked with monitoring progress on the construction of new transmission infrastructure and identifying transmission issues that will require resolution to accommodate the expansion of renewable generation and had established four work programmes accordingly
- 13. The Review Group noted the remit of TWG's Work Programme 2 (Technical Standards) included GB SQSS governance, intermittent onshore generation and intermittent offshore generation security standards.
- 14. Members agreed that the Review Group would regularly provide updates to the Technical Standards work programme on the GB SQSS governance framework and the GB SQSS Working Group on Intermittent Onshore Generation (Review of need for intermittent generation specific parameters in GB SQSS).

5. GB SQSS Review Proposals

- 15. The Review Group agreed that the following issues will be progressed as formal changes to the GB SQSS:
 - Grid Code B/06 consequential changes to GB SQSS
 - Replacement of NGC to NGET
- 16. The GB SQSS review request form will be presented to April's meeting of the GB SQSS Review Group. The Review Group agreed that given the limited material impact of the changes, the proposed amendment would proceed directly to industry consultation.
- 17. The Review Group agreed to keep a watching brief on the potential consequential implications of Offshore Development on the GB SQSS.

6. Website

- 18. The Review Group noted that the GB SQSS website was ready to be made publicly available. The website would contain the following information:
 - GB SQSS Document
 - GB SQSS Review Group Meeting Dates
 - GB SQSS Review Group Membership
 - GB SQSS Review Group Governance Framework (when finalised)
 - GB SQSS Governance Document
 - Summary of Previous Meetings
 - Working Groups and associated documentation

7. Next Meeting

19. The next meeting of the GB Review Group will be held on Monday, 23rd April 2007 at 10am. The meeting will be held in Warwick.

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Appendix 1 – GB SQSS Review Group Attendance

Members Present:		
Lilian Macleod	LM	Review Group Secretary
Bless Kuri	BK	National Grid Representative
John Zammit-Haber	JZH	National Grid Representative
Andy Wainwright	AW	National Grid Representative
Chandra Trikha	CT	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL)
		Representative
Colin Bayfield	CB	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative
David Carson	DC	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative
Bridget Morgan	BM	Authority Representative
Apologies:		
Andrew Hiorns	AH	Review Group Chairman
Cornel Brozio	CBr	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative
Brian Punton	BP	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL)
		Representative