

STC Committee Meeting

Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No. 23 Held on 20th June 2006 via Teleconference

Present:

Alec Morrison	Committee Chairman
Shafiq Ullah	Committee Secretary
Ben Graff	National Grid Representative
Layton Jones	National Grid Representative
David Osborne	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
David McMenemy	SP Transmission Limited (SPTL) Representative
Joseph Dunn	SP Transmission Limited (SPTL) Representative
Dipen Ghadia	Authority Representative

Attendees:

Andrew Truswell	National Grid
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1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

450. There were no apologies for absence.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

451. The minutes of the STC Committee Meeting held on 17th May 2006 were approved.

3. Review of Actions

452. All the outstanding actions from the previous meeting had been completed or were the subject of agenda items.

4. New Amendment Proposals

453. There were no New Amendment Proposals.

5. Working Group Reports

454. There were no Working Group Reports to discuss.

6. Proposed Amendment Reports

455. CA021 Exchange of Certain Investment Planning Data

Further discussion took place regarding comments made on the draft report. SHETL had commented that they believed that paragraphs 3.2 and 3.3 should be removed from the Proposed Amendment Report. National Grid were concerned about this proposal, believing that the paragraphs supported the document in providing relevant background information relating to the Proposed Amendment as well as ensuring that the Proposed Amendment Report could stand alone as a document when being reviewed. Following further discussion, SHETL agreed that the paragraphs could be retained within the document.

National Grid had proposed some alternative wording for paragraphs 5.11 and 6.4, which it believed more accurately reflected the risks of the "Do nothing" option. However, SPTL were concerned that the wording of paragraph 5.11 should reflect the JPC assessment, although they agreed that paragraph 6.4 should represent National Grid's view. All Parties agreed to review the potential revised paragraph 5.11 by Friday 23rd June 2006. Subject to the comments received, the aim would be to circulate the

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Proposed Amendment Report for consultation on Monday 26th June 2006.

Action: All, Committee Secretary

7. Amendment Reports

456. CA020 GB Transmission Performance Reporting

CA020 was presented to the Committee for final sign off. The Committee AGREED for CA020 to be issued to the Authority. Committee Secretary to issue.

Action: Committee Secretary

8. Authority Decisions

457. The Committee NOTED two decisions from the Authority since the last STC Committee Meeting.

458. CA018

The direction/decision letter from Ofgem relating to CA018 (Removal on the restriction on Proposing Alternative Amendments) was received on 31st May 2006. Ofgem approved CA018 with the changes taking effect on 7th June 2006.

459. CA016/CA017/CA019

The direction/decision letter from Ofgem relating to CA016 (Modification Applications in Respect of Certain Embedded Power Stations), CA017 (Assessment of the Impact of Certain Embedded Power Stations) and CA019 (Assessment of the Impact of Certain Embedded Power Stations) was received on 14th June 2006. Ofgem approved CA016 Alternative Amendment and rejected CA017 and CA019. The changes will take effect on 14th July 2006.

9. STC Procedures

460. There were no STC Procedures to discuss.

10. Reports from Sub-Committees

Charging User Group (ChUG)

461. There were no updates available from ChUG at the time of the meeting. The last meeting took place 12th June 2006 with the chair being appointed from SPTL. (Note: A new chair is appointed for each ChUG, rotating amongst ChUG members.) Committee Secretary to request an update from the ChUG meeting of 12th June 2006.

Action: Committee Secretary

Joint Planning Committee (JPC)

462. A JPC update was circulated to the Committee prior to the meeting. All Parties agreed to discuss the content of the JPC report with their JPC representatives, particularly items 5 (long term outage planning information) and 7 (seven year planning timescales), and report back at the next STC Committee Meeting.

Action: All

Safety Standing Group (SSG)

463. SPTL facilitated a meeting of the SSG on 14th June 2006. The SSG discussed a strategy document which will be presented at the next GCRP (scheduled for 20th July 2006). The Committee will await further updates following the 20th July 2006.

11. Impact of Other Code Modifications

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

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12. Publications

465. The Committee agreed that the item subsequently discussed under Any Other Business (Minute 466) should be categorised as confidential.

13. Any Other Business

466. This information has been removed from this version of the STC Committee Meeting minutes on the grounds of confidentiality.

14. Date of Next Meeting

467. The next STC Committee meeting was scheduled for 18th July 2006. Due to various members' unavailability this date will be changed, and SHETL are to circulate for agreement suitable dates for the next meeting. (As usual the location of the meeting is dependent on business, and parties will agree whether a Conference Call might be more appropriate nearer the time.)

Action: SHETL