

Minutes of SQSS Review Panel Meeting

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Meeting Name	SQSS Review Panel
Meeting Number	6
Date of Meeting	3 rd April 2013
Time	10:00 - 12:00
Location	National Grid House, Warwick, CV34 6DA and Teleconference

Attendees

Name	Role	Initials	Representing
Andy Hiorns	Chair	AH	
James Cooper	Secretary	JC	
Vandad Hamidi	Alternate	VH	National Grid SO
Xiaoyao Zhou	Member	XZ	National Grid SO
John Zammit-Haber	Member	JZH	National Grid TO
David Carson	Member	DC	SPT
Bless Kuri	Member	BK	SHTL
Sheona Mackenzie	Authority Rep.	SM	Ofgem
Simon Lord	Member	SL	Generators (Nominated by AEP)
Sean Kelly (teleconference)	Member	SK	OFTO

Invitees

Name	Role	Initials	Reason for Invite
Bee Hun Tan	Presenter	BT	Agenda Item 4a

Apologies

Name	Role	Initials	Representing
Alan Creighton	Member	AC	Distributors (Nominated by ENA)
Geoff Singleton	Member	GS	OFTO
Cornel Brozio	Member	CB	SPT
Brian Punton	Member	BP	SHTL

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1 Introductions & Apologies

The apologies were noted.

2 Approval of Minutes

a) January 2013 SQSS Review Group Minutes

The panel approved the minutes for publication.

3 Review of Actions

a) New

Action	Description	Action Owner	Due Date
6.1	AH on behalf of NGET to confirm how embedded wind will be treated in ETYS 2013 while the Grid Code Review Panel work on an enduring solution (arose from Action 4.10 discussion)	AH	Next meeting
6.2	Produce guidance note regarding use of Future Energy Scenarios and share with Panel at the next meeting	BT	Next meeting
6.3	VH to provide a paper or proposal ahead of the next meeting regarding Infeed Loss Risk to facilitate discussions	VH	May 22 nd
6.4	BK to provide a paper or proposal ahead of the next meeting regarding GSR009 scaling to facilitate discussions	BK	May 22 nd

b) Carried Over

Action	Description	Action Owner	Due Date
2.0	Produce CUSC Consultation Report incorporating the responses received as a result of the GSR010 consultation. <i>Update 22nd January:</i> DC has sent to AH a draft report and the way forward is to be determined. <i>Update 3rd April:</i> DC is to provide a final report to the Review Panel. Following approval this will be submitted to the CUSC Panel and a presentation given at the next meeting (July)	DC	Review progress at Next Meeting
2.5	Establish a working group to drive the Treatment of Interconnectors analysis forward. Additional panel members are required to volunteer. <i>Update 20th November:</i> To be discussed further with Paul Plumptre and next steps to be determined ahead of next meeting. <i>Update 22nd January:</i> A European Ranking Order is required to establish likely interconnector flows. This has not been forthcoming. For the next meeting a document will be drafted outlining why progress can't currently be made, and outlining the options. <i>Update 3rd April:</i> See also agenda item. AH/VH/SK and Paul Plumptre to provide clarity on interconnector treatment.	VH/AH/SK and Paul Plumptre (NGET)	Next meeting
4.10	VH/CB/BP to meet and produce a note together on how to treat small embedded wind <i>Update 22nd January:</i> A paper proposing an interim	VH	Next meeting

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	<p>methodology has been circulated to BP and CB for review. A note will be presented at the next meeting which will determine whether any further work is necessary and its scope.</p> <p><i>Update 3rd April:</i> It has been identified that the treatment of embedded wind in week 24 submissions is not consistent across all DNOs and there is a lack of transparency of the treatment in the provided data. A Grid Code Working Group is investigating this, and is expected to report in July. VH to update SQSS Panel on progress.</p>		
5.1	<p>GS to lead discussion in NGET to consider the best channels for engaging with the wider industry and all other panel members are invited to give any further views</p> <p><i>Update 3rd April:</i> JC to discuss with the Codes team how best to push out information after the meetings; the CUSC was cited as a good model to follow. A headline summary report will also be made and checked against SL expectations before being circulated around the Panel.</p>	JC	Next meeting
5.3	<p>JC to create an "Issues log" similar to that used in Grid Code Review Panel</p> <p><i>Update 3rd April:</i> The proposed log was considered too technically detailed; it will be amended to give a higher level view of the issues (similar to that for the Grid Code). A column will be added for impacts on other codes.</p>	JC	Next meeting

c) Completed

Action	Description	Action Owner
4.4	<p>JC (on behalf of NGET) to provide ML & SK with background information for GSR014, nominate NGET TO and SO reps and a technical secretary</p> <p><i>Update 22nd January:</i> Information supplied recently. Awaiting confirmation of the identity of the technical secretary. JC to supply this and confirm SK/ML have all required information to form Workgroup</p> <p><i>Action complete – workgroup underway</i></p>	JC
4.5	<p>JCA / SL to nominate a representative of the generation community to the GSR014 workgroup.</p> <p><i>Update 22nd January:</i> SL undertook to identify within the next two weeks</p> <p><i>Action complete – workgroup underway</i></p>	SL
4.6	<p>ML/SK to form GSR014 workgroup</p> <p><i>Update 22nd January:</i> Following confirmation that they have all the necessary information, SK/ML to form this group.</p> <p><i>Action complete – workgroup underway</i></p>	ML/SK
4.11	<p>JC to arrange meeting dates for 2013</p> <p><i>Update 22nd January:</i> Codes team are now arranging this. JC to get dates confirmed and sent to members – next meeting will be in first week of April</p> <p><i>Action complete – telephone details to be circulated</i></p>	JC
5.2	Panel members to provide any other input on the ER P 2/6 letter	All

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	by Wednesday 23rd January 12:00	
	<i>Action complete</i>	

4 Discussion Items

a) SQSS/NDP interactions

It was discussed that the SQSS requirement to use “reasonable backgrounds” when assessing security of supply is not clear or transparent, and it was proposed to explicitly state the use of consulted “Future Energy Scenarios”. Following discussion it was agreed to initially produce a guidance document to inform external stakeholders what scenarios will be used.

ACTION: BT to produce guidance note and share with Panel at the next meeting

5 Modification Proposals

None received, however discussion was held regarding two which will be brought to the next meeting.

BK noted that the Economy scaling method employed for Chapter 4 studies as amended by GSR009 is producing very unrealistic scaling factors for conventional plant, which is affecting the quality of studies undertaken.

ACTION: BK to provide a paper or proposal ahead of the next meeting to facilitate discussions

It was noted that the increases to the Infeed Loss Risk (as per GSR007-1) due to come in 1st April 2014 will currently result in procuring additional reserve ahead of when it is needed, as there are no large units due to connect or generation groups immediately requiring it.

ACTION: VH to provide a paper or proposal ahead of the next meeting to facilitate discussions

6 Workgroups in Progress

a) Generation Connections – GSR010

A final report will be submitted to the Panel, following which a one-off workgroup meeting will take place. Once this report is approved by the Panel it will be submitted to the CUSC Panel, and presented by DC at the CUSC Panel Meeting. The CUSC Panel will then take this forward via the Commercial Balancing Services Group. See Action 2.0.

b) Offshore – GSR011

The work to address comments from David Gray (Ofgem) is underway. Following completion this will be circulated to the Panel.

c) Interconnectors – GSR012

While lack of credible European Ranking Orders renders CBA analysis problematic, it was agreed that a transparent policy for interconnector treatment to provide guidance for designers. See Action 2.5.

d) Maximum Infeed Loss (Monitoring) – GSR013

The consultation closed 1st February. Two supportive responses were received. As the proposal was for no change to the SQSS, it was agreed that a full modification report was unnecessary. SM confirmed a short summary report with a covering letter would be sufficient

ACTION: XZ to provide a short report and covering letter detailing the GSR013 findings and recommendations.

e) Offshore Transformer Bay Requirements – GSR014

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Three meetings have been held and Terms of Reference agreed. A workgroup report is expected to be circulated at the end of May.

7 Pending Authority Decisions

a) GSR008-1

SM informed the panel that due to the volume of other work it has not yet been possible to progress this, but that a decision is expected within the next two months.

8 Standing Items

a) Demand Modelling

Work is progressing. VH has a progress meeting 5/4/13, and any relevant updates will be circulated to the panel.

9 Any Other Business

SM informed the panel that Simon Cran-McGreehin will be replacing her as the Authority Representative, following a period of handover and joint working.

JZH informed the panel that his team are carrying out training sessions for some Ofgem non-technical staff in order to develop understanding of SQSS principles.

10 Next Meeting

This will be a teleconference on 5th June 2013 from 10:00 – 12:00