

STC Committee Meeting

Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No.20 Held on 18th April 2006 via Teleconference

Present:

Alec Morrison	Committee Chairman (SHETL)
Shafiq Ullah	Committee Secretary
Ben Graff	National Grid Representative (NGET)
David Osborne	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
David Nicol	SP Transmission Limited (SPTL) Representative
David McMenemy	SP Transmission Limited (SPTL) Representative
Steve Mackay	Authority Representative (Ofgem)

1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

410. Apologies were received from Layton Jones (NGET).

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

411. The minutes of the STC Committee Meeting held on 22nd March 2006 were approved. The minutes of the STC Committee Meeting held on 3rd April 2006 were also approved.

3. Review of Actions

412. All the outstanding actions from the previous meetings have been completed or were the subject of agenda items.

4. New Amendment Proposals

413. CA021 Exchange of Certain Investment Planning Data was proposed by National Grid and circulated prior to the meeting. BG briefly presented this new Amendment Proposal, which seeks to propose changes to paragraph 2.4.3 (and 2.4.2) of Schedule 3 of the STC to allow Parties to disclose specific data to Transmission Owners on an enduring basis for the purposes of transmission investment planning, specifically stability studies. The current provisions of paragraph 2.4.3 of Schedule 3, which currently allows this, will expire on 30 September 2006. However, there is a continuing need for this data to be provided to enable all Parties to meet their Licence obligations. BG proposed to move CA021 to the Assessment and Report phase. SPTL and SHETL said they were broadly in agreement with CA021, at this stage, but all parties agreed it would be sensible to explore the details further at the evaluation stage.

414. The Committee AGREED for CA021 to be taken forward to the Evaluation Phase. The Committee Secretary to arrange a teleconference meeting within the next two weeks to carry out this evaluation.

Action: Committee Secretary

5. Working Group Reports

415. CA020 GB Transmission Performance Reporting this Amendment Proposal seeks to establish a process in the STC for the development of the statement by which the GB Transmission System Performance can be measured and for the production of the associated report. SPTL, NGET & SHETL agreed that CA020 can now move to the next stage. It was agreed AT would draft the Assessment Report. BG indicated that where possible all members of the STC should take turns in sharing the workload of such activities. DN said that he was all for sharing work but highlighted NGET's

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administrative obligations and noted that the taking forward of work needed to be consistent with these.

416. The Committee AGREED CA020 could be taken forward to Assessment Phase. The Committee Secretary to discuss with National Grid the preparation of the Consultation Assessment Report. A meeting will then be set up to take CA020 through its evaluation.

Action: Committee Secretary

6. Proposed Amendment Reports

417. There were no Proposed Amendment Reports.

7. Amendment Reports

418. CA018 Removal of the Restriction on Proposing Alternative Amendments. The consultation period for CA018 ended on 6th April 2006. No responses were received on the report from Industry Consultation. The Committee AGREED for the final Amendment Report to be sent to the Authority. Secretary to send report to the Authority.

Action: Committee Secretary

8. Authority Decisions

419. There were no Authority Decisions to report.

9. STC Procedures

420. PA046 – Amendment of STCP19-3. SPTL has received the draft paper which is being reviewed. Together SPTL and SHETL will have further discussions on the draft paper. DN to contact SHETL representative to discuss latest draft of PA046. DN to forward copy of the draft paper to AM. It is anticipated that a formal proposal will be available before the next STC Committee meeting. National Grid to also check they are happy with the draft.

Action: DN (SPTL)

10. Reports from Sub-Committees

Charging User Group

421. Minutes of the March CHUG meeting were presented to the STC Committee.

JPC Committee updates

422. A brief update was received from the JPC. SPTL & SHETL requested that all updates be provided to the Committee, and that these should be broader than information directly relevant to the STC. It was AGREED that all STC Committee Members would discuss this with their JPC representatives, and that STC Committee Members would discuss further off-line.

Action: Committee Members & Committee Secretary

Safety Standing Group

423. No updates to report from the Safety Standing Group.

424. Committee members AGREED to contact associated Safety Standing Group representatives to discuss how best to coordinate future work. The Committee members were concerned that lack of communication between the parties could lead to misunderstanding between the parties. It was recognised this may require a teleconference meeting to agree a common approach to the management of safety issues going forwards.

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11. Impact of Other Code Modifications

425. The Committee received an update via the Codes Summary document on the latest developments/topics of discussion from the other Codes.

12. Publications

426. There has been no new data, identified by any of the STC Parties, which should be categorised as confidential.

13. Any Other Business

427. The Committee received an update regarding The Proposed Amendment Report on CA016/CA017/CA019. The Committee Secretary advised the closing date for Consultation is 20th April 2006, to-date no responses have been received. Following close of consultation a meeting will be necessary to agree the next steps.
428. Committee Secretary to arrange a teleconference meeting to discuss CA016/CA017/CA019 Consultation prior to submitting the Amendment Report to Ofgem. Teleconference to be arranged w/c 24th April 2006.

Action: Committee Secretary

14. Date of Next Meeting

429. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 16th May 2006 at National Grid offices in Warwick. Time to be confirmed. (As usual this is dependent on business, all parties will agree whether a Conference Call might be more appropriate nearer the time).