Summary of Meeting

Meeting Name GB SQSS Review Group

Meeting Number 14

Date of Meeting Thursday, 15 January 2009

Venue Teleconference

This note provides a summary of the main actions arising and agreements reached at the above Working Group meeting.

GSR 008 Fundamental Review

Progress on the Fundamental review was discussed.

In Summary:

- International Benchmarking report is due to be completed by end of March
- Transmission entry workgroup is looking to develop a table which defines the connection requirements for low load factor generation.
- The Main Interconnected Transmission System workgroup is undertaking economic analysis of the planning and operation of the transmission system. Aim to complete first phase of analysis by end of January
- The Planning and Operational Contingency Workgroup is reviewing Fault statistics, voltage and stability criteria and their impact on transmission system boundary capabilities.
- The Offshore workgroup is further developing the cost benefit assessment model in order to assess the Round 3 windfarm proposals.

EG noted that consideration should be given to the treatment of High Impact Low Probability (HILP) events.

The next milestone document (High Level Options) is planned to be issued at end of March.

For next progress report will also include a high level program with major dependencies on other programs highlighted.

BM noted that Ofgem do not want the delivery of the Fundamental Review to deviate from the existing program.

GSR 003 Review of design of generation connections

A consultation document is being prepared. The thrust of the proposal being developed is that at 132kV, and lower connection voltages, generation connections may provide more or less circuits than the standard transmission connections subject to the findings of a cost benefit analysis undertaken by the Transmission Owner and System Operator.

The consultation document is due to be completed by the end of February 2009. This will allow for industry consultation to take place during March 2009.

It is anticipated, subject to comments received during consultation, to submit a final report to Ofgem by the end of March 2009.

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GSR 002 Housekeeping	
JZH put forward an updated draft of the GBSQSS with copyright agreement and the associated ownership agreement.	
JZH will now prepare a final report for this review by Mid February 09.	JZH
In mid March it is anticipated that each of the TO's will be in a position to submit licence change requests to Ofgem.	JZH, CT, CB
There was discussion of the need to include the capability to extend the ownership to any additional Transmission Owner entities that may be established as part of the new Offshore regime.	
Overall governance and the structure of the licences was discussed. The current transmission licence refer to a specific version of the GBSQSS. It was discussed that this could be changed to refer to "the current version of the GBSQSS as updated from time to time".	JZH
It was agreed that a new subgroup would be formed to take the governance arrangements forward as a new review (GSR 009). This new review would also be required to address how the version of the GBSQSS is formally adopted, eg by majority voting or some other arrangement.	
BM will advise on any co-ordination issues with the new offshore regime.	ВМ
GSR 007 Review of infeed loss limits	
The review is considering changing the Normal Infeed Loss from 1000MW to 1320MW and changing the Infrequent Infeed Loss from 1320MW to 1800MW.	
It was agreed that the Review Group had approved the work, subject to the sign off by circulation of the final WG report, prior to consultation. Report to be sent out with front sheet changed to Consultation report and under cover of letter from EG.	ML
The consultation will seek responses to be provided by the end of February 2009.	
It is anticipated that a final review report will be provided to Ofgem by the end of June 2009.	
The review will require an impact assessment to be undertaken by Ofgem.	
It is anticipated that any changes to the GBSQSS proposed by the review could be implemented by the end of December 2009.	
Future meetings	
It was agreed that future meetings will take place on a bi-monthly basis.	
19/03/09 Teleconference 14/05/09 Scottish Power to host 15/07/09 Teleconference 17/09/09 Teleconference 12/11/09 SHETL to host 14/01/10 Teleconference	

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Appendix 1 – Meeting Attendees

Edgar Goddard	EG	National Grid
Noel McGoldrick	NM	National Grid
Ian Gilbert	IG	National Grid
John Zammit-Haber	JZH	National Grid
Mike Lee	ML	National Grid
Colin Bayfield	CB	Scottish Power
Dave Carson	DC	Scottish Power
Cornel Brozio	CB	Scottish Power
Chandra Trikha	CT	SHETL
Brian Punton	BP	SHETL
Bridget Morgan	BM	Ofgem