STCP Amendment Proposal Form

PA043

1. Title of Amendment Proposal

STCP 18-3 – Incorporation of TEC Exchange Process

2. <u>Description of the Proposed Amendment</u> (mandatory field)

CA013 clarified the process to be followed and the obligations on National Grid and each Transmission Owner (TO) under the STC to jointly liaise in the preparation of a TEC Exchange Rate.

The implementation of CA013 within the STC, requires a consequential amendment to STCP18-3 which clarifies the TEC Exchange Rates Process.

The above change is reflected within the change-marked STCP attached as Attachment 1 to this STCP Amendment Proposal Form.

3. <u>Description of Issue or Defect that Proposed Amendment seeks to Address</u> *(mandatory field)*

Insertion of additional text within STCP18-3 which clarifies STC Parties responsibilities regarding the TEC Exchange Rates Process.

This STCP Amendment Proposal therefore summarises the defects to be rectified and outlines draft legal text that would give effect to the proposed changes.

4. <u>Impact on the STC</u> (information should be given where possible)

Effects on STCP 18-3 Issue 005 are as detailed in the Change Marked version attached at Attachment 1 to this STCP Amendment Proposal.

5. <u>Impact on other frameworks e.g. CUSC, BSC</u> (information should be given where possible)

NONE

6. <u>Impact on Core Industry Documentation</u> (information should be given where possible) NONE

7. <u>Impact on Computer Systems and Processes used by STC Parties</u> (information should be given where possible)

NONE

8. <u>Details of any Related Modifications to Other Industry Codes</u> (where known) NONE

9. <u>Justification for Proposed Amendment with Reference to Applicable STC</u> <u>Objectives</u> (mandatory field)

It is the view of the proposer that should these changes should be incorporated within STCP 18-3. This would better facilitate the following Applicable STC Objectives:

- the development, maintenance and operation of an efficient, economical and coordinated system of electricity transmission
- protection of the security and quality of supply and safe operation of the GB Transmission System insofar as it relates to the interactions between transmission licensees
- promotion of good industry practice and efficiency in the implementation and administration of the arrangements described in the STC.

Details of Proposer Organisation's Name	National Grid Electricity Transmission plc	
Capacity in which the Amendment is being proposed	STC Party	
(i.e. STC Party or other Party as designated by the Authority pursuant to STC section B7.2.2.1 (b))		
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Attachments (Yes/No): Yes If yes, title and number of pages of each attachment: Attachment 1: Revised legal text for STCP 18-3: TEC Changes		

Notes:

- 1. Those wishing to propose an Amendment to the STC should do so by filling in this "Amendment Proposal Form" that is based on the provisions contained in Section 7.2 of the STC.
- 2. The Committee Secretary will check that the form has been completed, in accordance with the requirements of the STC, prior to submitting it to the Committee. If the Committee Secretary accepts the Amendment Proposal form as complete, then she/he will write back to the Proposer informing them of the reference number for the Amendment Proposal and the date on which the Committee will consider the Proposal. If, in the opinion of the Committee Secretary, the form fails to provide the information required in the STC, then he/she may reject the Proposal. The Committee Secretary will inform the Proposer of the rejection and report the matter to the Committee at their next meeting. The Committee can reverse the Committee Secretary's decision and if this happens the Committee Secretary will inform the Proposer.

The completed form should be returned to:

Lilian Macleod STC Committee Secretary Commercial Frameworks National Grid Company plc NGT House Warwick Technology Park Gallows Hill Warwick, CV34 6DA

Or via e-mail to: STCTeam@uk.ngrid.com

Attachment 1: Revised Legal Text for STCP 18-3 TEC Changes

STCP 18-3 Issue 0045 TEC Changes

STC Procedure Document Authorisation

Company	Name of Party Representative	Signature	Date
National Grid			
Electricity			
Transmission plc			
SP Transmission Ltd			
Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Ltd			

STC Procedure Change Control History

Issue 001	07/02/2005	BETTA Go-Live Version
Issue 002	26/05/2005	Issue 002 incorporating PA012
Issue 003	28/07/2005	Issue 003 incorporating PA032
Issue 004	25/10/2005	Issue 0043 incorporating PA034 & PA037
Issue 005	22/12/2005	Issue 005 incorporating PA043

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1 Introduction

1.1 Scope

- 1.1.1 This procedure describes the process for the submission of a NGET Construction Application to a TO for a Modification as a result of a User applying to NGET for a revision of their long term Transmission Entry Capacity (TEC) and if required the issue of a TO Construction Offer. It defines the tasks, the formal documentation, interface requirements, the timescales and the responsibilities required between NGET, the Host TO, Affected TO and Other Affected TO(s) from receipt of a User Application, to the signing of an Offer.
- 1.1.2 This procedure applies to NGET and each TO. For the purposes of this document, TOs are:
 - SPT; and
 - SHETL.

1.2 Objectives

1.2.1 The objective of this procedure is to detail how the TEC Changes process will be addressed across the NGET - TO interfaces to enable the Parties to discharge their responsibilities under the STC and to ensure that responsibilities are clear.

1.3 Background

1.3.1 Under the CUSC a User can apply to NGET to amend their contractual arrangements for TEC on the GB Transmission System. The impact such a change may have on the GB Transmission System necessitates communication between NGET and each Affected TO to address any impact and, if necessary, raise an NGET Construction Application.

2 Key Definitions

2.1 For the purposes of STCP 18-3:

- 2.1.1 **Affected TO(s)** means any TO in relation to whose Transmission System is affected by the User Application for use of the GB Transmission System and satisfies the criteria set out in the STC, Schedule Four (see STC Section D, part 2, paragraph 2.2.2).
- 2.1.2 **Affected Parties** means the Host TO, Affected TO(s) and Other Affected TO(s) as appropriate, involved in producing TO Construction Offers relating to a particular User Application.
- 2.1.3 **Application Programme** means a programme to manage the application process and forms part of the Scheme Briefing Note (see appendix B.1 of STCP 18-1 Connection and Modification Application). The Application Programme lists the milestones against which the dates agreed by all parties are inserted.
- 2.1.4 **Host TO** means the Transmission Owner whose Transmission System is located at the Relevant Connection Site (see STC Section D, part 2, paragraph 2.2.1).
- 2.1.5 **Other Affected TO(s)** means any TO who is not a Host TO or an Affected TO, but which receives Construction Planning Assumptions, or NGET otherwise identifies that it is likely to be required to enter into a TO Construction Agreement in respect of the Construction Project.

3 Procedure

3.1 Requests for extension to application process timescale

3.1.1 It may be necessary, at any stage of the TEC Changes process, for a Party to submit a request to the Authority for an extension to the application timescales. This will be done in accordance with STCP 18-1 Connection and Modification Application.

3.2 TEC Decrease Process

- 3.2.1 In accordance with the CUSC, a User can decrease its TEC by giving NGET not less than 5 Business Days notice.
- 3.2.2 Within 2 Business Days of receiving the notice to reduce TEC from the User, NGET shall send a copy of the notice to the relevant Parties, in accordance with STC, Schedule Four. The relevant Parties may wish to consider whether the TEC decrease necessitates changes to the investment plan (in accordance with STCP 16-1 Investment Planning).
- 3.2.3 Following receipt of the notice to reduce TEC from the User, NGET shall issue a revised Appendix C of the relevant Bilateral Agreement to the User as soon as practicable. NGET shall then notify the relevant Parties when the change to the User's Bilateral Agreement has been effected.
- 3.2.4 Within 5 Business Days of receiving notification from NGET that the TEC reduction has been effected, the Host TO shall update the relevant Connection Site Specification and send NGET a copy of the updated Connection Site Specification.

3.3 TEC Increase Process

- 3.3.1 A User can request an increase in its TEC, up to a maximum of the CEC set out in their Bilateral Agreement. The User shall request an increase in TEC in the form of a Modification Application. In accordance with the CUSC, NGET shall make a Modification Offer to the User within 28 days, where practicable, and not more than 3 months (save where the Authority consents to a longer period) after NGET receives the Modification Application.
- 3.3.2 Within 3 business days of receiving the Modification Application from the User, NGET shall submit an NGET Construction Application to each of the Affected Parties, in accordance with STC Schedule Six and/or Schedule Seven. STCP 18-2 Use of System Application (section 3.2) or STCP 18-1 Connection and Modification Application (section 3.2) should be followed as appropriate.
- 3.3.3 The Affected Parties shall each assess whether there is an impact on their Transmission System requiring additional connection and/or infrastructure assets, and identify whether there is a capacity interaction with any unsigned TO Construction Offers.
- 3.3.4 Within 21 calendar days of the NGET Application Date (or such other time as may be agreed), depending on the outcome of the completed impact assessment, either section 3.3.5 or 3.3.6, is followed.

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- 3.3.5 If any of the Affected Parties determine that there is no impact on their respective Transmission System, then they will inform NGET, in accordance with the Application Programme, that there are no Transmission Connection Works required. Such Affected Parties will at the same time as notifying NGET that they shall not be submitting a TO Construction Offer, or such other time as may be agreed within the 28 days Application Programme, notify NGET of any technical design or operational criteria which they intend to assume will apply to User Equipment at the Relevant Connection Site. Where none of the Affected Parties has Transmission Construction Works, NGET will inform each of the Affected Parties when the change to the agreement with the User is effected by sending an updated Scheme Briefing Note to them.
- 3.3.6 If any of the Affected Parties assess that there is an impact on their respective Transmission System, then they will inform NGET that Transmission Construction Works are required. NGET and the Affected Parties shall agree an Application Programme to enable NGET to make the Offer to the User. NGET shall continue to make the Offer to the User within 3 months of the User Application Date by following STCP 18-1 Connection and Modification Application process from where the Affected Parties assess the impact of the NGET Construction Application to the end of the process.

3.4 Exchange of TEC Process

- 3.4.1 Users can trade TEC subject to an Exchange Rate between the sites concerned, calculated by the Affected Parties and NGET and provided to Users by NGET on a chargeable basis. On trading, both the Increasing User and Decreasing User shall submit their Exchange Rate Request to NGET. Subject to the payment of the appropriate Exchange Rate Request fee, NGET shall, after receipt of an Exchange Rate Request respond with the Exchange Rate as soon as practicable and not more than 3 months after NGET receives the request.
- 3.4.2 Within 3 business days of receiving the Exchange Rate Request from the Increasing and Decreasing Users which involves a counterparty within SPT's and/or SHETL's transmission areas, or in the case of the Increasing User satisfies the criteria set out in Schedule Four of the STC, NGET shall send a NGET TEC Exchange Rate Application to the Affected Parties. STCP18-1 Connection and Modification Application (sections 3.2.1 to 3.2.15 inclusive) should be followed.
- 3.4.3 The Affected Parties shall assess how much of an increase in TEC could be accommodated at the Increasing User's site, whilst still retaining a SQSS compliant system, as a result of a specific decrease in TEC at the Decreasing User's Site. The Affected Parties shall carry out the assessment in accordance with the Application Programme.
- 3.4.4 The Affected Parties shall discuss and agree their assessment as appropriate. NGET shall be included (as appropriate) in any discussions between the Affected Parties.
- 3.4.5 Each Affected Party shall submit by e-mail to NGET the TO TEC Exchange Rate resulting from their assessment. The timescales of the submission is to be in line with the Application Programme.
- 3.4.6 NGET will inform each of the Affected Parties when the change to the agreements with the Increasing User and Decreasing User is effected by sending an updated Scheme Briefing Note to them. Within 5 Business Days of receiving notification from NGET that the TEC Trade has been effected, the Host TO(s) shall update the relevant Connection Site Specifications and send a copy to NGET.

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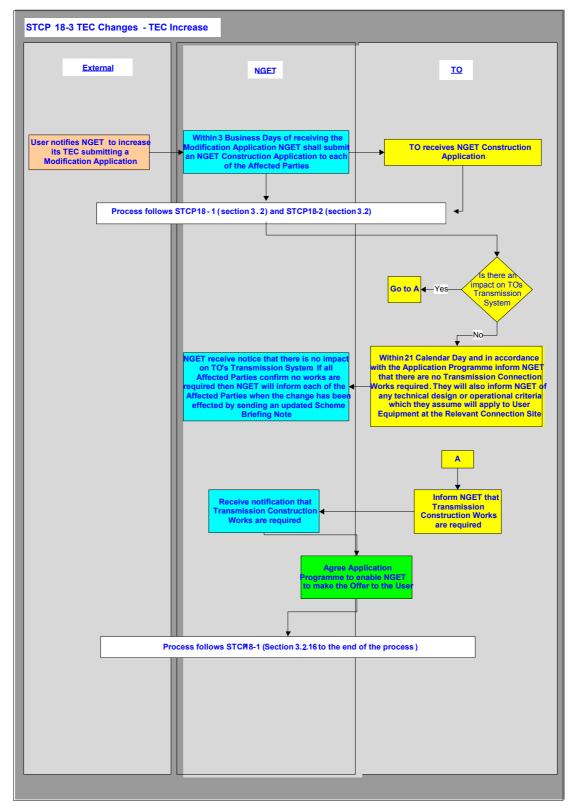
4 Nuclear Site Licence Provisions Agreement

4.1 General

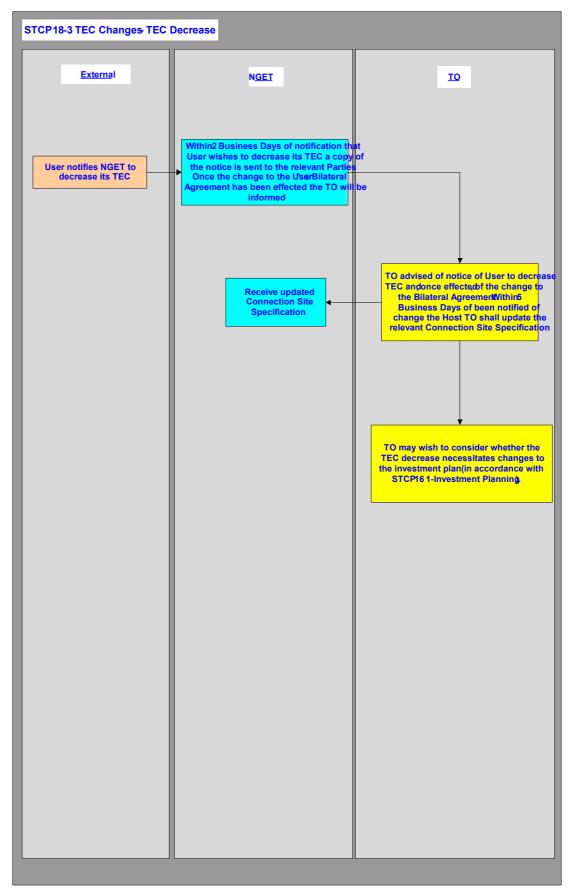
4.1.1 When following this process where this may interact with, impact upon or fall within the boundary of a Nuclear Site Licence holder's site, or may otherwise have any form of affect and/or implication for a nuclear power station, consideration must be given to the relevant provisions of the applicable Nuclear Site Licence Provisions Agreement, the CUSC Bilateral Connection Agreement for that site, paragraph 6.9.4 of the CUSC and Section G3 of the SO/TO Code to ensure compliance with all of these obligations.

Appendix A: Process Diagrams

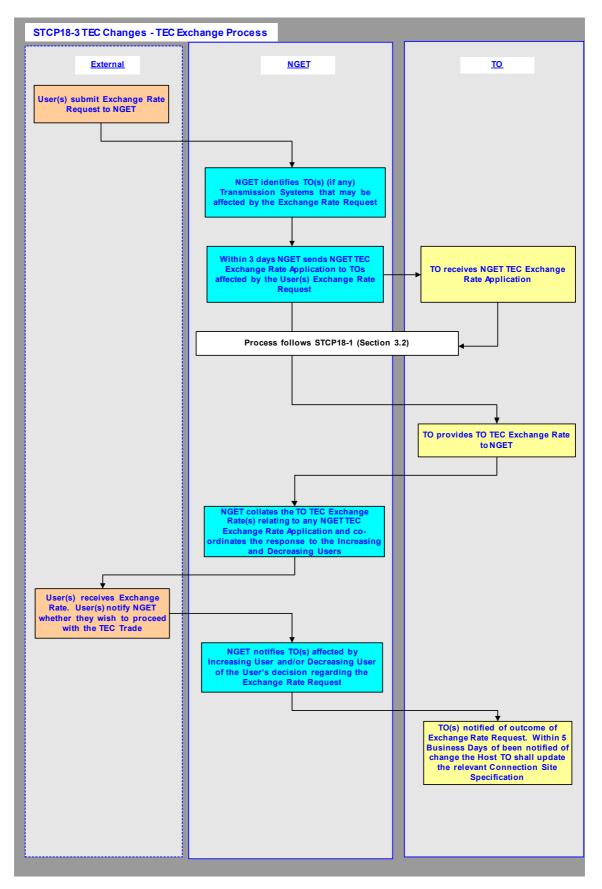
Note that the Process Diagrams shown in this Appendix A are for information only. In the event of any contradiction between the process represented in this Appendix and the process described elsewhere in this STCP, then the text elsewhere in this STCP shall prevail.



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Appendix B: Abbreviations & Definitions

Abbreviations

- CEC Connection Entry Capacity
- SHETL Scottish Hydro-Electricity Transmission Ltd
- SPTL SP Transmission Ltd
- TEC Transmission Entry Capacity
- TO Transmission Owner

Definitions

STC definitions used:

Authority

Business Day

Connection Site Specification

Construction Planning Assumptions

Construction Project

Decreasing User

GB Transmission System

Increasing User

Modification

NGET

NGET Application Date

NGET Construction Application

NGET TEC Exchange Rate Application

Party

Relevant Connection Site

TO Construction Agreement

TO Construction Offer

TO TEC Exchange Rate

Transmission Connection Works Transmission System User Application User Application Date User Equipment

CUSC definitions used:

Bilateral Agreement Exchange Rate Exchange Rate Request STCP 18-3 TEC Changes Issue 0045 - 2522/192/2005 Financial Year Modification Application Modification Offer Offer TEC Trade Transmission Entry Capacity User

Definition used from other STCPs:

Scheme Briefing Note: STCP18-1: Connection and Modification Application