

## STC Committee Meeting

### Minutes and Actions Arising from Meeting No. 41 Held on 18 December 2007 Various via Teleconference

#### Present:

David McMenemy	Committee Chairman
Bali Virk	Committee Secretary
Bec Thornton	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET) Representative
David Osborne	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
Kenny Stott	Scottish Hydro-Electric Transmission Limited (SHETL) Representative
Diyar Kadar	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative
Dipen Ghadia	Authority Representative
Joe Dunn	SP Transmission Limited (SPT) Representative

#### Apologies:

Layton Jones	National Grid Electricity Transmission Limited (NGET) Representative
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#### 1. Introductions/Apologies for Absence

1076 Apologies of absence were received from Layton Jones.

#### 2. Minutes of Last Meeting

1077 The draft minutes from the STC Committee Meeting held on 20 November 2007 were approved and will be made available from the STC website.

**Action: Committee Secretary**

#### 3. Review of Actions

1078 All the outstanding actions from the previous meetings have been completed or were the subject of agenda items, except for:

- Minute 915 (CAP146 – Responsibilities and liabilities associated with Third Party Works and Modifications made by Modification Affected Users)  
BT informed the STC Committee members that the Authority approved CAP146 on the 12 December 2007. BT to investigate if any implications for STC. Remove as an outstanding action.

**Action: Committee Secretary/NGET**

1079 Alan Michie stated in the past the industry has provided too much evidence in the codes process. AM to provide evidence of this- STC Committee agreed for this not to be followed through as an action, Committee Secretary to remove as an outstanding action.

**Action: Committee Secretary**

1080 Minute 1057 agreement was reached to remove this outstanding action. NGET will progress as appropriate.

1081 Minute 1070 DM reminded all to progress this action and feed back comments by 21 December.

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### 4. New Amendment Proposals

1082 CA029 (Exchange of Data amongst Relevant Parties to enable NGET to fulfil obligations under PC.A.8 of the Grid Code) DK raised concerns regarding the provision of such data between the TO and User at present. It was considered that after speaking to the Design Team in SPT sufficient information was already available to support NGET, as SO, in meeting such requests from a User. SPT would therefore like the opportunity to discuss this potential amendment at the January 2008 JPC meeting, before it is submitted to the STC Committee as an Amendment Proposal. The Proposer agreed to withdraw this Proposal from today's meeting. Comments on the content were requested.

1083 BT to speak to John Zamitt-Haber to raise this at the JPC meeting in January 2008.

**Action: NGET**

1084 The STC Committee agreed for NGET to withdraw CA029 as a proposed amendment until further analysis is carried out.

**Action: Committee Secretary**

1085 Committee Secretary to check the correct governance is applied and follow through any actions relating to this.

**Action: Committee Secretary**

### 5. Working Group Reports

1086 There were no Working Group Reports.

### 6. Proposed Amendment Reports

1087 There were no Proposed Amendment Reports.

### 7. Amendment Reports

1088 The STC Committee noted that CA027 (Miscellaneous Amendments as a Consequential affect of CA025) and CA028 (Amendment to the Governance Framework Timescales) had been sent out to consultation on the 21 November 2007 and closed on the 5 December 2007.

1089 The STC Committee noted that EON UK had responded to the above consultations. EON UK response to CA027 restated their consultation comments for CA025 with some additional comments. EON UK supports the proposed changes in CA028.

1090 BT confirmed that EON UK's comments have been addressed in the Amendment Report, to be submitted to the Authority.

1091 SPT/SHETL to forward any comments on the additional sections included on Amendment Reports for CA027 and CA028 to BT by the close of play on 19 December 2007.

**Action: SPT/SHETL**

1092 The STC Committee agreed for the Amendment Reports for CA027 and CA028 to be sent the Authority for determination on 19 December 2007 once confirmation from SPT and SHETL has been sent to BT.

**Action: NGET**

### 8. Pending Authority Decisions

1093 There were no pending Authority decisions.

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1094 There were no Authority decisions.

### 10. STC Procedures

1095 PA048 – Alignment of STC and STCP16-1 (Obligations regarding obligations in respect of Connection Site Specifications) JD to familiarise himself with progress of PA048 and then forward rewording before the January 2008 STC Committee meeting to BT.

**Action: SPT/NGET**

1096 JD stated that an action was placed on John Zamitt-Haber a few months ago to develop a layman's process regarding PA048. JD to forward details to Committee Secretary.

**Action: SPT/NGET**

1097 PA050 – New STCP15-1 to enable NGET to provide Users with reasonably requested information, the STC Committee agreed to withdraw this as consequence of CA029 withdrawal.

**Action Committee Secretary**

### 11. Black Start Review

1098 DO informed the STC Committee that the Working Group Report had been accepted by the GCRP, and is due to go out industry for consultation in due course.

1099 The STC Chairman thanked DO for his contributions to the Black Start Working Group on behalf of the STC Committee.

### 12. Offshore Transmission

1100 There was some discussion regarding the further work that the Authority had requested NGET to undertake following the submission of the Offshore Working Group Report to the Authority.

1101 KS questioned DG as to whether due process and correct governance procedures had been followed and for SPT and SHETL not to be involved.

1102 DG responded advising the Committee that a public consultation, on all proposed governance changes due to Offshore Transmission, will be taking place. DG also informed the STC Committee a formal Government Department for Business Enterprise and Regulatory Reform response is expected to the Working Groups and the Authority will be producing an information sheet by the end of this week.

1103 DG to clarify to the STC any potential governance changes at the early stage. DG to report back to the STC Committee before or in the January 2008 meeting.

**Action: Authority**

### 13. Impact of other Code Modifications

1104 BT informed the STC Committee that Ofgem have written a pre-consultation letter on the payment mechanism for CAP048, and to be aware that any changes that are implemented in the CUSC will have an impact on section E within the STC and may require a new STCP. The pre-consultation letter has the proposed Licence changes which refer to the STC.

1105 BT requested that nominations for involvement in a conference call, on this subject, to be organised in the second half of January 2008.

**Action: All**

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### 14. Reports from Sub-Committees

- 1106 Charging User Group – due to meet in January 2008  
JPC – due to meet on 23 January 2008  
Safety Standing Group – Update received from DO OC8A and OC8B positive meeting was held and NGET are preparing a draft of combined OC8 reflecting meeting discussions.

### 15. Any Other Business

- 1107 DG informed the STC Committee that the Ofgem Offshore committee were seeking nominations for the Embedded Transmission Working Group. Details of the timescales and Terms of reference can be found on the Ofgem website.
- 1108 DG informed the STC Committee that an “Open Letter” dated 28 November has been released. The Authority asking for industry participants for their views on the effectiveness of the code governance, this covers both gas and electricity industry’s. The “Open Letter” can be found on the Ofgem website.
- 1109 BT informed the STC Committee that the BSC and CUSC Panel will be sending a panel view in response to the “Open Letter”. BT asked the STC Committee if their view was to send joint response to the “Open Letter”. SPT/SHETL /NGET to consult with their Regulatory departments. Members to feed back to the STC Committee Chairman.

**Action: All**

### 16. Publications

- 1110 There has been no new data identified by any of the STC Parties, which should be categorised as confidential.

### 17. Date of Next Meeting

- 1111 The next meeting of the STC Committee will be held on Tuesday, 15 January 2008 at 10am.

**Action: Committee Secretary**