

# STC Committee Meeting

## Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No. 30 Held on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2007 via Teleconference

### Present:

Alec Morrison	Committee Chairman
Lilian Macleod	Committee Secretary
Bec Thornton	National Grid Representative
Layton Jones	National Grid Representative
David Osborne	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
Joe Dunn	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative
David McMenemy	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative
Dipen Gadhia	Authority Representative

### 1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

625. There were no apologies for absence.

### 2. Minutes of Last Meeting

626. The draft minutes from the STC Committee Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2006 were APPROVED and will be accessible from the STC website.

### 3. Review of Actions

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

- Minute 567 (PLD and TOGA Interface)  
SP has identified potential issues with the current arrangements governing the PLDs and TOGA interface. SP will circulate a paper outlining the potential issues to their planning counterparts in National Grid and SHETL.

**Action: SPT**

The Committee NOTED that this review of the PLD/TOGA interface arrangements may result in formal changes being proposed to the relevant STCPs.

### 4. New Amendment Proposals

628. There were no new Amendment Proposals.

### 5. Working Group Reports

629. There were no Working Group Reports.

### 6. Proposed Amendment Reports

630. There were no Proposed Amendment Reports.

### 7. Amendment Reports

631. There were no Amendment Reports.

### 8. Pending Authority Decisions

632. There were no pending Authority Decisions.

### 9. Authority Decisions

633. There was no recent Authority Decisions.

### 10. STC Procedures

634. The Committee AGREED to review the proposed STCP18-4 (Request for a Statement of Works) prior to its formal incorporation into the STC. A teleconference meeting will be scheduled to finalise the format and content of STCP18-4. The Committee will receive an update at February's STC Committee meeting.

**Action: National Grid, SHETL and SPT**

635. The Committee AGREED that when all STC Parties are satisfied with the proposed STCP, it will be formally signed off and officially incorporated into Schedule 2 of the STC. The signing of the STCP, by STC Parties, will be facilitated by fax.

### 11. Operational Metering

636. National Grid presented a paper to the Committee on the issues affecting the metering of Embedded Generation. The Committee NOTED that a mismatch between forecasted and actual generation had been identified which was prevalent in Embedded Generation, particularly windfarms.

637. National Grid informed the Committee that they were managing this mismatch as economically as possible but highlighted that the situation would be aggravated as and when additional windfarms connected to the GB Transmission System.

638. The Committee NOTED that the relevant operational metering data was submitted to National Grid by the Scottish TOs (on behalf of the User) via the SCADA system.

639. The Committee AGREED that there was currently no requirement to amend the existing STC and STCP obligations regarding Operational Metering. The Committee AGREED to review this issue periodically to ensure that the provisions within the STC and associated STCPs remain relevant.

640. SPT will provide comments on the content of the paper to National Grid.

**Action: National Grid and SPT**

641. The Committee NOTED that National Grid was currently reviewing the existing Grid Code obligations for Operational Metering in order to ensure that provisions adequately reflected the requirements for LEEMPS.

### 12. Phoenix Report

642. The Committee NOTED that an external working group would be established to progress the relevant Grid Code changes. The Committee would be kept informed of the progress of the Grid Code Working Group.

**Action: National Grid**

643. The Committee NOTED that the Operational Resilience team within National Grid would in conjunction with the Scottish TOs review the issue identified by the Black Start Review Exercise which would impact the existing STC and STCP Black Start provisions e.g. Zonal Restorations.

### 13. Control Telephony Electrical Standard

644. The Committee discussed the query from the Grid Code Review Panel (GCRP) regarding the establishment of a Control Telephony Standard, applicable in Scotland.

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645. The Committee NOTED that the GCRP was not requesting any formal changes to be made to the Control Telephony arrangements for Scotland. The GCRP was enquiring as to the appropriateness of establishing a Control Telephony Standard for Scotland, given that one was currently being proposed for England and Wales.
646. The Committee AGREED to submit a formal reply to February's GCRP outlining why the establishment of Scottish Control Telephony Electrical Standard was not required.
647. SHETL has circulated a draft version of the response for comment. SPT and National Grid will review the reply and provide appropriate comment.

**Action: National Grid and SPT**

### 14. Reports from Sub-Committees

#### Charging User Group

648. The Committee NOTED that the next scheduled meeting of ChUG is 9<sup>th</sup> January 2007. An update will be provided to February's STC Committee meeting.

**Action: Committee Secretary**

#### JPC

649. The Committee NOTED that the next scheduled meeting of JPC is 24<sup>th</sup> January 2007. An update will be provided to February's STC Committee meeting.

**Action: Committee Secretary**

#### Safety Standing Group

650. The Committee NOTED that the Safety Standing Group had finalised the Grid Code Consultation Document for 'Management of No System Connection'. The revised proposal will be submitted to the Grid Code Review Panel for review prior to its circulation to the industry for consultation.

651. The Committee NOTED that the finalised Grid Code proposal will be circulated to the STC Committee.

**Action: Committee Secretary**

### 15. Impact of Other Code Modifications

652. The Committee NOTED the update on the latest developments/topics of discussion from the other codes.
653. The Committee NOTED that CAP143 (Interim TEC) may have consequential implications for the STC. The STC Committee is represented on the CUSC Working Group by Alec Morrison who will provide regular updates to the Committee.

**Action: AM**

654. The Committee NOTED that it was not possible to provide any representation for the first meeting of the CAP141 (Request for Statement of Works) Working Group. The STC Chairperson will contact the CAP141 Working Group Chairperson regarding any possible implications for the STC.

**Action: STC Chairperson**

655. The Committee NOTED that any changes to the CUSC made as a result of CAP141, may have possible consequences for the corresponding STC provisions and the proposed STCP18-4 (Request for Statement of Works).

### 16. Publications

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

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### 17. Any Other Business

#### AOB1

657. The Committee NOTED that JPC may request formal changes to the existing investment planning provisions within the STC and relevant STCPs, in particular the current obligations for Connection Site Specifications and the availability and usage of Construction Planning Assumptions.
658. The Committee NOTED that it was the intention that any formal proposals would be presented at February's STC Committee in accordance with the STC governance arrangements.

#### AOB2

659. The new chair for the STC Committee was confirmed as David McMenemy (SPT), effective from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2007.

### 18. Date of Next Meeting

660. The next meeting of the STC Committee will be held on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2007 at 10am. The location will be determined closer to the actual meeting date.