

STC Committee Meeting

Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No.9 Held on 19th July 2005 In SPTL's Office, Bellshill

Present:

Richard Court	Committee Chairman
Lilian Macleod	Committee Secretary
Ben Graff	National Grid Company (NGC) Representative
Rachel Morfill	National Grid Company (NGC) Representative
Alec Morrison	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
David McMenemy	SP Transmission Limited (SPTL) Representative
David Nicol	SP Transmission Limited (SPTL) Representative
Steve MacKay	Authority Representative

Attendees:

Mark Duffield	National Grid Company (NGC)
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1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

163. Apologies for absence were received from Iain Anderson (SHETL Representative).

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

164. The draft minutes of the 8th STC Committee meeting held on 21st June 2005 were APPROVED with no revisions and will be accessible from STC Website.

3. Review of Actions

165. All the outstanding actions from the previous meetings have been completed or were the subject of agenda items, except from:

- Minute 132 (STC Procedures)
Awaiting feedback on first redraft of STCP11-3 from STC representatives.
Meeting to be arranged to discuss STCP11-3 over next few weeks.

Action: SHETL

4. New Amendment Proposals

166. NGC presented CA014 (Potential Change of Company Name for National Grid Company plc and consequential amendments to the STC) to the Committee. The amendment proposed that subject to shareholder approval of the change to the group name and the consequential change in name of National Grid Company plc, the STC be amended to reflect the revised company identities.

167. The Committee AGREED that the STC Amendment Proposal CA014 should proceed directly to the Assessment & Report Phase. All STC Parties to provide an impact assessment on the Proposed Amendment.

Action: NGC, SHETL & SPTL

168. A draft version of the Proposed Amendment Report will be circulated to STC Parties for comment by 29th July 2005 (subject to shareholders approval of the group name change).

Action: NGC

169. Once the Committee has agreed the content of the Draft Amendment Report, the report will be circulated to the industry for comment. The consultation period will last

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5 business days.

170. Subject to the approval by the Authority of Amendment Proposal CA014 any references to NGC within the STCPs are to be updated at the earliest opportunity. Any such changes to the STCPs will be submitted to the STC Committee for approval in accordance Section B, Paragraph 7.3 of the STC.

Action: NGC

5. Working Group Reports

171. There were no Working Group Reports.

6. Proposed Amendment Reports

172. There were no Proposed Amendment Reports.

7. Amendment Reports

173. There were no Amendment Reports.

8. Authority Reports

174. The Committee NOTED that the Authority had approved the Proposed Amendments for CA001, CA002, CA004-012 and the Alternative Amendment for CA003 on 1st July for implementation on 7th July 2005.

9. CA013 – TEC Exchange Rate Request

175. The Committee AGREED on the draft legal text for CA013. All STC Parties are to provide an impact assessment on the Proposed Amendment by 5th August 2005.

Action: NGC, SHETL & SPTL

176. Additionally the Committee NOTED the need for the paragraph 1.1 to be consistent with the treatment of BELLAs and BEGAs. The current legal text is worded in relation to the TO's Transmission System that is located at a Relevant Connection Site of the User. This would not necessarily capture Embedded Users participating in a TEC Exchange Rate Request. There may also be a similar impact on the current STC wording in relation to Construction (Section D Part 2). Upon checking, it was determined by Committee Members that the currently definition for Relevant Connection Site did refer to Embedded Users and no change to the definition would be required.

177. The Committee NOTED the possible impact of the TEC Exchange Rate Process on the DNOs. The issue will be raised at the next CUSC Panel meeting for information.

Action: NGC

10. STC Procedures

178. The Committee AGREED to amend STCPs 02-1 and 18-3 in line with the STCP Amendment Proposals PA031 and PA032 subject to the incorporation of the additional comments made by the Parties regarding STCP 02-1 at the meeting.

179. The Committee AGREED to amend STCP 06-1 in line with STCP Amendment Proposal PA028 subject to a further change to STCP 06-1, Appendix A. Alongside the name of each LJRP the appropriate version number of the LJRP should be incorporated in relation to Appendix A.

180. The amended STCPs will be circulated to STC Parties for review/approval; the signing of the STCP, by STC Parties, will be facilitated by fax.

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Action: NGC, SPTL, SHETL & Committee Secretary

181. Any remaining STCPs with a publication date of 1st April are to be reviewed in line with identifying any non-standard formatting. Any subsequent STCP Amendment Proposals to be submitted to the STC Committee for review/approval.

Action: NGC, SHETL & SPTL

182. The completion of the data catalogue associated to STCP12-1 to be discussed with Logica CMG.

Action: NGC

183. The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been extended until 30th September to allow completion of STCP22-1. Work continues on the development of STCP22-1, it is anticipated an agreed version of the STCP will be available for sign off and subsequent incorporation into Schedule 2 of STC by September 2005.

184. The Committee NOTED that non-confidential versions of the STCPs are available on the Industry Information website.

185. STC Parties can access confidential versions of the STCPs on the BETTA ExtraNet. A link to the website is to be circulated to STC Committee Members.

Action: Committee Secretary

11. Regional Differences

186. NGC provided an update to the Committee regarding the progress to date on Regional Differences. NGC is proposing that a GCRP working group is formed to review the existing regional differences triggered by the existing definition of Small, Medium and Large Power Stations within the Grid Code. The Working Group will commence in September and report back to the GCRP in February 2006. NGC welcomed participation from SPTL and SHETL upon any GCRP Working Group charged to review the definition of Small, Medium and Large Power Stations from the TOs.

187. SPTL and SHETL expressed interest in participating in the GCRP Working Group. SHETL highlighted that there would be potential commercial/contractual implications if the definitions for Small, Medium and Large Power Stations were altered.

188. NGC concurred with SHETL view on the possible commercial/contractual implications and indicated that it would be in everyone interest to work together to resolve these issues.

189. It was NOTED by the Committee that Ofgem are due to publish consultation documentation on Embedded Generation shortly. An update on the proposed publication date for the Ofgem Consultation paper on Embedded Generation will be provided by Ofgem at the August STC Committee Meeting.

Action: Ofgem

12. Safety Standing Group

190. The Committee NOTED NGC's paper on establishing a Safety Standing Group and was welcomed by the STC Parties.

191. The Committee AGREED to the establishment of a Safety Standing Group. The group's Terms of Reference are to be drafted by the STC Parties before the August STC Committee Meeting and to be approved at that meeting.

Action: NGC, SHETL & SPTL

13. Impact of Other Codes

192. The Committee received an updated on the latest developments/topics of discussion from the other codes:

- CUSC – The Committee will continue to receive regular updates on CAP092-095 in order to assess any potential impact on the STC.
- Grid Code - There will be an Extra-ordinary GCRP on 22nd July 2005 to discuss the LEEMPS (Licence Exempt Embedded Medium Power Stations) final working group report, Plant Resilience Survey and Regional Differences.
- Charging Methodology – The consultation paper on One-Off Charges has been circulated to the industry for comment. A copy of the document will be circulated to SHETL and SPTL for information and so that any implication to TO Charging Methodologies can be considered.

Action: NGC

It was agreed that the STC Committee should have a monthly update of discussions that have taken place between STC Parties' Charging Departments. It was agreed further thought would be given as to how these discussions could be best reported.

Action: NGC

14. Publications

193. The Committee APPROVED the request that the information contained within Appendix A of STCP 06-1 should be confidential and as such withheld from publication on the Code Website in accordance with the STC Section A, Paragraph 3.3.

15. Any Other Business

194. Andrew Truswell will be replacing Mark Duffield as NGC's Senior Analyst on the STC. Andrew will attend the August Committee Meeting.

16. Record of Decisions – Headline Report

195. The Committee Secretary would circulate an outline Headline Report after the meeting.

Action: Committee Secretary

17. Date of Next Meeting

196. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 24th August at 31 Homer Road Solihull, commencing at 09:30am.